

# June Indie Playlist

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



## DYSTOPIA! (?)



### LoveStar: A Novel

ANDRI SNÆR MAGNASON, Translated by VICTORIA CRIBB  
2013 Philip K. Dick Award Special Citation of Excellence

Steeped in influences ranging from Italo Calvino and Jorge Luis Borges, Kurt Vonnegut and Monty Python, Magnason has created a surreal yet uncomfortably familiar world, where the honey embrace of love does its utmost to survive amid relentless and overpowering controls. Ed Park calls it “a lushly imagined future that reminded me of Vonnegut and Brautigan.”

“His satire and insightful social commentary sweeten the pot and the sheer wackiness of Magnason’s oversized imagination is invigorating.”—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

Seven Stories Press | 9781609804268 | \$16.95 | PB | Contact your Penguin Random House Representative | Promo Code = RHP058 Reason Code = E15

### The Natural Way of Things

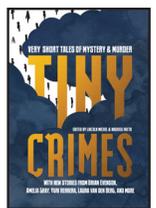
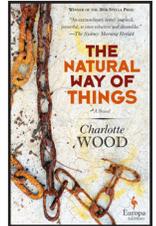
CHARLOTTE WOOD

Winner: 2016 Stella Prize, 2016 Prime Minister’s Literary Award in Fiction, An Australian Indie Best Fiction Book & Overall Book of the Year Winner

Finalist: 2017 International Dublin Literary Award, 2016 Voss Literary Prize, 2016 Victorian Premier’s Award, 2016 The Miles Franklin Award

“A *Handmaid’s Tale* for the 21st century” (*Prism Magazine*), Wood’s dystopian tale about a group of young women held prisoner in the Australian desert is a prescient feminist fable for our times. As the *Guardian* writes, “contemporary feminism may have found its masterpiece of horror.”

Europa Editions | 9781609453626 | \$17.00 | PB | Contact your PGW/Ingram representative | Promo Code: IN01



### Tiny Crimes

Edited by LINCOLN MICHEL and NADXIELI NIETO

Forty very short stories that reimagine the genre of crime writing from some of today’s most imaginative and thrilling writers, including Amelia Gray, Brian Evenson, Elizabeth Hand, Carmen Maria Machado, Benjamin Percy, Laura van den Berg and more.

Catapult | 9781936787876 | \$15.95 | PB | Contact your PGW/Ingram representative | Promo Code: IN01

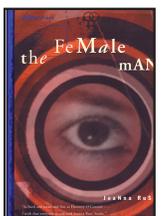
### The End We Start From

MEGAN HUNTER

From a daring new talent, Megan Hunter, *The End We Start From* is a “beautifully spare, haunting meditation” (Emily St. John Mandel) on young motherhood, exile, and love in the midst of an all too likely environmental catastrophe.

“Luminous and sparse, heartbreaking yet hopeful, *The End We Start From* is a lyrical rumination on environment, normalcy in the midst of crisis, new motherhood, unavoidable endings, and tentative beginnings. A slim and stunning debut whose echoes will be thunderous.”—Rebecca Speas, *One More Page*, Arlington, VA

Grove Atlantic | 9780802128591 | \$14.00 | PB | Contact your PGW/Ingram representative | Promo Code: IN01

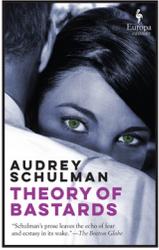


### The Female Man

JOANNA RUSS

Living in an altered past that never saw the end of the Great Depression, Jeannine, a librarian, is waiting to be married. Joanna lives in a different version of reality: she’s a 1970s feminist trying to succeed in a man’s world. Janet is from Whileaway, a utopian earth where only women exist. And Jael is a warrior with steel teeth and catlike retractable claws, from an earth with separate—and warring—female and male societies. When these four women meet, the results are startling, outrageous, and subversive.

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## Theory of Bastards

AUDREY SCHULMAN

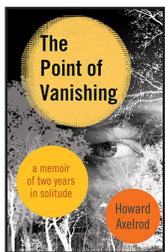
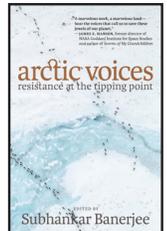
One of *The Washington Post's* 50 Notable Works of fiction in 2018

Dr. Francine Burk is offered a placement at a prestigious research institute where she can put to good use her recent award money to study bonobos. Frankie comes to know the bonobos and to further develop her groundbreaking theory with the help of her research partner, a man with a complicated past and perhaps a place in her future. And then something changes everything, and the lines that divide them between subject and scientist, between colleague and companion begin to blur. Audrey Schulman's newest novel explores the nuances of communication, the implications of unquestioned technological advancement, and the enduring power of love in a way that is essential and urgent in today's world. Europa Editions | 9781609454371 | \$18.00 | PB | Contact your PGW/Ingram representative | Promo Code: IN01

## Arctic Voices: Resistance at the Tipping Point

SUBHANKAR BANERJEE

World-renowned photographer, writer, and activist Subhankar Banerjee brings together first-person narratives from more than thirty prominent activists, writers, and researchers who address issues of climate change, resource war, and human rights with stunning urgency and groundbreaking research. "In this impassioned book, Banerjee shows a situation so serious that it has created a movement, where 'voices of resistance are gathering, are getting louder and louder.'" —Ian Frazier, *The New York Review of Books* Seven Stories Press | 9781609804961 | \$23.95 | PB | Contact your Penguin Random House Representative | Promo Code = RHP058 Reason Code = E15



## The Point of Vanishing: A Memoir of Two Years in Solitude

HOWARD AXELROD

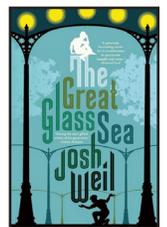
On a clear May afternoon at the end of his junior year at Harvard, Howard Axelrod played a pick-up game of basketball. In a skirmish for a loose ball, a boy's finger hooked behind Axelrod's eyeball and left him permanently blinded in his right eye. A week after the accident, he returned to a world he could no longer recognize. Desperate to find meaning in his new life, he retreated to a jerry-rigged house in the Vermont woods, where he lived without a computer, television, and human contact for two years. Away from society and its infinite pressures, Axelrod embarked on a journey through the metamorphosis of identity. Beacon Press | 9780807075463 | \$16.00 | PB | Contact your Penguin Random House Representative | Promo Code = RHP058 Reason Code = E15

## Great Glass Sea

JOSH WEIL

From celebrated storyteller Josh Weil comes a sui generis epic swathed in all the magic of Russian folklore and set against the dystopian backdrop of an all too real alternate present. A breathtakingly ambitious novel of love, loss, and light, set amid a bold vision of an alternative present-day Russia. "Josh Weil's *The Great Glass Sea* is the most unexpected second book by a writer of note to appear in years. ... A grand fable...an absorbing and touching tale...Few young writers appreciate landscape, the way it shapes and diminishes people who live off it, quite like Weil...an engrossing story of brotherly division." —John Freeman, *The Boston Globe*

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## A Girl in Exile

ISMAIL KADARE

*A Girl in Exile* is a stunning, deeply affecting portrait of life and love under surveillance, infused with myth, wry humor, and the absurdity of a paranoid regime.

Catapult | 9781640091634 | \$16.95 | PB | Contact your PGW/Ingram representative | Promo Code: IN01

Promotion runs from June 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>. 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 June Indie Playlist promotions, "Dystopia! (?)" or "Summer Reads." The display contest is open to all bookstores nationally and may include some of the featured titles, but may include other books as well. Submit a photograph of the display to NAI-BAeileen@gmail.com by July 5<sup>th</sup>, 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.