

New Books May 2025: Adult

Young Adult Fiction



Everything Is Poison by Joy McCullough

This historical novel in prose and verse tells the story of a deadly secret hiding in plain sight and of the women who risk everything to provide care for those with nowhere else to turn, perfect for fans of Blood Water Paint and The Lost Apothecary.

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Fearless by Lauren Roberts

OVER A MILLION COPIES SOLD. THE SIZZLING FINALE TO THE NO 1 BESTSELLING ROMANTASY PHENOMENON! Praise for Powerless: 'Nothing short of epic' Rosie Talbot, bestselling author of Sixteen Souls 'A thrilling fantasy with the most delicious slow-burn romance' M.A.

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Skyshade by Alex Aster

The pulse-pounding third novel in the #1 New York Times bestselling series The Lightlark Saga, by acclaimed author and #BookTok sensation Alex Aster Love kills kingdoms... Back in Grim's castle on Nightshade, Isla is reeling in the wake of a brutal battle and the devastating truths it exposed.

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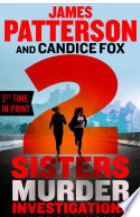


The Wilde Trials by Mackenzie Reed

From the acclaimed author of The Rosewood Hunt comes a thrilling new mystery about a high-stakes competition packed with shocking twists, second chances, and deadly deceit, where allies—and enemies—are the people you'd least expect.

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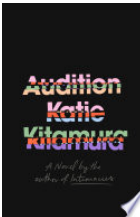
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2 Sisters Murder Investigations by James Patterson and Candice Fox

Patterson's greatest crime-solving team since the Women's Murder Club is the Bird Sisters. Rhonda and Barbara "Baby" Bird are half-sisters—and full partners in their Los Angeles detective agency. They agree on nothing.

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Audition by Katie Kitamura

"Kitamura's novels are short, sharp and deadly. I'm not sure there's anyone better writing in America today."—The Guardian One woman, the performance of a lifetime. Or two. An exhilarating, destabilizing Möbius strip of a novel that asks whether we ever really know the people we love.

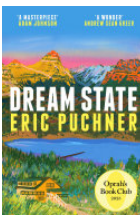
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Big Name Fan by Ruthie Knox & Annie Mare

When two A-list celebrities famous for their on-screen chemistry as TV detectives (think: sapphic Mulder and Scully, or queer Rizzoli and Isles) are reunited to investigate a real-life Hollywood murder, fans who have been 'shipping the leading ladies for years might just get the ending they've always wanted... Bexley Simon and Sam Farmer aren't detectives, but they play them on TV.

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Dream State by Eric Puchner

An Oprah's Book Club Pick 'The kind of book you don't want to put down' Oprah Winfrey 'A rare pleasure... We book reviewers don't get to say much about endings, but Puchner's final chapter is one of the most touching and satisfying I've read in years' Ron Charles, Washington Post 'As funny as it is devastating...

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Fun for the Whole Family by Jennifer E. Smith

A breathtaking, joy-filled novel about the people we love, the secrets we keep, and the enduring power of family, from the bestselling author of The Unsinkable Greta James. "A glorious novel of love in all its forms—familial, romantic, lost, and found.

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Goddess Complex by Sanjena Sathian

Named a Most-Anticipated Book of 2025 by TIME From the author of Gold Diggers, a biting examination of millennial adulthood, the often fraught conversations around fertility and reproduction, and the painful quest to forge an identity Sanjana Satyananda is trying to recover her life.

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Great Big Beautiful Life by Emily Henry

A REESE'S BOOK CLUB PICK · Two writers compete for the chance to tell the larger-than-life story of a woman with more than a couple of plot twists up her sleeve in this dazzling and sweeping novel from Emily Henry.

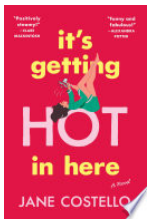
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Happy Land by Dolen Perkins-Valdez

'It's time we name our kingdom!' he shouted over the wind. 'I say we call this place Happy Land. If this ain't the land of happy people, then where is it? Why not create our heaven right here on earth?

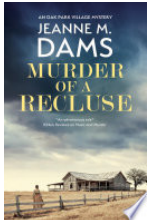
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It's Getting Hot in Here by Jane Costello

Hilarious, relatable, and delightfully swoon-worthy, *It's Getting Hot in Here* is the laugh-out-loud, coming-of-middle-age, rom-com meets mom-com readers have been waiting for. In this "celebration of midlife and all its marvelous messiness," Lisa Darling, a high-flying TV executive and twice-divorced mother of two, is navigating life with an opinionated teenager and a pet-obsessed grade-schooler, organizing PTA events, and supporting her best friend through breast cancer treatment, all while in the throes of perimenopause.

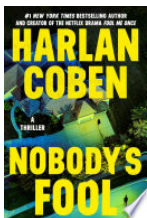
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Murder of a Recluse by Jeanne M. Dams

Who killed the reclusive Agatha Dobbs? Newly married Elizabeth Wilkins is determined to prove Agatha's niece's innocence in this compelling 1920s mystery. July, 1926. Now happily married to lawyer Fred, Elizabeth Wilkins is ready for whatever married life throws at her.

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Nobody's Fool by Harlan Coben

A year after the devastating events that took place in *Fool Me Once*, Harlan Coben's bestselling thriller and #1 Netflix series, a secret from former Detective Sami Kierce's college days comes back to haunt him.

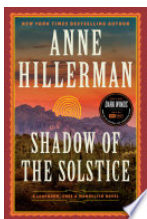
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On Vicious Worlds by Bethany Jacobs

ONE OF ESQUIRE'S BEST SCI-FI BOOKS OF 2024
Bethany Jacobs returns with *On Vicious Worlds*, the electrifying sequel to *These Burning Stars*, the Philip K. Dick Award-winning space opera novel about revenge, power, and the price of legacy.

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Shadow of the Solstice by Anne Hillerman

"Anne Hillerman deserves recognition as one of the finest mystery authors currently working in the genre."—New York Journal of Books
In this gripping chapter in New York Times bestselling author Anne Hillerman's Leaphorn, Chee & Manuelito series, the detectives must sort out a save-the-planet meditation group connected to a mysterious death and a nefarious scheme targeting vulnerable indigenous people living with addiction.

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The Death of Us by Abigail Dean

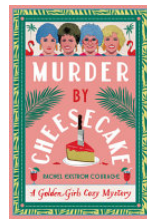
This is a story of murder. This is a story of love. This is a story of survival. This is the most unforgettable thriller of the year. '[a] mesmerising blend of crime and romance' Sunday Times, Pick of the Month 'This is a classy, elegant thriller' The Observer 'A superbly imagined, nuanced story of love and anguish' Daily Mail 'Brilliant ...

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The Four Queens of Crime by Rosanne Limoncelli

LIBRARY JOURNAL'S DECEMBER DEBUT OF THE MONTH! In this debut mystery, DCI Lilian Wyles, the first woman detective chief inspector in the CID, is determined to find a killer with the help of the four queens of crime, Agatha Christie, Dorothy L.



Murder By Cheesecake by Rachel Ekstrom

The first novel in the all-new Golden Girls Cozy Mystery Series! When Dorothy's obnoxious date is found dead in a hotel freezer, it not only ruins a gorgeous cheesecake but threatens the elaborate St. Olaf-themed wedding Rose is hosting.

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No Comfort for the Dead by R.P. O'Donnell

After witnessing a murder, a small-town librarian is forced to act when the local police arrest the wrong man, perfect for fans of Dervla McTiernan and Carlene O'Connor. 1988, West Cork, Ireland. Emma Daly has returned to her home in Castlefreke, a small and peaceful village where everybody knows everybody.

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Not Who We Expected by Lisa Black

Dynamic forensic analysts Ellie Carr and Rachael Davies return in New York Times bestselling author Lisa Black's latest riveting Locard Institute thriller, as they solve a deadly mystery unfolding in the shadow of a celebrated rock star.

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Say You'll Remember Me by Abby Jimenez

"Abby Jimenez has proven time and time again to be one of our must-read writers."—Cosmopolitan
There might be no such a thing as a perfect guy, but Xavier Rush comes disastrously close. A gorgeous veterinarian giving Greek god vibes--all while cuddling a tiny kitten?

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The Bright Years by Sarah Damoff

One family. Four generations. A secret son. A devastating addiction. A Texas family is met with losses and surprises of inheritance, but they're unable to shake the pull back toward each other in this big-hearted family saga perfect for readers of Mary Beth Keane and Claire Lombardo.

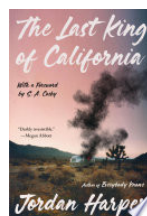
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The Float Test by Lynn Steger Strong

From Lynn Steger Strong, critically acclaimed author of *Flight*, a sophisticated and layered novel about sisters, betrayal, love, and climate change, for readers of *The Dutch House* and *The Most Fun We Ever Had*.

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The Last King of California by Jordan Harper

Jordan Harper's "darkly irresistible" novel, a tragic, Hamlet-esque noir for readers of S.A. Cosby and Don Winslow, now available for the first time in the United States. (Megan Abbott) This stirring and brutal bildungsroman tells the story of young Luke Crosswhite, who after years apart from his criminal family returns to their flock deep in the California desert.

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The Last One by Rachel Howzell Hall

"Romantasy readers won't be able to turn the pages fast enough." —Publishers Weekly "Masterful storytelling with a female protagonist worth rooting for." —#1 NYT bestselling author Rebecca Yarros Explosive and enthralling romantasy debut from New York Times bestselling author Rachel Howzell Hall...

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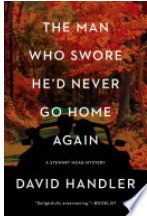
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The Last Visitor by Martin Griffin

The island was abandoned for fifty years. So how did the body get there? Five-hundred kilometres from land in the middle of Atlantic Ocean lies Navigaceo. A tiny island that was hastily abandoned fifty years ago and has been uninhabited ever since.

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The Man Who Swore He'd Never Go Home Again by David Handler

In this case from early in Stewart Hoag's career, the newly successful writer revisits his hometown to investigate the murder of a beloved librarian. Stewart "Hoagy" Hoag always swore that he would never return to Oakmont, Connecticut, the small mill town where his family lived for generations.

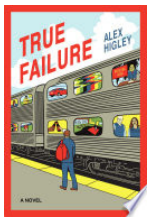
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The Persians by Sanam Mahlouji

A darkly funny, life-affirming debut novel following five women from a once illustrious Iranian family as they grapple with revolutions personal and political. Meet the Valiat family. In Iran, they were somebodies.

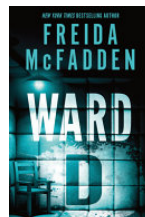
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True Failure by Alex Higley

A twisting examination of life under late capitalism and the deceptions we inhabit to invent our own success stories. Ben just lost his job, but he won't fess up to his wife Tara. Instead, while he claims to be going to work, he's actually devoting his time to auditioning for the wildly popular reality TV show Big Shot, where he'll be able to pitch his unique entrepreneurial idea.

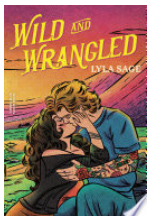
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Ward D by Freida McFadden

"Medical student Amy Brenner is spending the night on a locked psychiatric ward. Amy has been dreading her evening working on Ward D, the hospital's inpatient mental health unit. There are very specific reasons why she never wanted to do this required overnight rotation.

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Wild and Wrangled by Lyla Sage

She's the one that got away. He's the one that never let her go. #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • From the bestselling author of Done and Dusted and Swift and Saddled, the next book in the Rebel Blue Ranch series, a small-town romance in which past lovers get a second chance to rediscover what they lost "The perfect farewell .

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Graphic Novels



Project: Cryptid Volume One by Mark Russell, Paul Cornell, Alisa Kwitney, and more

Bigfoot, Yetis, Nessies, Mongolian Death Worms, and more! AHOY presents a deep dive into all things "cryptid"—legendary, tall tale, and fanciful beasts, depicted by writers and artists from the worlds of comics and dark fantasy.

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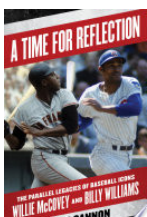


Project: Cryptid Volume Two by Alisa Kwitney, Carol Lay, Joseph Illidge and more

More tales of modern mythological creatures—from Yetis to sea serpents, from Florida Man to the Jersey Devil, all told with tongue in cheek and with eyes wide open. This new, lighthearted collection features stories of Yetis, sea serpents, the Jamaican Crow, "Florida Man," and many more mythical creatures—including not one but two tales of the fearsome Jersey Devil!

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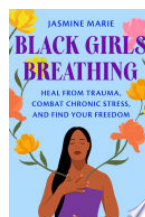
Non-Fiction



A Time of Reflection by Jason Cannon

A fascinating look back at the incredible lives and careers of baseball Hall of Famers Willie McCovey and Billy Williams. Professional baseball has featured a bevy of superstars over the past century and a half, but only a few of them have impacted their sport and cities as deeply as Willie McCovey and Billy Williams.

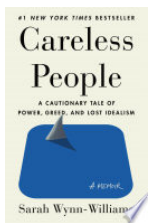
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Black Girls Breathing by Jasmine Marie

Harness the power of breathwork with this compassionate, healing guide for Black women. As a Black woman, Jasmine Marie knows the impact that intergenerational trauma and systemic racism have had—and continue to have—on her community.

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Careless People by Sarah Wynn-Williams

#1 New York Times Bestseller “Careless People is darkly funny and genuinely shocking...Not only does [Sarah Wynn-Williams] have the storytelling chops to unspool a gripping narrative; she also delivers the goods.

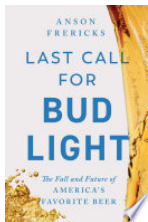
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Holy Ground by Catherine Coleman Flowers

A stirring, galvanizing collection of essays, personal and political, by the environmental justice activist and MacArthur Fellow named one of the Forbes 50 Over 50 and TIME magazine's 100 Most Influential People of 2023—that frames the inequities that define us as a society and, with grace and generosity, gives us reason to have hope.

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Last Call for Bud Light by Anson Frericks

The astonishing inside story of how Bud Light lost its position as the most popular beer in the United States from a longtime Anheuser-Busch executive. Anson Frericks, a former president at Anheuser-Busch—formerly the home of America's most popular brewery—watched as the company unraveled at the hands of globe-trotting financiers and progressive middle management.

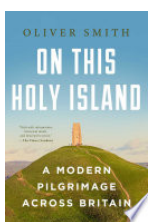
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No One Will Know You Tomorrow by Najwan Darwish

A selection of the exquisite, passionate verse of the Palestinian poet Najwan Darwish, superbly translated into English “A lush bouquet of essential poems from one of our species’ most urgent living poets.

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On This Holy Island by Oliver Smith

A lyrical and insightful narrative that presents a new approach to the idea of pilgrimage, traversing paths both ancient and modern. Retracing sacred travel made across time, from murmurs of ritual journeys in the depths of Ice Age to new pilgrimages of the 21st century, On This Holy Island is an epic adventure across sacred British landscapes.

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Scout Camp by James Renner

In this timely and deeply personal true crime memoir, acclaimed journalist, author, creator of the True Crime This Week podcast, and former Boy Scout James Renner, explores the dark side of an American institution, its pervasive culture of sexual abuse, and the traumatic—even deadly—repercussions of its long-buried secrets.

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Swedish Lagom by Kortney Yassenka & Karen Johnson Yassenka

Discover the secret to a happier, more balanced life with the Swedish philosophy of lagom. Sweden consistently ranks among the happiest countries in the world, and many attribute this to their uniquely balanced lifestyle.

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Taking Manhattan by Russell Shorto

One of Literary Hub's Most Anticipated Books of 2025 The author of The Island at the Center of the World offers up a thrilling narrative of how New York—that brash, bold, archetypal city—came to be. In 1664, England decided to invade the Dutch-controlled city of New Amsterdam on Manhattan Island.

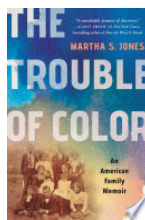
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The Kids Are Online by Ysabel Gerrard

A nuanced, intimate picture of how young people live with and on social media. Today's young people find themselves at the center of widespread debates about their online safety, and they are often told that social media platforms affect their mental health and body image by exposing them to cyberbullying and distressing images.

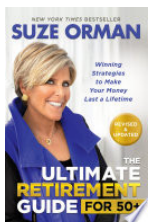
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The Trouble of Color by Martha Jones

An “intimate and searching” (Natasha Trethewey, New York Times–bestselling author of Memorial Drive) memoir of family, color, and being Black, white, and other in America, from “one of our country’s greatest historians” (Clint Smith, #1 New York Times–bestselling author of How the Word is Passed) Martha S.

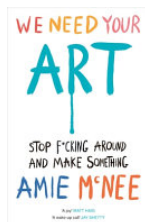
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The Ultimate Retirement Guide for 50+ by Suze Orman

The instant NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER WALL STREET JOURNAL BESTSELLER PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLER USA TODAY BESTSELLER #1 PERSONAL FINANCE EXPERT Now in paperback, revised & updated for 2025 THE PATH TO YOUR ULTIMATE RETIREMENT STARTS RIGHT HERE!

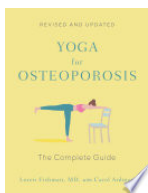
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We Need Your Art by Amie McNee

WHAT YOU MAKE MATTERS. From Amie McNee, the voice behind Inspired to Write, a manifesto on the vital, human importance of creating, with guidance for all artists in all endeavours, whether they're starting their journey or seeking a fresh perspective.

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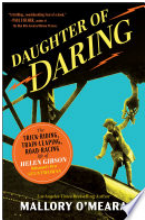
Yoga for Osteoporosis by Loren Fishman with Carol Ardman

A renowned physician's comprehensive and user-friendly yoga program designed to assist in the management and prevention of osteoporosis, with more than 350 illustrations. Forty-four million Americans suffer from low

bone mass, and osteoporosis is responsible for more than 1.5 million fractures annually.

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Biography



Daughter of Daring by Mallory O'Meara

From Los Angeles Times bestselling author Mallory O'Meara, the exhilarating story of America's first professional stuntwoman, Helen Gibson, who worked during a time when women ruled Hollywood Helen Gibson was willing to do anything to give audiences a thrill.

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Lorne by Susan Morrison

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • The definitive biography of Lorne Michaels, the man behind America's most beloved comedy show "The kind of biographical monument usually consecrated to founding fathers, canonical authors and world-historical scientific geniuses."—The New York Times (Editors' Choice) "Readers are treated to the Holy Grail for any journalist hoping to crack the show: a warts-and-all week in the life of SNL, where Morrison gets to see the real process of putting the thing together."—Variety Over the fifty years that Lorne Michaels has been at the helm of Saturday Night Live, he has become a revered and inimitable presence in the entertainment world.

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Notes to John by Joan Didion

An extraordinary work from the author of The Year of Magical Thinking and Blue Nights In November 1999, Joan Didion began seeing a psychiatrist because, as she wrote to a friend, her family had had "a rough few years." She described the sessions in a journal she created for her husband, John Gregory Dunne.

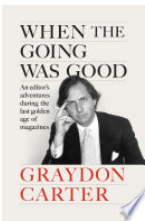
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Untangling by Joan K. Peters

With the drama of a novel, Untangling: A Memoir of Psychoanalysis tells the story of a turbulent and transformative psychoanalysis in this first ever in-depth patient's account. Joan K. Peters's story lays bare the inner workings of this complex treatment, which takes place behind closed doors, is rarely spoken about, and is largely unknown outside of professional circles.

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When the Going Was Good by Graydon Carter

From the pages of Vanity Fair to the red carpets of Hollywood, editor Graydon Carter's memoir revives the glamorous heyday of print magazines when they were at the vanguard of American culture When Graydon Carter was offered the editorship of Vanity Fair in 1992, he knew he faced an uphill battle—how to make the esteemed and long-established magazine his own.

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