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FICTION

Title: **THE CAVE DWELLERS**
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Agent: Peter McGuigan

Author: *Christina McDowell*
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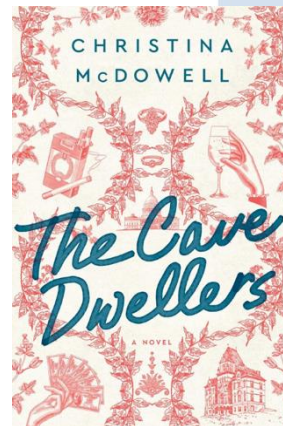
About the Book

Their aristocratic bloodlines are woven into the very fabric of Washington—generation after generation. Their old money and manner lurk through the cobblestone streets of Georgetown, and Capitol Hill. They only socialize within their inner circle, turning a blind eye to those who come and go on the political merry-go-round, living life free of consequences in a gilded existence of power and privilege. But what they have failed to understand is that the world is changing. And when the family of one of their own is held hostage and brutally murdered, everything about their legacy is called into question.

THE CAVE DWELLERS is a compulsively readable novel, *The Bonfire of the Vanities* meets *Less Than Zero* set in the bedrooms and boardrooms of the Beltway.

About the Author

Christina McDowell is the author of the critically acclaimed book, *After Perfect: A Daughter's Memoir*. The film rights were sold to Valparaiso Pictures in 2018. Her work has appeared in *The Washington Post*, *The New York Times*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *The Huffington Post*, *The Guardian*, *O (Oprah) Magazine*, *People Magazine*, *The Village Voice*, *LA Weekly* and more.



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NON-FICTION

Title: **OBSESSIVE NATURE: *The Extraordinary Story and Mysterious End of Two Explorers Who Discovered the World and Ourselves Through Plants***

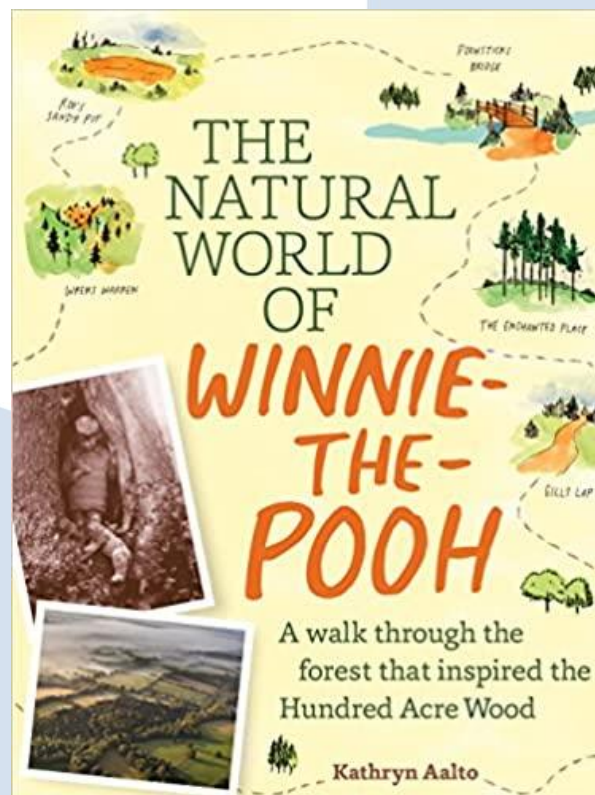
Author: *Kathryn Aalto*
Publisher: On submission
Agent: Peter McGuigan

About the Book

New York Times Bestselling author Kathryn Aalto traces the extraordinary lives and mysterious end of two explorers divided only by time: Scotsman David Douglas, who'd risen from local landscaper to one of the most celebrated botanists in the world, found dead in a pit in 1834 Hawaii under unsolved circumstances; and Marc Salak, an American artist-palaeontologist, a genius more interested in plants than people who collected poisonous florae for fun, never once had an email address, and – at thirty five, the same age as Douglas 150 years before – vanished in a crocodile-infested river in Namibia. Through years of research, interviews, and investigation, and beside Aalto's own personal travel narratives as she follows in their footsteps, we journey beside two who searched the wildest corners of the world for new life *and* an existence far from a society they both scorned and dreaded. **OBSESSIVE NATURE** is part adventure story, part murder mystery, and a chronicle of how plants – and the quest for “new” species – shaped our world politics, science, and identity.

About the Author

Kathryn Aalto is a writer, historian, teacher, and landscape designer focused on the natural world. Kathryn is the author of three books including *The New York Times* bestseller, *The Natural World of Winnie-the-Pooh: A Walk Through the Forest that Inspired the Hundred Acre Wood* (2015) and *Nature and Human Intervention* (2011). Her third book is *Writing Wild: Women Poets, Ramblers, and Mavericks Women Who Shape How We See the Natural World* (Timber Press, June 2020). Her essays have appeared in *Smithsonian Magazine*, *Outside*, *Sierra*, and more. She has Masters degrees in both Garden History and Creative Nonfiction and a Bachelors in English from Berkeley. She is a graduate of the London College of Garden Design.



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Title: **BIG KIBBLE: The Hidden Dangers of the Pet Food Industry**
Publisher: St. Martin's Press
Rights: British and translation
Agent: Kirsten Neuhaus

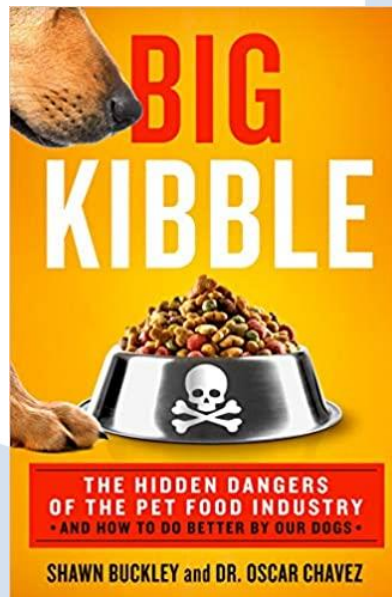
Author: *Shawn Buckley and Dr. Oscar Chavez*
US Editor: Daniela Rapp
Delivered
Pub date: December 2020

About the Book

Big Kibble is big business: \$75 billion globally. A handful of multi-national corporations dominate the industry and together own as many as 80% of all brands. This comes as a surprise to most people, but what's even more shocking is how lax the regulations and guidelines are around these products. The guidelines—or lack thereof—for pet food allow producers to include ever-cheaper ingredients, and create ever-larger earnings. For example, “legal” ingredients in kibble include poultry feces, saw dust, expired food, and diseased meat, among other horrors. Many vets still don't know that kibble is not the best food for dogs because Big Kibble funds the nutrition research. So far, these corporations have been able to cut corners and still market and promote feed-grade food as if it were healthful and beneficial—until now.

About the Author

Entrepreneur and founder Shawn Buckley and veterinarian and professor in clinical pet nutrition Dr. Oscar Chavez are disrupters in the dog food industry, and invented a category of dog food made with only USDA/human grade ingredients, fit for human consumption.



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Title: **POWERSHIFT**: *Transform Any Situation, Close Any Deal, and Achieve Any Outcome*

Publisher: Crown/Penguin Random House
Rights: British and translation
Agent: Kirsten Neuhaus

Author: *Daymond John*

US Editor: Talia Krohn
Delivery date:
Pub date: March 2020

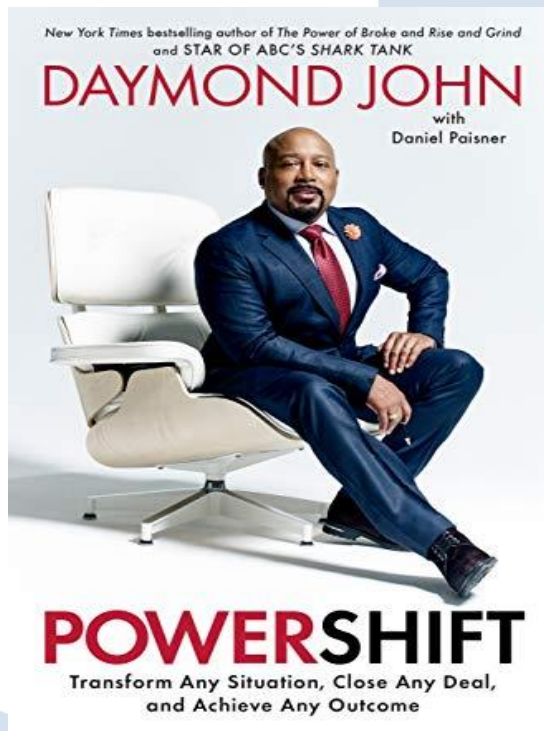
About the Book

Borrowing from the structure and success of Daymond John's previous *New York Times* best-sellers *The Power of Broke* and *Rise and Grind*, **POWERSHIFT** will explore how everyone from business executives to moms can capture their desires and achieve their goals. It looks to engage readers with a winning combination of insights and strategies from the author's own life and career and the hard-won experiences of celebrated artists, athletes, innovators, influencers, and thought-leaders. Through never-before-told stories from his life and career, Daymond shares the lessons that got him to where he is today. Whether you're working to turn your big idea into a reality, looking to land a major promotion, or trying to find more time to focus on what's really important to you, Daymond shows you how to shift your power and energy towards positive change.

About the Author

Daymond John is the founder and CEO of FUBU, a celebrated global lifestyle brand with more than \$6 billion in sales, and one of the world's leading consultants on brand and marketing strategies. He has a regular role on the hit television series *Shark Tank* and was appointed by President Obama to serve as a Presidential Ambassador for Global Entrepreneurship.

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Title: **THE GIRLS IN THE IRONWOOD TREE**

Publisher: Little, Brown

Rights: British and translation

Agent: Peter McGuigan

Author: *Nice Leng'ete* with *Beth Butler-Witter*

US Editor: Judy Clain

Delivery date:

Pub date: Fall 2021

About the Book

Born in Kenya, Nice Leng'ete saw the young girls of her remote village receive “the cut,” the female circumcision which is the rite of passage into female adulthood in Masai culture. No girl was spared the cut, and afterwards, you'd be married off to a man triple your age. To resist the cut meant becoming an outcast, but at the age of 21, Nice rebelled against tradition and moved to Nairobi. There she began to work for Amref Health Africa, an organization spearheading the fight against female mutilation. This is her story of standing up for herself, and for the generations of girls to come, inspiring them to carve their own paths even in the face of adversity.

About the Author

Official spokesperson for Amref Health Africa and one of Time Magazine's 100 Most Influential People (2018), Nice Leng'ete is now a major leader in the campaign to end FGM globally. Her resistance to this practice led to the slow abolition of the cut: Kenya outlawed the cut in 2011, and the Masai people abandoned it in 2014. She continues to fight for change.



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Title: **MY LIFE WITH DAVID**

Publisher: On Submission

Rights:

Agent: Peter McGuigan

Author: *Claudia Lennear*

US Editor:

Delivery date:

Pub date:

About the Book

Claudia Lennear, the most important backup singer of the 1970s and the legendary inspiration for the Rolling Stones' classic hit "Brown Sugar," paints a romantic portrait of her decade-long relationship with David Bowie at the height of his early career. Lennear shares this never-before told story of music, companionship, and young love against the glittering backdrop of 1970s Los Angeles. The two eventually parted ways, but the story doesn't end there. After 35 years apart, Bowie and Lennear reconnected in their sixties, and enjoyed a renewed friendship during the last three years of his life... the kind of friendship only possible between two people who shared something special long ago. A heartwarming, heartbreaking story of respect and easy affection that shows why Bowie should be adored for his kindness and sense of humor, and not just for his genius.

About the Author

Singer Claudia Lennear was so sexy and soulful, Tina Turner threw her out of the Ikettes in a fit of jealousy. Claudia quickly rebounded with The Rolling Stones, becoming Mick Jagger's muse, and forged a life-long friendship with the band. Her relationships on- and off-stage are legendary, and she even became a professor of French literature. Claudia was also featured in the documentary "20 Feet From Stardom." She lives in Los Angeles.



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Title: **LEAD FROM THE CORE: Free Yourself from Limiting Patterns and Unlock the Power of the Enneagram**
Publisher: St. Martin's Essentials
Rights: British and translation
Agent: Kirsten Neuhaus

Author: *Jim McPartlin with Anna Akbari*

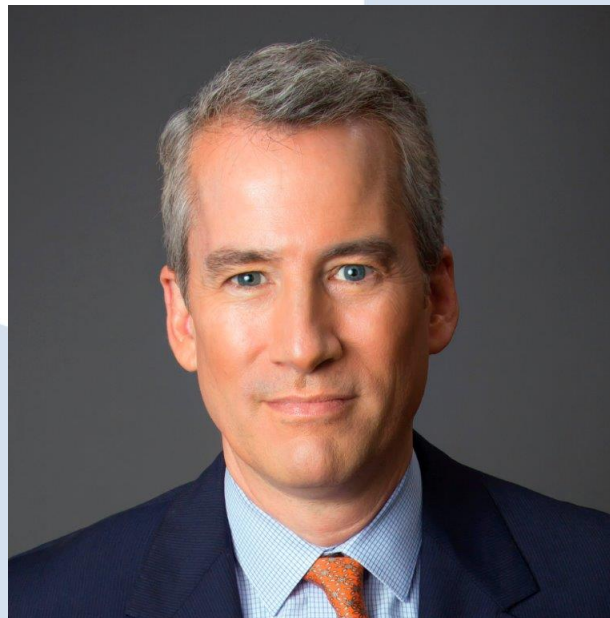
US Editor: Joel Fontinos
Delivery date: Manuscript delivered
Pub date: Summer 2021

About the Book

After a hugely successful career working for the top names in hospitality, André Balazs, Ian Schrager, etc, Jim was hired by *Forbes* to lead workshops for those restaurants/hotels/spas around the world looking to receive the Forbes 5-Star Rating. Along the way, he created a leadership curriculum which became so popular that companies were hiring him just to come and teach it. Through his extensive network of contacts, the popularity of the curriculum extended beyond hospitality and he started a consultancy company as well, teaching the same curriculum to individuals and companies as diverse as XL Construction (they do about \$800M a year in sales) and Chanel. The book will show readers how to tap into their own leadership strengths through self-awareness, which he teaches using the Enneagram (of which he is a 20 year board certified expert). Each chapter will tackle challenges that are common whether you are the CEO of a startup, manager of a team or even just starting out, such as conflict, collaboration and public speaking.

About the Author

Jim McPartlin has enjoyed a highly-distinguished career working with some of the most luxurious brands in the hospitality industry. From Walt Disney World to Kimpton Hotels, Marriott, and the landmark Gramercy Park Hotel in New York City, he is a master in his field. In his current position, he travels around the world training staff at 5-star hotels, restaurants, and spas as Vice President of Leadership Development at Forbes Travel Guide. He also runs a consulting business.



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Title: WHAT DOESN'T KILL YOU: A Life with Chronic Illness - Lessons from a Body in Revolt

Publisher: Henry Holt

Rights: British and translation

Agent: Peter McGuigan

Author: *Tessa Miller*

US Editor: Barbara Jones

Delivery date:

Pub date: February 2021

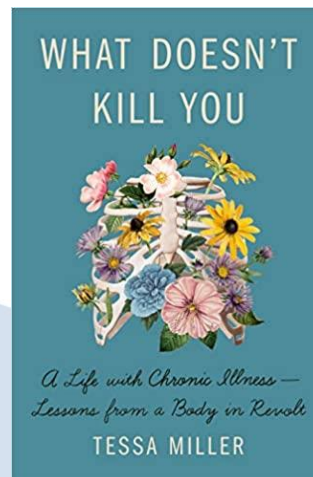
About the Book

Tessa Miller was an ambitious twentysomething writer in New York City when, on a random fall day, her stomach began to seize up. At first, she tried to push through the searing pain, taking time off work and staying home, glued to the toilet. But when it became glaringly apparent something was wrong, Miller gave in to her family's requests and went to the hospital—and thus started a years-long personal nightmare that included procedures, misdiagnoses, and life-threatening infections. Once Miller was finally correctly diagnosed with Crohn's disease, she had yet another new battle to face: accepting that she will, in truth, never get better.

Moving from Miller's maddening yet all too relatable experience into a deeper look at how the world medical community handles chronic illness, **WHAT DOESN'T KILL YOU** exposes the realities of what it means to accept a lifetime diagnosis, pushing past the good, the bad, and the ugly to offer wisdom and solidarity for those trying to make sense of it all.

About the Author

Tessa Miller writes about health and science for the *New York Times*. She has also written and edited at *The Daily Beast*, *Lifehacker*, *Vice*, *Self Magazine* and *New York Magazine*.



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Title: **SWEET IN TOOTH AND CLAW:**
*Discovering and Protecting the Hidden
Cooperation in Nature*
Publisher: Patagonia
Rights: British and translation
Agent: Kirsten Neuhaus

Author: *Kristin Ohlson*

US Editor: Karla Olsen
Delivery date: early 2021
Pub date: Spring 2022

About the Book

Ohlson's passion for the connection between nature, science, and society is the focus of her new book, **SWEET IN TOOTH AND CLAW: *Discovering and Protecting the Hidden Cooperation in Nature***. A perfect follow up to the bestselling phenomenon *The Hidden Life of Trees*, Ohlson explores the subtle ways in which nature is in constant collaboration to the betterment of all species. She posits that while a number of sociological and even political factors may have led to the modern science focus on Darwin's survival of the fittest model, recent years have given rise to a quite different theory called mutualism. From the bear that discards the remainders of his salmon dinner on the forest ground, to the bright coral reefs of Cuba, and even ancient Greek philosophy, Ohlson brilliantly shows readers not only the connectivity lying beneath the surface in natural ecosystems, but why it's so important for humans to incorporate that understanding into our interaction with nature, and also with each other.

About the Author

Kristin Ohlson is an award-winning journalist and *New York Times* bestselling author. She was featured in the recently launched, star-studded Netflix documentary, *Kiss the Ground*, narrated by Woody Harrelson. Her most recent book, *The Soil Will Save Us* (Rodale, 2014) won the "Books for a Better Life" award in the Green category. She has published articles and essays in the *Smithsonian*, *Christian Science Monitor*, *Salon*, *Gourmet*, *New Scientist*, *Oprah*, *Ladies Home Journal*, and others. Ohlson is also author of the memoir, *Stalking the Divine*, which won the American Society of Journalists and Authors' 2004 Best Nonfiction Book award, and co-author of the *New York Times* bestseller *Kabul Beauty School*.



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Title: **THE NEW STONE AGE: Ideas and Inspiration for Living with Crystals**

Author: *Carol Woolton*

Publisher: Ten Speed Press
Rights: Translation
Agent: Kirsten Neuhaus

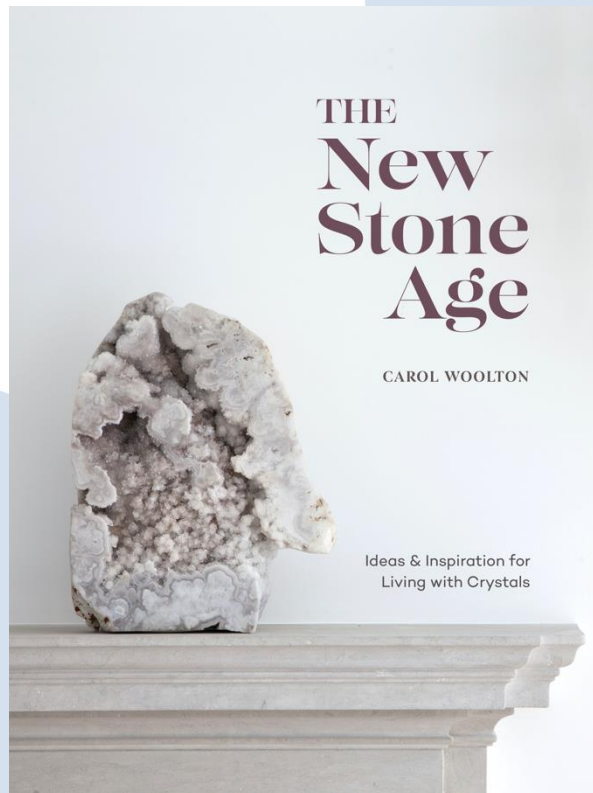
US Editor: Kelly Snowden
Delivery date:
Pub date: May 2020

About the Book

THE NEW STONE AGE guides you through fifteen different types of stones, categorized by color, and teaches you how to stylishly incorporate them into your wardrobe, home, and beyond. Assigning each crystal to a particular ailment of the modern age, whether it's self-doubt, travel anxiety, or restlessness, Carol Woolton explains how a simple crystal worn around your neck, tossed in your purse, or sitting next to your computer can help inspire you to make positive changes in your life. Woolton traces the history of crystals, showing how the same quartz that was used as a form of protection in the handles of Egyptian daggers can also be hung near a bedside to help with burnout.

About the Author

Carol Woolton is a jewelry historian, editor, stylist, and jewelry editor of British *Vogue* for twenty years, where she remains as contributing jewelry director. She was the first jewelry editor of *Tatler* magazine and has contributed to multiple newspapers, magazines, and online supplements around the world, including the *Financial Times*, *Vanity Fair*, *Air Mail*, the *Daily Telegraph*, and *American Vogue*. She curates jewelry exhibitions and *The New Stone Age* is her fifth book on the subject. She currently lives in London, where she co-founded The Leopards Jewelry Awards as a charitable initiative to support heritage crafts and skills, as well as mentor young people into the jewelry industry.



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Title: **I HOPE YOU ~~DIE~~ LOVE ME**

Publisher: Dey Street Books (HarperCollins)

Rights: Translation

Agent: Peter McGuigan

Author: *Moon Unit Zappa*

US Editor: Carrie Thornton

Delivery date:

Pub date: Spring 2023

About the Book

At times both heartbreaking and hilarious, this memoir from '80s icon Moon Unit Zappa reads as an offbeat love-letter to her father, rock legend Frank Zappa, but also takes an unflinching look at the perks and pitfalls of growing up in a counter-culture, boundary-bending environment. Unlike many other famous kids her age, she managed to steer clear of cults, drugs, and raging egos, and emerge largely intact. A clear literary talent, Moon retraces her steps in a way that's funny, frank, emotional, and unequivocally herself.

About the Author

Moon Zappa became a star herself at age 14, following the release of her father's song "Valley Girl," featuring her vocal send-up of teenage California girls living their mall-centric dreams in 1982. A self-described accidental celebrity, she's weathered her own storms and is living to tell the tale.



Foreign Sales:

UK: Orion

Germany: Heyne