April Indie Playlist

Special promotions from Indie Publishers. Plus a $500 display contest prize!

Quick Reads

see also this month’s “Prize-Winning” promo!

**The Days of Abandonment**
Elena Ferrante, translated by Ann Goldstein

The gripping story of a woman’s descent into devastating emptiness after being abandoned by her husband with two young children to care for. When she finds herself literally trapped within the four walls of their high-rise apartment, she is forced to confront her ghosts, the potential loss of her own identity, and the possibility that life may never return to normal.
Europa Editions 9781933372006 $15.00 Contact your PGW/Ingram representative

**Margaret the First**
A novel by Danielle Dutton

*Margaret the First* dramatizes the life of Margaret Cavendish, the shy, gifted, and wildly unconventional 17th-century Duchess. The eccentric Margaret wrote and published volumes of poems, philosophy, feminist plays, and utopian science fiction at a time when “being a writer” was not an option open to women. Written with lucid precision and sharp cuts through narrative time, it is a gorgeous and wholly new approach to imagining the life of a historical woman.
Catapult 9781936787357 $15.95 Contact your PGW/Ingram representative

**Abolition Democracy: Beyond Empire, Prisons, and Torture**
Angela Davis

Within the context of revelations about U.S policies and practices of torture and abuse since the breaking of the Abu Ghraib prison story in 2004, Angela Davis, one of America’s most remarkable political figures, gave a series of interviews to discuss resistance and law, institutional sexual coercion, politics and prison.
Seven Stories Press 9781583226957 $12.95 Contact your Penguin Random House representative Promo Code = RHP024 Reason Code = EDI

**A Clash of Civilizations Over an Elevator in Piazza Vittorio**
Amara Lakhouse, translated by Ann Goldstein

A small culturally mixed community living in an apartment building in the center of Rome is thrown into dissaray when one of the tenants is murdered. As each of the victim’s neighbors is questioned by the police, readers are offered an all-access pass into the most colorful neighborhood in contemporary Rome.
Europa Editions 9781933372617 $14.95 Contact your PGW/Ingram representative
The Truth Has Changed
Josh Fox

The rules have changed. The water has changed. The climate has changed. The truth has changed. We must change. In The Truth Has Changed, Josh Fox turns the rapid-fire shocks that are remaking the very fabric of our lives—writing as a first responder, a reporter, a documentarian, and an activist—into art, literature, and at least one answer to the question of what the future holds.

Seven Stories Press  9781609809232  $16.95  Contact your Penguin Random House representative  Promo Code = RHP24  Reason Code = EDI

A Loving, Faithful Animal
A novel by Josephine Rowe

Set in in a small town in southeast Australia, A Loving, Faithful Animal is an incandescent portrait of one family searching for what may yet be redeemable from the ruins of war. Tender, brutal, and heart-stopping in its beauty, this novel marks the arrival in the United States of Josephine Rowe, the winner of the 2016 Elizabeth Jolley Prize and one of Australia's most extraordinary young writers.

Catapult  9781936787579  $16.95  Contact your PGW/Ingram representative

Trick
Domenico Starnone, translated by Jhumpa Lahiri

Longlisted for the 2019 Pen Translation Prize

Starnone's sharp, succinct story unfolds within the four walls (and the balcony!) of an apartment full of ghosts, where the rage of an aging man meets optimism incarnate in the shape of a four-year-old child.

Europa Editions  9781609454449  $16.00  Contact your PGW/Ingram representative

Hello Cruel World: 101 Alternatives to Suicide for Teens, Freaks, and Other Outlaws
Kate Bornstein

Hello, Cruel World features a catalog of 101 alternatives to suicide that range from the playful (moisturize!), to the irreverent (shatter some family values), to the highly controversial. Designed to encourage readers to give themselves permission to unleash their hearts’ harmless desires, the book has only one directive: “Don’t be mean.” It is this guiding principle that brings its reader on a self-validating journey, which forges wholly new paths toward a resounding decision to choose life.

Seven Stories Press  9781609802747  $9.95  Contact your Penguin Random House representative  Promo Code = RHP24  Reason Code = EDI

Insomnia
Marina Benjamin

“An insomniac’s ideal sleep aid—and that’s a compliment. With her collage of ruminations about sleeplessness, [Benjamin] promises no real cure . . . Her slim book is what the doctor ordered.”

—The Atlantic

Marina Benjamin takes on her personal experience of the condition—her struggles with it, her insomniac highs, and her dawning awareness that states of sleeplessness grant us valuable insights into the workings of our unconscious minds.

Catapult  9781948226659  $8.95  Contact your PGW/Ingram representative

Promotion runs from March 28th through April 29th. The publishers are offering a $500 prize ($250 to the individual bookseller and $250 to the bookstore) for the best display using the books from one of our April Indie Playlist promotions, “Quick Reads” or “Prize-Winning.” The display contest is open to all bookstores nationally and must include some of the featured titles, but may include other books as well. Submit a photograph of the display to NAIBAeileen@gmail.com by May 6th, 2019. A panel of judges from NAIBA & 7 Stories Press will select from the submissions, and will award the prize based on inventiveness and selling effectiveness.