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**El pais de las mujeres** Vintage Espanol *Un hipotetico pais latinoamericano es gobernado por una mujer. Relata la historia del Partido de la Izquierda Erotica (PIE). Un gobierno unico compuesto exclusivamente por mujeres.* **The Country Under My Skin A Memoir of Love and War** Anchor Books *A powerful memoir by the acclaimed Nicaraguan writer describes her privileged youth, her growing awareness of Nicaragua's social inequities, her involvement with the Sandinistas, her current life with an American husband and children, and her continuing devotion to her country and its people. Reprint. 20,000 first printing.* **The Inhabited Woman** Univ of Wisconsin Press *Lavinia is The Inhabited Woman: accomplished, independent, and fiercely modern. She is sheltered and self-involved, until the spirit of an Indian woman warrior enters her being, then she dares to join a revolutionary movement against a violent dictator and—through the power of love—finds the courage to act. The Wisconsin edition is for sale only in North America.* **Parentology Everything You Wanted to Know about the Science of Raising Children but Were Too Exhausted to Ask** Simon and Schuster *An award-winning scientist offers his unorthodox approach to childrearing: "Parentology is brilliant, jaw-droppingly funny, and full of wisdom...bound to change your thinking about parenting and its conventions" (Amy Chua, author of Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother). If you're like many parents, you might ask family and friends for advice when faced with important choices about how to raise your kids. You might turn to parenting books or simply rely on timeworn religious or cultural traditions. But when Dalton Conley, a dual-doctorate scientist and full-blown nerd, needed childrearing advice, he turned to scientific research to make the big decisions. In Parentology, Conley hilariously reports the results of those experiments, from bribing his kids to do math (since studies show conditional cash transfers improved educational and health outcomes for kids) to teaching them impulse control by giving them weird names (because*

evidence shows kids with unique names learn not to react when their peers tease them) to getting a vasectomy (because fewer kids in a family mean smarter kids). Conley encourages parents to draw on the latest data to rear children, if only because that level of engagement with kids will produce solid and happy ones. Ultimately these experiments are very loving, and the outcomes are redemptive—even when Conley’s sassy kids show him the limits of his profession. Parentology teaches you everything you need to know about the latest literature on parenting—with lessons that go down easy. You’ll be laughing and learning at the same time. **The Butterfly Workshop** [Europa Editions Incorporated](#) When Odair, one of the "Designers of All Things" and grandson of the inventor of rainbows, is banished to the insect laboratory for his overactive imagination, he dreams of creating a cross between a bird and a flower. **The Hero Reloaded The reinvention of the classical hero in contemporary mass media** [John Benjamins Publishing Company](#) What was a hero in Classical Antiquity? Why is it that their characteristics have transcended chronological and cultural barriers while they are still role models in our days? How have their features changed to be embodied by comic superheroes and film? How is their essence vulgarized and turned into a mass consumption product? What has happened with their literary and artistic representation along centuries of elitist Western culture? This book aims at posing these and other questions about heroes, allowing us to open a cultural reflection over the role of the classical world in the present, its meaning in mass media, and the capacity of the Greek and Roman civilizations to dialogue with the modern world. This dialogue offers a glimpse into modern cultural necessities and tendencies which can be seen in several aspects, such as the hero’s vulnerability, the archetype’s banalization, the possibility to extend the heroic essence to individuals in search of identities – vital as well as gender or class identities. In some products (videogames, heavy metal music) our research enables a deeper understanding of the hero’s more obvious characteristics, such as their physical and moral strength. All these tendencies – contemporary and consumable, contradictory with one another, yet vigorous above all – acquire visibility by means of a polyhedral vehicle which is rich in possibilities of rereading and reworking: the Greco-Roman hero. In such a virtual and postmodern world as the one we inhabit, it comes not without surprise that we still resort to an idea like the hero, which is as old as the West. **Feminist Thought A Comprehensive Introduction** [Routledge](#) In this survey of feminist theory, Rosemarie Tong provides coverage of the psychoanalytic, existential and postmodern schools of feminism. The author guides the reader through the complexities of even the most notoriously difficult thinkers. Students will meet and become familiar with many of the essential figures in the feminist tradition, from Wollstonecraft and Engel, on through de Beauvoir, Dinnerstein, and Daly, and up to Mitchell and Cixous. The text treats all views with respect and encourages students to think critically and sympathetically about a wide range of views that have a direct relevance to their own lives. **La mujer en primera l’nea: La obra literaria de Gioconda Belli** [Lulu.com](#) **The Bell Tolls for No One Stories** [City Lights Books](#) Previously uncollected pulp fiction by the 20th-century American master. "The uncollected gutbucket ramblings of the grand dirty old man of Los Angeles letters have been gathered in this characteristically filthy, funny compilation ... Bukowski's

gift was a sense for the raunchy absurdity of life, his writing a grumble that might turn into a belly laugh or a racking cough but that always throbbed with vital energy."--Kirkus Reviews From the self-illustrated, unpublished work written in 1947 to hardboiled contributions to 1980s adult magazines, *The Bells Tolls for No One* presents the entire range of Bukowski's talent as a short story writer, from straight-up genre stories to postmodern blurring of fact and fiction. An informative introduction by editor David Stephen Calonne provides historical context for these seemingly scandalous and chaotic tales, revealing the hidden hand of the master at the top of his form. Born in Andernach, Germany, and raised in Los Angeles, Charles Bukowski published his first story when he was twenty-four and began writing poetry at the age of thirty-five. His first book of poetry was published in 1959; he would eventually publish more than forty-five books of poetry and prose. He died of leukemia in San Pedro, California on March 9, 1994. David Stephen Calonne is the author of several books and has edited three previous collections of the uncollected work of Charles Bukowski for *City Lights: Absence of the Hero*, *Portions from a Wine-Stained Notebook*, and *More Notes of a Dirty Old Man*. **Infinity in the Palm of Her Hand A Novel of Adam and Eve** Harper Collins In a novel based on the Bible and ancient traditions, Adam and Eve discover the world around them, react to their punishment, and learn to adjust to the outside world, where it is necessary to kill to survive. **Blood Brothers** Author House Rueben Jackson, an ex-pimp and con artist, once known as the most dangerous man in the city, would stop at nothing to get what he wanted, and what he wanted most was money and power. After years of leading a notorious life, Rueben decided to give up the game for a more luxurious lifestyle. But when he met the elegantly beautiful Madeline Douglas, his life would never be the same again. Not only was Madeline beautiful and very rich, but she was also the wife of the city's highest and most powerful elected official, Mayor David K. Douglas. Although Madeline was aware of the power that she possessed being the city's first lady, she was satisfied at being a housewife and hostess and living in the shadows of her famous husband. But after meeting the handsome businessman Rueben Jackson on one of her frequent outings, she became infatuated and lost touch with everything-including her own life. But Madeline's problems did not stop there. She also became pregnant with the son that David had always wanted. But the question that kept haunting her: Was the baby David's? **Tell Me Who I Am** PLAZA & JANÉS A journalist receives a proposal to investigate the eventful life of his great-grandmother, about whom all that is known is that she fled Spain, abandoning her husband and child, shortly before the Civil War broke out. The memoir of an entire century, this novel adds a new, original chapter to Julia Navarro's best-selling career. *Tell Me Who I Am* surprises and enchants with a captivating and heartrending story. This is a novel about memory and identity with an exceptionally well-drawn and unforgettable literary character: a woman who throughout her extraordinary life was able to achieve the highly difficult feat of knowing herself. A victim of her mistakes, aware of her guilt, frightened by her traumas, she is above all an anti-heroine, a flesh-and-blood woman who always acts according to her principles, facing up to every challenge and making errors for which she will never fully pay. A woman who decided that she couldn't be neutral in this life. Navarro's most personal novel surprises for its melodrama and the raw emotions transmitted by many of its

stories. It is filled with pure adventure, introspection and political chronicle. From the tumultuous years of the Second Spanish Republic to the fall of the Berlin Wall, including World War II and the Cold War, these pages are packed with intrigue, emotion, politics, espionage, love, betrayal and settings like Madrid, Barcelona, Paris, Buenos Aires, Mexico, Moscow, London, Berlin and Warsaw with brief stopovers in The Basque Country, Cairo, Athens, Lisbon and New York. **Seven Lies A Novel** Penguin "Scalpel-sharp writing and a killer concept-dark, clever, compelling and utterly assured." —Lucy Foley, author of *The Guest List*, a Hello Sunshine x Reese's Book Club Pick Keep the lights on—you'll be turning pages deep into the night with this one." —Harlan Coben, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Run Away* It all started with just one little lie. But we all know that it never ends there. Because, of course, one lie leads to another. . . Growing up, Jane and Marnie shared everything. They knew the other's deepest secrets. They wouldn't have had it any other way. But when Marnie falls in love, things begin to change. Because Jane has a secret: She loathes Marnie's wealthy, priggish husband. So when Marnie asks if she likes him, Jane tells her first lie. After all, even best friends keep some things to themselves. If she had been honest, then perhaps her best friend's husband might still be alive today. . . *Seven Lies* is Jane's confession of the truth—her truth. Compelling, sophisticated, chilling, it's a seductive, hypnotic page-turner about the tangled, toxic friendships between women, the dark underbelly of obsession, and what we stand to lose in the name of love. **From Eve's Rib** Gioconda Belli's poetry, widely published and revered in Latin America and Europe, celebrates the longing for a society in which humanity constructs its future, animated by an inextinguishable erotic, maternal, and transcendentally loving desire. As Salman Rushdie wrote in his book, *The Jaguar Smile: A Nicaraguan Journey*, her poetry is a "kind of public love poetry that comes clower, to expressing the passion of Nicaragua than anything I [have] yet heard." **Metáforas de lo indecible** Gioconda Belli, Lucía Guerra y Angeles Mastretta Editorial Cuarto Propio **Malinche A Novel** Simon and Schuster Historical novel that retells the story of Hernâan Cortâes and Doãna Marina, his interpreter and mistress during the conquest of Mexico. **Hasta La Vista Patriarchy. Feminist Science Fiction and the Exclusion of Men An Analysis of Gioconda Belli's "A Women's Country" and Charlotte Perkins Gilman's "Herland"** GRIN Verlag Essay from the year 2014 in the subject English Language and Literature Studies - Literature, grade: 1,6, Free University of Berlin (Englische Philologie), language: English, abstract: In times of 'no alternative' we need alternatives. In times of 'post-feminism' we need feminism. In times where Science Fiction is derided and 'nerdy' we need to beam it back into the academic context. In times where utopia is almost an obscene swearword we need to put it back into perspective. What else are we supposed to imagine other than the utopian? Is there really no alternative to ecological crisis, to femicide, poverty and inequality? Of course there is, because all it needs is our imagination. If we imagine something different, this is the alternative, this is utopian. In a feminist academic context there has been utopian imagination. When Christine de Pizan wrote "*Le Livre de la Cité des Femmes*" (engl. "The book of the city of women") in 1405 she created a milestone for feminist utopias, long before Thomas More established the literary genre of the utopia with his famous novel *Utopia* in 1516. Momentous for feminist utopias was Pizane's decision that female

happiness can only be established without men. During the first wave of feminism in the 19th and early 20th century, Charlotte Perkins Gilman, a women's right activist took a chance on the utopian genre and wrote "Herland" (1915), about an all-female society which is able to reproduce via parthenogenesis and became herewith a leading figure for further feminist writers of utopia. During second-wave feminism (1960-1970's) most feminist utopias concentrated on protecting this perfectly equal society, as in Marge Piercy's "Woman on the Edge of Time" (1976). It was during the third wave of feminism that this model was questioned in feminist utopian fiction and the genre critical utopia emerged. These days, the genre of the critical utopia has grown quiet. Inequality between the sexes and the oppression of women is no longer seen as the reason for the world going wrong. It is claimed that we have reached the period of post-feminism. Feminism is dead, unfashionable and useless as equality is achieved, therefore there's no need for a feminist utopia. What should we imagine if there is no desirable alternative or no alternative at all? Fortunately, few but strong female writers refute those assumptions. Nicaraguan author and declared feminist Gioconda Belli published *El Pais de las Mujeres* (engl. *A Women's Country*). [...] **More Terrible Than Death Drugs, Violence, and America's War in Colombia** Hachette UK *More Terrible Than Death* is a gripping work that maps the dramatic new relationship between the United States and Colombia in human terms, using portraits of the Colombians and Americans involved, the author's experiences in Colombia as a writer and human rights investigator and an insider's analysis of the political realities that shape the expanding war on drugs and the growing U.S. military presence there. Looking at the war from the ground up, interviewing and profiling human rights activists, guerrillas, and paramilitaries to explain how it has changed their lives, Robin Kirk gives depth and meaning to the headlines that leave unexplained the intimate dimension of the U.S./Colombian relationship. **Their Lost Daughters A Gripping Crime Thriller with a Huge Twist** "Two girls go to a party, only one returns alive. Toni, the surviving teenager, is found deliriously wandering the muddy fields of the fens. She has been drugged and it's uncertain whether she'll survive. She says she saw her friend Emily being dragged away from the party. But no one knows who Emily is or even if she's still alive ... Meanwhile the drowned body of another girl has been found on an isolated beach. And how does this all relate to the shocking disappearance of a little girl nearly a decade ago, a crime which was never solved? The girl's mother is putting immense pressure on the police to re-open the high-profile case." -- **Introducción a la lingüística hispánica actual teoría y práctica** Routledge *Introducción a la lingüística hispánica actual* is the ideal introduction to Spanish linguistics for all undergraduate and postgraduate students of Spanish. No prior knowledge of linguistics is assumed as the book takes you step-by-step through all the main subfields of linguistics, both theoretical and applied. Phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics, second language acquisition, history of the Spanish language, dialectology and sociolinguistics are concisely and accurately outlined providing a comprehensive foundation in the field. A comprehensive companion website provides a wealth of additional resources including further exercises to reinforce the material covered in the book, extra examples to clarify the most difficult concepts, extensive audio clips which reproduce the sounds of phonemes and allophones and sonograms. Written in a

clear and accessible manner with extensive auxiliary materials, *Introducción a la lingüística hispánica actual* has been specially designed for students of Spanish with little or no linguistic background who need to understand the key concepts and constructs of Spanish linguistics. **El país bajo mi piel memorias de amor y de guerra** Txalaparta **Diary of a Mad Housewife** Seal Press First published in 1977, this novel of life in New York is written in the form of a diary of a disenchanting housewife who offers a frank, unsparing portrait of her terrors and passions. Reprint. **Together in a Sudden Strangeness America's Poets Respond to the Pandemic** Knopf In this urgent outpouring of American voices, our poets speak to us as they shelter in place, addressing our collective fear, grief, and hope from eloquent and diverse individual perspectives. As the novel coronavirus and its devastating effects began to spread in the United States and around the world, Alice Quinn reached out to poets across the country to see if, and what, they were writing under quarantine. Overwhelmed by the response, the onetime *New Yorker* poetry editor and recent former director of the Poetry Society of America began collecting the compassionate verses that were arriving in her inbox, assembling this various, intimate, and intricate portrait of our suddenly altered reality. Whether grieving for relatives they are separated from, recovering from illness themselves, attending to suddenly complicated household tasks, or considering the bravery of medical workers and the inequities in our society that amplify sorrow and demand our engagement, our poets are just like us, but with the words to describe what can feel unspeakably difficult and strange. From fierce and resilient to wistful, darkly humorous, and emblematically reverent about the earth and the vulnerability of human beings in frightening times, the poems in this collection provide wisdom and companionship, depths of feeling that enliven our spirits, and a poignant summoning to the page of spring's inevitable return. **Poesía Nicaragüense The Scroll of Seduction A Novel of Power, Madness, and Royalty** Harper Collins Manuel is a man of many talents; an art historian and professor, he is also an exquisite storyteller. When he meets 16-year-old Lucía on an outing from her boarding school, he offers to narrate a story of dire consequences—that of the Spanish Queen Juana of Castile and her legendary love for her husband, Philippe the Handsome. Promised to Prince Philippe the Handsome to solidify ties between the Flemish and Spanish crowns, Queen Juana immediately fell in love with her betrothed with all the abandon and passion of her fiery personality. Theirs was one of the most tumultuous love stories of all time. But Juana, who was also one of the most learned princesses of the Renaissance, was forced to pay a high price for being headstrong and daring to be herself. Those at court who could not fathom Juana as heir to the throne of the most important empire of its day conspired against her and began to question her sanity. Eventually she came to be known as Juana the Mad. But was she really insane, or just a victim of her impetuosity and unbridled passion? As the novel unfolds, Lucía and Manuel become enmeshed in a complex psychological web that seduces and incites them to relive Juana and Philippe's story, and eventually leads them to a mysterious manuscript that may hold the key to Juana's alleged madness. **Apocalypse Postponed Essays by Umberto Eco** Perspectives An erudite and witty collection of Umberto Eco's essays on mass culture from the 1960s through the 1980s, including major pieces which have not been translated into English before.

The discussion is framed by opposing characterizations of current intellectuals as apocalyptic and opposed to all mass culture, or as integrated intellectuals, so much a part of mass culture as to be unaware of serving it. Organized in four main parts, "Mass Culture: Apocalypse Postponed," "Mass Media and the Limits of Communication," "The Rise and Fall of Counter-Cultures," and "In Search of Italian Genius," Eco looks at a variety of topics and cultural productions, including the world of Charlie Brown, distinctions between highbrow and lowbrow, the future of literacy, Chinese comic strips, whether countercultures exist, Fellini's Ginger and Fred, and the Italian genius industry. **Marina** Text Publishing A gothic tale for readers of all ages from the author of the bestselling *The Shadow of the Wind*. Barcelona, 1980. Oscar Drai finds himself drawn to an old dilapidated mansion where he meets the captivating and elusive Marina. She leads him to the cemetery to witness a mysterious ritual: on the fourth Sunday of every month, a veiled woman alights from a carriage and lays a single rose on an unmarked grave. Oscar and Marina are swept on a journey into the city's dark underground of labyrinthine sewers, corrupt policemen, ageing aristocrats, forgotten societies and criminal depravity...to a sinister tale of love, ambition and jealousy that will hold Oscar's heart forever. Carlos Ruiz Zafon was born in Barcelona. He is one of the world's most read and best-loved writers. His work has been translated into more than forty languages, garnering numerous international prizes and reaching millions of readers. *Marina* was first published in Spanish in 1999, this is the first time it has been published in English. [textpublishing.com.au](http://textpublishing.com.au) 'Marina is one of those books that are meant to be devoured in one sitting' *Guardian* 'A tale of love, revenge, corruption and death...What at the start seem to be a story about a schoolboy crush easily morphs into a horror story, Carlos Ruiz Zafon skillfully weaves the subplots together.' *Daily Telegraph* 'A triumph of the storyteller's art.' *Daily Telegraph* on *The Shadow of the Wind* 'You'll read it and you'll want more.' *Age* on *The Shadow of the Wind* **The Aftermath of Feminism** **Gender, Culture and Social Change** SAGE In this trenchant inquiry into the state of feminism, Angela McRobbie breaks open the politics of sexual equality and 'affirmative feminism' and sets down a new theory of gender power. Challenging the most basic assumptions of the 'end' of feminism, this book argues that invidious forms of gender re-stabilisation are being re-established. Consumer and popular culture encroach on the terrain of so-called female freedom, appearing supportive of female success, yet tying women into new post-feminist neurotic dependencies. With a scathing critique of 'women's empowerment', McRobbie has developed a distinctive feminist analysis that she uses to examine socio-cultural phenomena embedded in contemporary women's lives: from fashion photography and the television 'make-over' genre to eating disorders, body anxiety and 'illegible rage'. A turning point in feminist theory, *The Aftermath of Feminism* will set a new agenda for gender studies and cultural studies. **Nel paese delle donne** Feltrinelli Editore "Il calo della libido da parte degli uomini fu la prova concreta che qualcosa di anomalo stava accadendo" A Faguas, un paese immaginario del Centro America, si consumano giochi di potere e corruzioni politiche, rocamboleschi abusi e fantasiose depravazioni. E quando proprio non se ne può più di tutti questi eccessi, dopo aver smascherato un noto magistrato che ha installato una costosissima stanza refrigerata per tenerci un pinguino importato di contrabbando e organizzarci orge

con gli amici politici, la giornalista Viviana Sansón e le sue tre amiche del Club del Libro fondano il Partito femminista della Sinistra Erotica, che stravince le elezioni e ribalta la vita, la società e l'economia del paese. Grazie all'aiuto del vulcano Mitre, le cui esalazioni riducono drasticamente il testosterone in tutti gli uomini, il nuovo governo può varare il suo programma rivoluzionario: i maschi a casa e le donne al lavoro! Ma ecco che a pochi mesi dalla sua nomina, durante un comizio, la quarantenne e seducente Presidentessa cade vittima di un attentato. E mentre il capo di stato giace in coma con una pallottola conficcata nel cranio, tocca al ministro della Difesa, Eva Salvatierra, l'incarico di risolvere il caso e sedare le sommosse degli uomini, che manifestano per riconquistare il potere. **Finding Manana** [Turtleback](#)

**Feminism, Femininity and Popular Culture** [Manchester University Press](#) In this accessible introductory guide, the author identifies key feminist approaches to popular culture from the 1960s to the present and demonstrates how the relationship between feminism, femininity and popular culture has often been a troubled one. The book introduces the central ideas of both second-wave feminism and feminist cultural studies and demonstrates how they inform feminist debates about a range of popular forms and practices through a series of case studies: the woman's film; romantic fiction; soap opera; consumption and material culture; fashion and beauty practices; and youth culture and popular music. **The Widow: An Absolutely Unputdownable and Gripping Psychological Thriller** [Bookouture](#)

My husband was not a monster. No matter what they say... The day my husband, Michael, stepped in front of a lorry after being questioned by the police, my world fell apart. He was devoted to me and our six-year-old daughter. But they'd connected him to the disappearance of a young mother from our tiny village. Now I stand at Michael's funeral, clutching my little girl's hand, with tears in my eyes as I insist to all our friends that he died an innocent man. Yet the questions have started, and nothing I say will stop them digging for the truth. But none of them can read the secrets in my heart, or know about the phone I found hidden in his toolbox... I'm determined that my daughter will not remember her father as a monster. I will erase any hint of wrongdoing in this house whatever the cost. Because to keep my daughter safe, the last thing I need is for people to start looking at me... A completely gripping psychological thriller from the author of the number one bestseller *The Marriage*. If you like *Gone Girl*, *The Girl on The Train* and *The Wife Between Us* then you will love *The Widow*. What everyone is saying about *The Widow*: 'The Queen of twists is back. OMG! I can't believe how many twists this book revealed. It's one hell of a roller coaster ride and in parts left me gasping and holding my breath. I LOVED IT, LOVED IT, LOVED IT, LOVED IT, LOVED IT, LOVED IT... I was dying to know how this book would end and what a SHOCKING, BRILLIANT, UNEXPECTED ending it was.' Goodreads reviewer, ★★★★★ 'Just wow! Definitely one of my favourite books of the year! I was hooked from page one and the thrills never ceased. Awesome characters and storyline. KL Slater weaves her magic again, ... Huge on the creep factor and shocking twists! Wish I could give this more than a huge five stars.' Netgalley reviewer, ★★★★★ 'OMG Kim what a bloody fantastic gripping read... absolutely everything you could want from a thriller.' Goodreads reviewer, ★★★★★ 'She's whipped up another winner in my book... it makes for an exciting adventure I really hated to put down come bedtime (and in the end, I stayed up

another half-hour or so just to get it finished)... Loved it!' Books by Monnie, [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] 'Another brilliant story that keeps you up to the wee small hours' Goodreads reviewer, [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] 'It kept me awake, I needed to finish it. So many twists and turns, just gobsmacked it takes psychological thrillers to another level. Outstanding page-turner of a book.' Netgalley reviewer, [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] 'This author never disappoints, and I just loved and devoured this book in one session. It was brilliant and the ending pure genius... It was just so engrossing.' Goodreads reviewer, [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]

**Leaving Mother Lake A Girlhood at the Edge of the World** Little, Brown The haunting memoir of a girl growing up in the Moso country in the Himalayas -- a unique matrilineal society. But even in this land of women, familial tension is eternal. Namu is a strong-willed daughter, and conflicts between her and her rebellious mother lead her to break the taboo that holds the Moso world together -- she leaves her mother's house.

**Iron Shirt Chi Kung** Simon and Schuster An introduction to the ancient Kung Fu practice designed to unify physical, mental, and spiritual health • Describes the unique Iron Shirt air-packing techniques that protect vital organs from injuries • Explains the rooting practice exercises necessary to stabilize and center oneself • Includes guidelines for building an Iron Shirt Chi Kung daily practice Long before the advent of firearms, Iron Shirt Chi Kung, a form of Kung Fu, built powerful bodies able to withstand hand-to-hand combat. Even then, however, martial use was only one aspect of Iron Shirt Chi Kung, and today its other aspects remain vitally significant for anyone seeking better health, a sound mind, and spiritual growth. In Iron Shirt Chi Kung Master Mantak Chia introduces this ancient practice that strengthens the internal organs, establishes roots to the earth's energy, and unifies physical, mental, and spiritual health. Through a unique system of breathing exercises, he demonstrates how to permanently pack concentrated air into the connective tissues (the fasciae) surrounding vital organs, making them nearly impervious to injuries--a great benefit to athletes and other performers. He shows readers how once they root themselves in the earth they can direct its gravitational and healing power throughout their bone structure. Additionally, Master Chia presents postural forms, muscle-tendon meridians, and guidelines for developing a daily practice routine. After becoming rooted and responsive, practitioners of Iron Shirt Chi Kung can then focus on higher spiritual work.

**Adiós Muchachos A Memoir of the Sandinista Revolution** Duke University Press Books *Adiós Muchachos* is a candid insider's account of the leftist Sandinista revolution in Nicaragua. During the 1970s, Sergio Ramírez led prominent intellectuals, priests, and business leaders to support the Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN), against Anastasio Somoza's dictatorship. After the Sandinistas overthrew the Somoza regime in 1979, Ramírez served as vice-president under Daniel Ortega from 1985 until 1990, when the FSLN lost power in a national election. Disillusioned by his former comrades' increasing intolerance of dissent and resistance to democratization, Ramírez defected from the Sandinistas in 1995 and founded the Sandinista Renovation Movement. In *Adiós Muchachos*, he describes the utopian aspirations for liberation and reform that motivated the Sandinista revolution against the Somoza regime, as well as the triumphs and shortcomings of the movement's leadership as it struggled to turn an insurrection into a government, reconstruct a country beset by poverty and internal conflict, and defend the revolution against the Contras, an armed counterinsurgency supported

by the United States. *Adiós Muchachos* was first published in 1999. Based on a later edition, this translation includes Ramírez's thoughts on more recent developments, including the re-election of Daniel Ortega as president in 2006. **The Rooftop Charco Press** In a rundown apartment building, in an unnamed city in Uruguay, a father and daughter close themselves off from the world. 'The world is this house', says Clara, and the rooftop becomes their last recess of freedom. A pet canary is their only witness. As Clara's connection to the outside is stripped away—the neighbor who stops coming by, the lover whose existence is only known by a pregnancy—desperation and paranoia take hold. It's a stifling embrace, and we are there with her, our narrator, dreading what we know the future holds. **Esperanza's Box of Saints A Novel** Simon and Schuster *Esperanza's Box of Saints* is a magical, humorous, and passion-filled odyssey about a beautiful young widow's search for her missing child -- a mission that takes her from a humble Mexican village to the rowdy brothels of Tijuana and a rarely seen side of Los Angeles. Rescued from turmoil by her favorite saint, Esperanza embarks on a journey that tests her faith, teaches her the ways of the world, and transforms her from a fervently religious innocent to an independent, sexual, and passionately devout woman. **The Lost Chronicles of Terra Firma** White Pine Press (NY) "A Nicaraguan journalist weaves past and present into a historical novel about the Spanish conquest of Central America from perspective of six women of the period - three Spanish, two Amerindian, and one mestiza - involved in that violent conflict of cult **Looking for History Dispatches from Latin America** Vintage From the esteemed *New Yorker* correspondent comes an incisive volume of essays and reportage that vividly illuminates Latin America's recent history. Only Alma Guillermoprieto, the most highly regarded writer on the region, could unravel the complex threads of Colombia's cocaine wars or assess the combination of despotism, charm, and political jiu-jitsu that has kept Fidel Castro in power for more than 40 years. And no one else can write with such acumen and sympathy about statesmen and campesinos, leftist revolutionaries and right-wing militias, and political figures from Evita Peron to Mexico's irrepressible president, Vicente Fox. Whether she is following the historic papal visit to Havana or staying awake for a pre-dawn interview with an insomniac Subcomandante Marcos, Guillermoprieto displays both the passion and knowledge of an insider and the perspective of a seasoned analyst. *Looking for History* is journalism in the finest traditions of Joan Didion, V. S. Naipaul, and Ryszard Kapucinski: observant, empathetic, and beautifully written. **Flights of Victory** In this bilingual edition, Ernesto Cardenal celebrates his country's successful revolution against the Somoza regime. Recognized world-wide as a major poetic voice from Latin America, he also has long been an activist fighting for political freedom, and he served as Nicaragua's Minister of Culture from 1979-1988. In *Flights of Victory*, Ernesto Cardenal reflects on events of recent Nicaraguan history with poems about the insurrection against Somoza, the triumph of the popular movement, and the reconstruction of the country, from the unique perspective of a poet-participant.