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A Thousand Splendid Suns
Graphic Arts Books
Solène Marchand begins
an impassioned affair with
a member of her
daughter's favorite boy
band.
Christianity NYU Press
John McCabe's
participation in the writing

of James Cagney's
autobiography, the many
years of friendship that
followed, and an intense
period of interview and
discussion in preparation
for a musical comedy
based on Cagney's life--a
show that never saw the
light of day--make him
Cagney's ideal
biographer. And, indeed,
he has written a searching
chronicle of this major
actor's life and career,

packed with history and
anecdote, and profusely
illustrated. Cagney came
from a poor Irish-
American New York family
but once he found his
métier as an actor, it was
not long before he was
recognized as a brilliantly
energetic and powerful
phenomenon. After the
tremendous impact of
Public Enemy--in which he
notoriously pushed half a
grapefruit into Mae

Clarke's face--he was typecast as a gangster because of the terrifying violence that seemed to be pent up within him. Years of pitched battle with Warner Brothers finally liberated him from those roles, and he went on to star in such triumphs as the musicals *Yankee Doodle Dandy* (winning the 1942 Oscar for best actor) and *Love Me or Leave Me*. Even so, one of his greatest later roles involved a return to crime--as the psychopathic killer in the terrifying *White Heat*. He

retired from films in 1961 after making Billy Wilder's *One, Two, Three*, only to return twenty years later for *Ragtime*. But however much Cagney personified violence and explosive energy on the screen, in life he was a quiet, introspective, and deeply private man, a poet, painter, and environmentalist, whose marriage to his early vaudeville partner was famously loyal and happy. His story is one of the few Hollywood biographies that reflect a fulfilled life as well as a spectacular

career.

Twenty Thousand Roads Oxford University Press

A riveting and powerful story of an unforgiving time, an unlikely friendship and an indestructible love [Carceral Fantasies](#) Canongate Books
The Story of One of the Most Remarkable Trials in All History! Sensational trials--the Menendez brothers, the Rodney King case, the Preppie Murder--are not unique to the age of television. The year 1900 saw one of the most

dramatic criminal trials in American history, described by one newspaper at the time as America's most remarkable murder case. When William Marsh Rice, the founder of Rice University, was found dead in the New York City quarters he shared with his only servant, suspicion immediately fell on Albert Patrick, a young lawyer. Rice, whose fortune was pledged to Rice Institute (later Rice University), had, it seemed, been killed by chloroform poisoning and his will

forged to give Patrick his vast estate. Patrick was immediately arrested and, in a spectacular trial, tried for first-degree murder, a crime then punishable by execution. In this combination murder mystery and murder history, Martin Friedland recounts the events leading up to the trial and the case as it played itself out in court. Skillfully guiding the reader through the trial and its outcome, Friedland sheds new light on the events, casting doubt on what, at first glance, seems an

ironclad case. Provocatively illustrated with over 60 photographs that capture the circumstances of the trial and the mood of New York City at the turn of the century, *The Death of Old Man Rice* is not only a gripping tale of murder and intrigue, but a timely window onto many aspects of criminal justice in America. Touching on issues of great contemporary relevance-- such as the influence of the popular press; the purchase of expert witnesses; the problems

of multiple appeals; the inadequacy of penal institutions; and the advantages of wealth--Friedland combines scholarship with suspense in his trademark who done it style. A murder mystery, a historical study, and a fascinating window into the world of forensic science, *The Death of Old Man Rice* is that rare book that can engage any reader.

Crash Out Simon and Schuster

The enthralling and evocative story of tough Depression-era bandits

who vowed to make something of themselves, even if that meant defying the stone walls of America's most infamous prison, by a writer who grew up in Sing Sing's shadow. During an era of never-ending breadlines and corrupt cops, no place churned out budding crooks more efficiently than Hell's Kitchen. Neighborhood loyalties bonded gangs of immigrant sons who were looking for a way out of 1930s New York, and waterfront kids like Whitey Riordan paid the

bills with small-time hustling. But when enterprising crook Patches Waters invited Whitey into the Shopping Bag Gang, Whitey jumped at the big score. Bold black headlines announced the group's string of successful heists, but the gravy train abruptly halted in 1939 when someone squealed and police captured most of the gang. Patches and Whitey were sent up the river to Sing Sing. Westside connections couldn't help much there, in the infamous Hudson

River prison that had housed convicts for more than a century. In Sing Sing the boys had to answer to veteran warden Lewis Lawes, a revolutionary reformer who preferred trust and rehabilitation to old standbys like the lash and the yoke. Progressive indeed, but nothing changed the fact that Whitey and Patches, along with more than 2,800 other men, faced a future of endless days in a cage of limestone, cement, and steel. Perhaps inevitably, their thoughts turned to

escape. A string of well-publicized jailhouse riots and breakouts captured the country's interest in the 1930s, and though prisons kept stepping up security, convicts continued to crash out. When Patches encountered an old cellblock crony who had stumbled upon a way out, he pieced together a daring escape plot involving purloined guns, counterfeit keys, precision timing, a complex network of outside accomplices, and the kind of outsize bravado that

would have made Dillinger proud. Unable to resist the thought of freedom, Whitey signed on. On Easter Sunday 1941, the three embarked upon the most sensational breakout in the prison's history. Leaving four men dead and indelibly staining the reputation of the nation's most famous warden, the Westside boys transcended their wildest dreams, only to find themselves backed to the edge of a wide, dark river. Meticulously researched and beautifully written, Crash

Out is a gritty, page-turning saga that reveals how the career of one resilient hustler can illuminate a sliver of Americana. A riveting account of the boldest escape in Sing Sing history and the gangster culture that birthed the defiant bandits, *Crash Out* is a gripping historical epic set against the fascinating backdrop of Depression-era New York. *Rent* Fordham Univ Press
Ten years of infertility issues culminate in the destruction of music therapist Zoe Baxter's

marriage, after which she falls in love with another woman, Vanessa, and wants to start a family; but her ex-husband, Max, in the grips of an anti-gay pastor, stands in the way. Includes a CD of songs created for the novel. (This title is being re-listed in Forecast). 1.5 million first printing.

The Death of Old Man Rice Vintage
Hiroshima is the story of six people—a clerk, a widowed seamstress, a physician, a Methodist minister, a young surgeon, and a German

Catholic priest—who lived through the greatest single manmade disaster in history. In vivid and indelible prose, Pulitzer Prize-winner John Hersey traces the stories of these half-dozen individuals from 8:15 a.m. on August 6, 1945, when Hiroshima was destroyed by the first atomic bomb ever dropped on a city, through the hours and days that followed. Almost four decades after the original publication of this celebrated book, Hersey went back to Hiroshima in search of the people

whose stories he had told, and his account of what he discovered is now the eloquent and moving final chapter of Hiroshima. Twenty Thousand Years in Sing Sing Oxford University Press From the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Looming Tower*, and the pandemic novel *The End of October*: an unprecedented, momentous account of Covid-19—its origins, its wide-ranging repercussions, and the ongoing global fight to contain it "A book of

panoramic breadth ... managing to surprise us about even those episodes we ... thought we knew well ... [With] lively exchanges about spike proteins and nonpharmaceutical interventions and disease waves, Wright's storytelling dexterity makes all this come alive." —The New York Times Book Review From the fateful first moments of the outbreak in China to the storming of the U.S. Capitol to the extraordinary vaccine rollout, Lawrence Wright's

The Plague Year tells the story of Covid-19 in authoritative, galvanizing detail and with the full drama of events on both a global and intimate scale, illuminating the medical, economic, political, and social ramifications of the pandemic. Wright takes us inside the CDC, where a first round of faulty test kits lost America precious time . . . inside the halls of the White House, where Deputy National Security Adviser Matthew Pottinger's early alarm about the virus was met with confounding and

drastically costly skepticism . . . into a Covid ward in a Charlottesville hospital, with an idealistic young woman doctor from the town of Little Africa, South Carolina . . . into the precincts of prediction specialists at Goldman Sachs . . . into Broadway's darkened theaters and Austin's struggling music venues . . . inside the human body, diving deep into the science of how the virus and vaccines function—with an eye-opening detour into the history of vaccination and

of the modern anti-vaccination movement. And in this full accounting, Wright makes clear that the medical professionals around the country who've risked their lives to fight the virus reveal and embody an America in all its vulnerability, courage, and potential. In turns steely-eyed, sympathetic, infuriated, unexpectedly comical, and always precise, Lawrence Wright is a formidable guide, slicing through the dense fog of misinformation to give us a 360-degree portrait of

the catastrophe we thought we knew.

Sing You Home Chicago Review Press

Recounts the story of Lewis E. Lawes, who in 1919 moved his family into the warden's mansion at Sing Sing prison in the belief that the inmates deserved respect and trust, an opinion that led to his organization of the prison's legendary football games. Reprint. 20,000 first printing.

Sing Sing Lulu.com

An intimate biography as well as an epic history, Monk Eastman vividly

recounts the life and times of old New York's most infamous gangster-cum-soldier as he made his way from the sooty streets and dingy saloons of the Lower East Side to the battlefields of the Western Front. Born in 1873 to a respectable New York family, Monk was running wild in Manhattan's rough Lower East Side by the age of eighteen. He found work as a bouncer—when the saloon owner first turned him down because he had two bouncers already, Monk beat them both up

and was promptly hired in their place. He soon developed a loyal following of immigrant toughs, and by 1900, he was the most feared gang leader in lower Manhattan, protected by corrupt politicians and crooked cops, and commanding an army of two thousand pickpockets, thieves, prostitutes, and thugs. But changing neighborhood demographics and shifting political fortunes colluded against Monk: after a pitched battle with

Pinkerton detectives, he was sent to Sing Sing on a ten-year sentence, and his territory quickly slipped from his grasp. In 1917, no longer safe from the law—or from rival gangs—Monk joined the New York National Guard. As a gangster, he'd been the equivalent of a general; as an enlisted man, Monk was just another private. After several months of combat training, Monk's division of Brooklyn recruits was thrown headlong into the bitter trench warfare in Europe. His experience in

gangland combat served him well: he was repeatedly cited by his superiors for his bravery and he received a hero's welcome back in New York and an official pardon from the governor. But Monk's gangland past was not so easily erased and caught up with him in the end. In Neil Hanson's able hands, Monk's unique and compelling story becomes an emblem of a time of upheaval—for New York and for the nation. From the Hardcover edition. [Sing a Pretty Song--](#) Columbia University Press

In a stinging dissent to a 1961 Supreme Court decision that allowed the Illinois state bar to deny admission to prospective lawyers if they refused to answer political questions, Justice Hugo Black closed with the memorable line, "We must not be afraid to be free." Black saw the First Amendment as the foundation of American freedom - the guarantor of all other Constitutional rights. Yet since free speech is by nature unruly, people fear it. Consequently, the impulse to curb or limit it

has been a constant danger throughout American history. In *We Must Not Be Afraid to Be Free*, two of America's leading free speech scholar-activists, Ron Collins and Sam Chaltain, provide an authoritative history of free speech in modern America. Each chapter is an engaging narrative account of a landmark First Amendment case that foregrounds the colorful people involved-judges, plaintiffs, attorneys, defendants-and the issue at stake. Cumulatively,

the chapters provide a definitive account of how the First Amendment evolved over the course of a century. Tracing the development of free speech rights from a more restrictive era—the early twentieth century—through the Warren Court revolution of the 1960s and up to the current post 9/11 era of heightened security concerns, Collins and Chaltain not only cover the history of an ideal, but explain in accessible language how the law surrounding the ideal transformed.

Essential for anyone interested in this most essential of rights, *We Must Not Be Afraid to Be Free* will be a standard work on free speech for years to come.

The Confidence Men

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NATIONAL BESTSELLER •
The Great Escape for the Great War: the astonishing true story of two World War I prisoners who pulled off one of the most ingenious escapes of all time. FINALIST FOR THE EDGAR® AWARD • ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR: The

Washington Post, NPR • “Fox unspools Jones and Hill’s delightfully elaborate scheme in nail-biting episodes that advance like a narrative Rube Goldberg machine.”—The New York Times Book Review
Imprisoned in a remote Turkish POW camp during World War I, having survived a two-month forced march and a terrifying shootout in the desert, two British officers, Harry Jones and Cedric Hill, join forces to bamboozle their iron-fisted captors. To stave

off despair and boredom, Jones takes a handmade Ouija board and fakes elaborate séances for his fellow prisoners. Word gets around, and one day an Ottoman official approaches Jones with a query: Could Jones contact the spirit world to find a vast treasure rumored to be buried nearby? Jones, a trained lawyer, and Hill, a brilliant magician, use the Ouija board—and their keen understanding of the psychology of deception—to build a trap for their captors that will

ultimately lead them to freedom. A gripping nonfiction thriller, *The Confidence Men* is the story of one of the only known con games played for a good cause—and of a profound but unlikely friendship. Had it not been for “the Great War,” Jones, the Oxford-educated son of a British lord, and Hill, a mechanic on an Australian sheep ranch, would never have met. But in pain, loneliness, hunger, and isolation, they formed a powerful emotional and intellectual alliance that

saved both of their lives. Margalit Fox brings her “nose for interesting facts, the ability to construct a taut narrative arc, and a Dickens-level gift for concisely conveying personality” (Kathryn Schulz, *New York*) to this tale of psychological strategy that is rife with cunning, danger, and moments of high farce that rival anything in *Catch-22*.

Twenty thousand years in Sing Sing *New York Review of Books*
 ...an excellent history for anyone interested in the

history of prisons and prison reform in America.- Publishers Weekly America's most notorious prison is also America's most mysterious. Denis Brian's book figuratively opens the gates of Sing Sing and permits readers to learn the tales locked inside the confines of this famous prison and meet the remarkable array of inhabitants, keepers, and luminaries connected with its two-century history.- James McGrath Morris, author of *The Rose Man of Sing Sing* and *Jailhouse*

Journalism Provides a penetrating, unforgettable look into the horrors as well as the acts of kindness and generosity that make the true story of Sing Sing so compelling.- Sister Helen Prejean, author of *Dead Man Walking* It is impossible to read this book and still be in favor of capital punishment.- Frederik Osborne, Grandson of Sing Sing Warden Thomas Mott Osborne, and President of the Osborne Association, which works to improve the criminal justice

system. On May 14, 1825, one hundred mute, dispirited convict-laborers disembarked from steamers at Mount Pleasant, New York. They had been transported in chains nearly three hundred miles from Auburn Prison in upstate New York for the purpose of constructing a new maximum-security prison near a village on the Hudson. Wielding pick axes and shovels, they worked under brutal supervision for five years, building the grim structure out of the rock

underfoot, rusty scrap iron, and granite from a local quarry. Overseeing their slave labor was the sadistic Elam Lynds, formerly the warden in Auburn and soon to be the first master of Sing Sing prison. So begins Denis Brian's gripping history of one of America's most notorious prisons. For most of the 19th century Sing Sing was a bastion of inhumane treatment, where guards made every effort to break the spirit of inmates by a fanatic rule of silence enforced by

shockingly brutal punishments and tortures—floggings with metal-tipped whips, the Chinese water cure, the Cage, the Crucifix, the Ball and Chain, and more. In 1891, Sing Sing witnessed its first electrocution, which was reportedly a terrible fiasco. This was followed by 613 additional electrocutions of both men and women. In addition, we learn that electricity genius Thomas Edison was a great proponent of this method. Based on extensive research with

original sources, Brian's narrative covers every period of the prison's checkered history, from the awful conditions of the 19th century to the relative improvements of the 20th century to today. In 1920, a dramatic turnaround occurred, when one of criminology's most progressive wardens, Lewis Lawes, took over. In command for twenty-one years, Lawes—who believed in reforming prisoners, not just punishing them—brought almost miraculous changes for the

better. During the 20th century Sing Sing held such infamous prisoners as members of Murder Incorporated, the Lonely Hearts Killers, Albert the cannibal Fish, Lucky Luciano, Louis Lepke, and Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. Brian recounts their stories and throws in cameos of such diverse visiting luminaries as Harry Houdini, Arthur Conan Doyle, Johnny Cash, John Cheever, and Mother Teresa. Sing Sing has witnessed it all: from daring, ingenious escapes and the first blood

donations by prisoners to inmates volunteering to be injected with syphilis in the interest of medical science. Brian's story ends with a glimpse of Sing Sing in the recent past and today, based on his interviews with the present warden, Brian Fischer; prison guards; a prison psychiatrist; and the daughter of Sing Sing's last executioner. A must for fans of true crime, criminology, and urban American history, Brian's powerfully told story is both a dramatic page-turner and a

definitive history. Denis Brian is the widely acclaimed author of *Einstein: A Life*, *Genius Talk*, and *The True Gen: An Intimate Portrait of Hemingway by Those Who Knew Him*, among other works.

The Secret of the Island Penguin

In the early days of radio, producers, directors and scriptwriters were well aware of the listening public's fascination with subject matter tinged with wrongdoing. Stories of right and wrong, crime and punishment, and law

and order kept audiences of every age hooked for more than thirty years. This work covers 300+ syndicated radio mystery and adventure serials that aired in the early or middle twentieth century. To be included, a series must have had one or more regularly appearing characters who fought against espionage, theft, murder and other crimes. Each entry includes series name, air dates, sponsor, extant episodes, cast information and synopsis. Hiroshima Hal Leonard Corporation

(Applause Libretto Library). Finally, an authorized libretto to this modern day classic! Rent won the 1996 Pulitzer Prize for Drama, as well as four Tony Awards, including Best Musical, Best Book, and Best Score for Jonathan Larson. The story of Mark, Roger, Maureen, Tom Collins, Angel, Mimi, JoAnne, and their friends on the Lower East Side of New York City will live on, along with the affirmation that there is "no day but today." Includes 16 color photographs of

productions of Rent from around the world, plus an introduction ("Rent Is Real") by Victoria Leacock Hoffman.

Newjack Crown

The term Old Time Radio refers to the relatively brief period from 1926, when the National Broadcasting Company first began network broadcasting, until approximately 1960, when television became the dominant communication medium in the United States. During this time, radio was as popular and

ubiquitous as television is today. It was amazingly varied in the types of programming it offered; many characters and programs were so popular that virtually everyone was familiar with them. Even today, recorded versions of these programs are still extremely popular and widely available, both from commercial outlets and from hobbyists. Behind the production of these programs was a complex technological and financial infrastructure that had to

be developed virtually from scratch in a world unaccustomed to the rapid communication and technological marvels that we take for granted today. The A to Z of Old Time Radio provides essential facts and information on the Golden Age of Radio. This is accomplished through the use of a chronology, an introductory essay, a bibliography, and hundreds of cross-referenced dictionary entries on the radio networks, programs, directors, producers,

writers, actors, radio series, and radio stations. Entries on your favorite shows-The Lone Ranger, The Shadow, Dragnet, and Suspense-and actors-Bob Hope, George Burns, Gracie Allen, and Edgar Bergen-will have you jumping from one entry to the next as you relive old favorites and discover hidden treasures from the Golden Age of Radio. **On the Air** Knopf A groundbreaking contribution to the study of nontheatrical film exhibition, *Carceral Fantasies* tells the little-

known story of how cinema found a home in the U.S. penitentiary system and how the prison emerged as a setting and narrative trope in modern cinema. Focusing on films shown in prisons before 1935, Alison Griffiths explores the unique experience of viewing cinema while incarcerated and the complex cultural roots of cinematic renderings of prison life. Griffiths considers a diverse mix of cinematic genres, from early actualities and reenactments of notorious

executions to reformist exposés of the 1920s. She connects an early fascination with cinematic images of punishment and execution, especially electrocutions, to the attractions of the nineteenth-century carnival electrical wonder show and Phantasmagoria (a ghost show using magic lantern projections and special effects). Griffiths draws upon convict writing, prison annual reports, and the popular press obsession with prison-house cinema to document the

integration of film into existing reformist and educational activities and film's psychic extension of flights of fancy undertaken by inmates in their cells. Combining penal history with visual and film studies and theories surrounding media's sensual effects, *Carceral Fantasies* illuminates how filmic representations of the penal system enacted ideas about modernity, gender, the body, and the public, shaping both the social experience of cinema and the public's

understanding of the modern prison.

The Worldwide Guide to Movie Locations

McFarland

Broadway and TV star Edie Adams remembers life before and after Ernie Kovacs, whose untimely death cut short their marriage and the groundbreaking comedic collaborations they created

When Texas Prison Scams

Religion Arcadia

Publishing

120 movies are detailed in this 8th book in the "Hollywood Classics" series. The movies range from marvels of special effects like "King Kong" to the first sound-on-disc feature, "Don Juan".

Charismatic film stars like Humphrey Bogart, Jeanette MacDonald, Bing Crosby, Deanna Durbin, John Wayne, Errol Flynn, Eddie Cantor, Lana Turner, Alan Ladd, Elizabeth Taylor, Barbara

Stanwyck, Kay Francis, John Garfield, Jane Powell and Roy Rogers enlivened many of these classic films.

Revelation Diana Vendera

A comprehensive reference of the radio shows of the 1930s, 1940s, and 1950s has entries arranged in alphabetical order and includes each show's history, timeslot, network, advertisers, cast members, and much more. UP.