

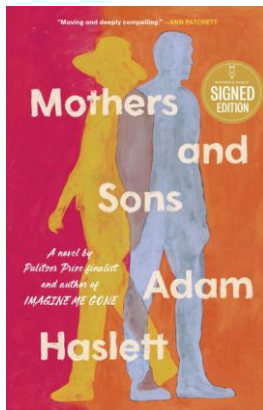
# The Most Anticipated Books of Winter 2025

## Bedford Free Library



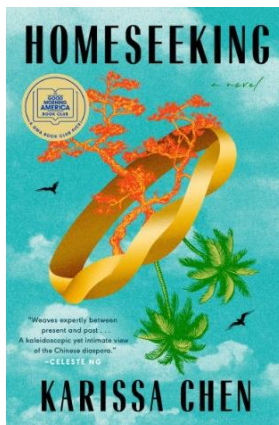
By Mischa, Berlinski

Feeling pressure from an upcoming role as Cleopatra, celebrated stage actress Mona Zahid runs out on her husband and in-laws on Thanksgiving morning to seek her estranged mentor, Milton Katz, beginning an overnight adventure that brings her face-to-face with her past, her creative power, and her limitations.



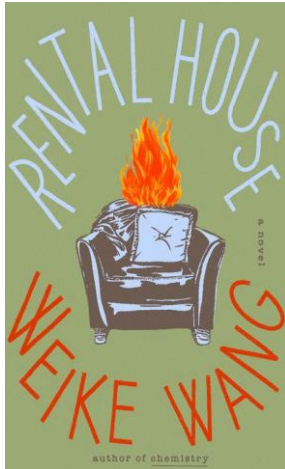
by Adam Haslett

A mother and son, estranged for years, must grapple with the shared secret that drove their lives apart in this enthralling story about family, forgiveness, and how a fleeting act of violence can change a life forever, by "one of the country's most talented writers."



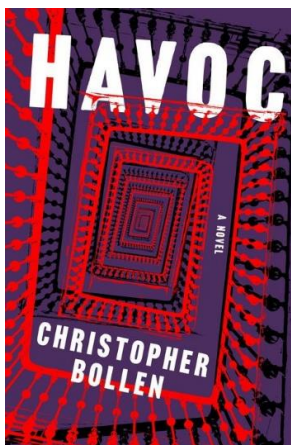
Homeseeking  
by Karissa Chen

From WWII to 2008, this deeply moving story as world events pull them together and apart, illuminating the Chinese diaspora and exploring what it means to find home far from your homeland. follows one couple across sixty years.



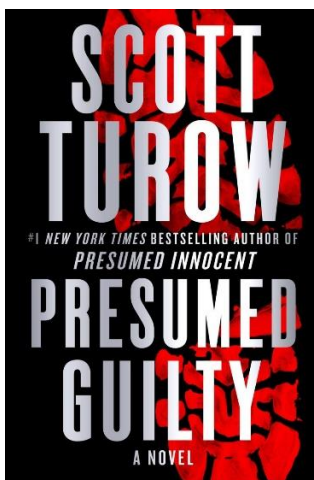
## Rental House by Weike Wang

From the award-winning author of *Chemistry*, a sharp-witted, insightful novel about a marriage as seen through the lens of two family vacations. ONE OF NPR'S "BOOKS WE LOVE!"



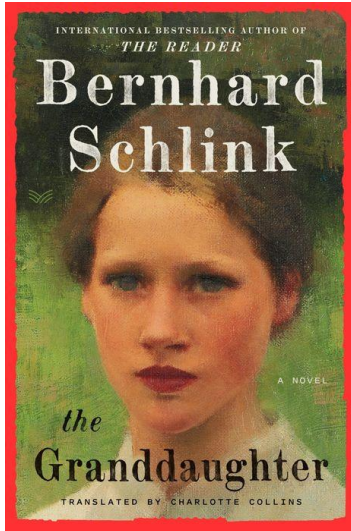
## Havoc by Christopher Bollen

A propulsive, addictively-readable breakout from the critically acclaimed author of *A Beautiful Crime* and *The Lost Americans*, *Havoc* is brilliant, twisty psychological suspense that will get under your skin like the most unforgettable Hitchcock classics.



## Presumed Guilty by Scott Turow

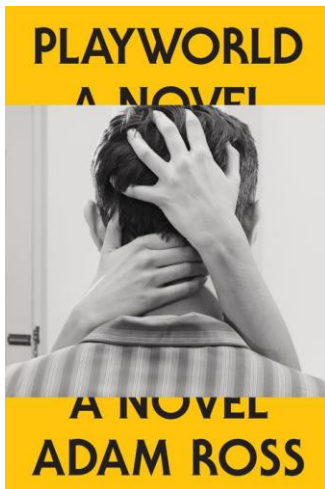
Scott Turow's latest takes Rusty back into the courtroom with a case that's too close for comfort. Tense and thrilling, Turow examines the idea of 'innocent until proven guilty' like only a former attorney can.



## The Granddaughter by Bernhard Schlink

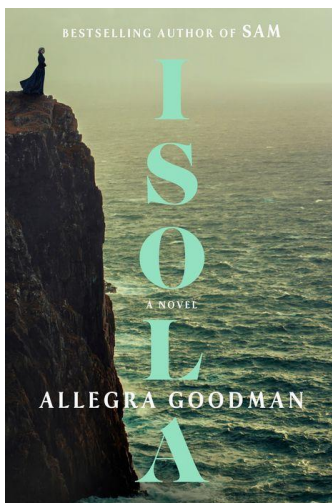
From the bestselling author of *The Reader*, a striking exploration of the past, told through the story of a German bookseller's attempt to connect with his radicalized granddaughter.

More than twenty-five years after *The Reader*, Bernhard Schlink once again offers a masterfully gripping novel that powerfully probes the past's role in contemporary life.



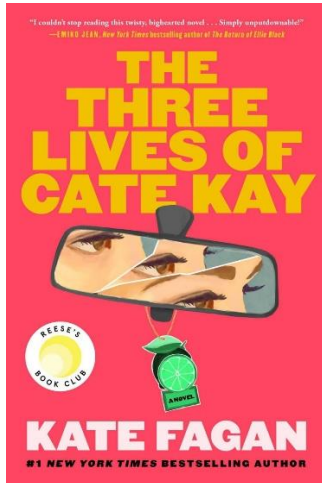
## Playworld by Adam Ross

A big and big-hearted novel—one enthralling, transformative year in the life of a child actor coming of age in a bygone Manhattan, from the critically acclaimed author of *Mr. Peanut*. Sharp and immersive, it takes readers into the heart of family dysfunction and coming-of-age in 1980s New York City.



## Isola by Allegra Goodman

A story of courage and isolation, Allegra Goodman's latest is the astonishing fictionalized account of French noblewoman Marguerite de la Rocque de Roberval. *Titanic* meets *The Revenant* in this sweeping tale of companionship against all odds. “An extraordinary book that reads like a thriller, written with the care of the most delicate psychological and historical fiction.”—*Vogue* (Best of 2025 Preview)



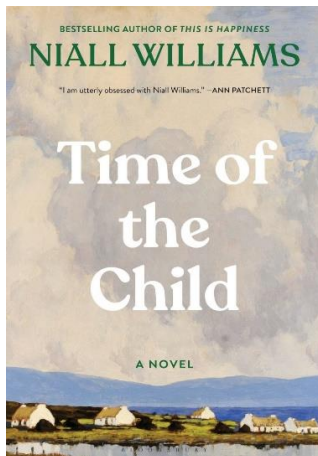
## The Three Lives of Cate Kay

by Kate Fagan

A tale about identity, coming-of-age, friendship and love, *The Three Lives of Cate Kay* is a dazzling, big-hearted journey.

**REESE'S BOOK CLUB PICK!**

**"This story swept me away with its big dreams, love, and unexpected twists." — (Reese's Book Club January '25 Pick)**

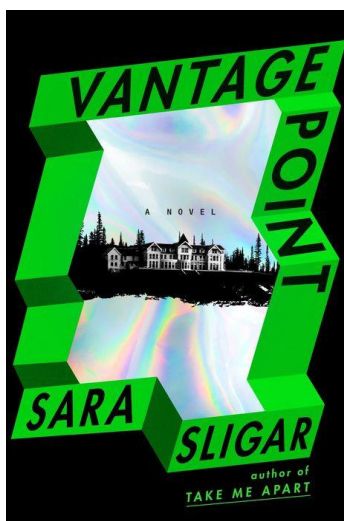


## Time of the Child

by Niall Williams

A tender tale in the heart of County Clare follows a father and daughter in the wake of life's never ending surprises. By the author of the beloved novel, *THIS IS HAPPINES*.

**"The writing in this book is lyrical . . . a beautiful book that you will love." -Good Morning America's #1 Favorite Book of the Year.**



## Vantage Point

by Sara Sligar

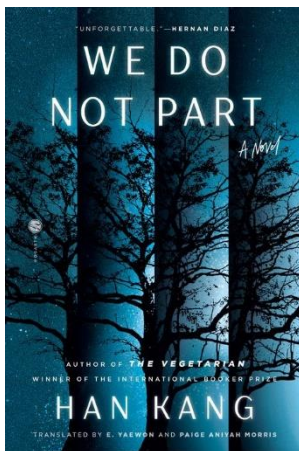
The old-money Wieland family has it all—wealth, status, power. They're also famously cursed *Succession* meets Megan Abbott in this seductive, technological suspense about the dramatic downfall of one of America's most affluent families.



## The Stolen Queen

by [Fiona Davis](#)

From *New York Times* bestselling author Fiona Davis, an utterly addictive new novel that will transport you from New York City's most glamorous party to the labyrinth streets of Cairo and back. Plenty of historical substance in this rousing adventure.

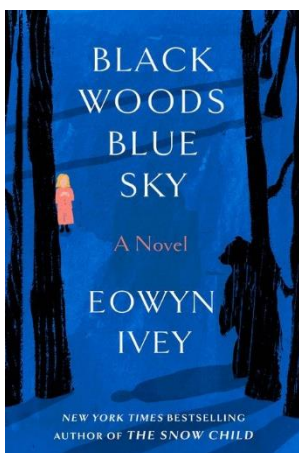


## We Do Not Part

by [Han Kang](#)

**THE NEW NOVEL FROM HAN KANG, WINNER OF THE 2024 NOBEL PRIZE IN LITERATURE**

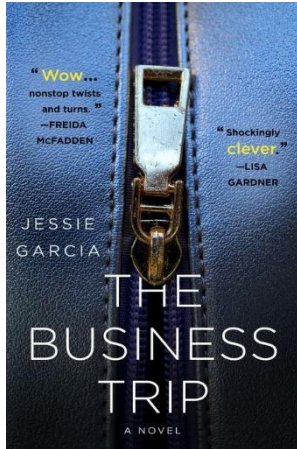
Han Kang's most revelatory book since *The Vegetarian*, *We Do Not Part* tells the story of a friendship between two women while powerfully reckoning with a hidden chapter in Korean history.



## Black Woods, Blue Sky

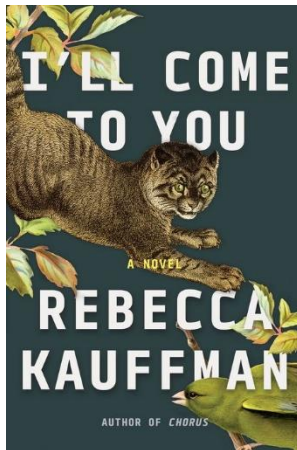
by [Eowyn Ivey](#)

Pulitzer Prize finalist and *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Snow Child* Eowyn Ivey returns to the mythical landscapes of Alaska with an unforgettable dark fairy tale that asks the question: Can love save us from ourselves?



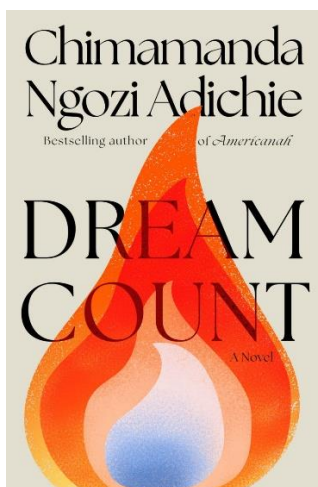
## The Business Trip by Jesse Garcia

Stephanie and Jasmine have nothing and everything in common. The two women don't know each other but are on the same plane. Stephanie is on a business trip and Jasmine is fleeing an abusive relationship. Then they both disappear. A gripping, page-turning debut from author Jessie Garcia.



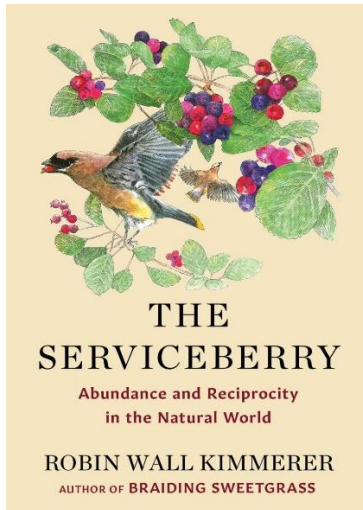
## I'll Come To You by Rebecca Kauffman

A modern and classic story of family that chronicles intersecting lives over the course of one year—1995—anchored by the anticipation and arrival of a child. With empathy, insight, and humor, Rebecca Kauffman explores overlapping narratives involving a couple whose struggle to become pregnant has both softened and hardened them.



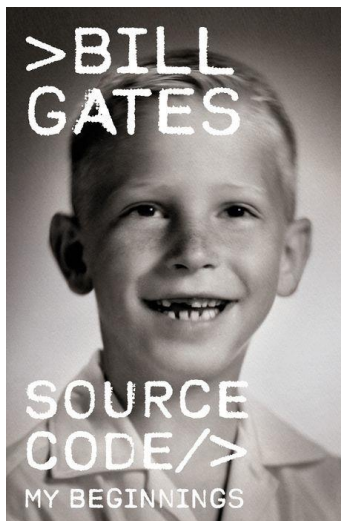
## Dream Count by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

A publishing event ten years in the making—a searing, exquisite new novel by the bestselling and award-winning author of *Americanah* and *We Should All Be Feminists*—the story of four women and their loves, longings, and desires. MARCH RELEASE!



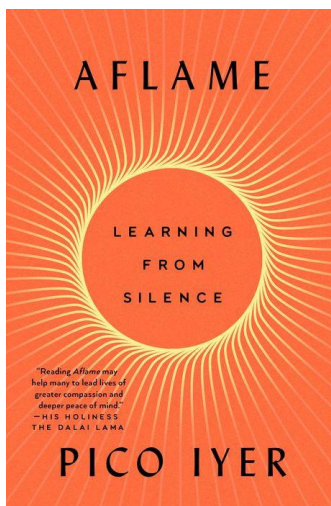
## The Serviceberry by Robin Wall Kimmerer

From the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Braiding Sweetgrass*, a bold and inspiring vision for how to orient our lives around gratitude, reciprocity, and community, based on the lessons of the natural world.



## Source Code by Bill Gates

The origin story of one of the most influential and transformative business leaders and philanthropists of the modern age. In *Source Code*, he finally opens up, from being a misfit child to nearly getting kicked out of college. It's an interesting — and surprising — portrait of the beginnings of the larger-than-life personality that quite literally changed the world.



## Aflame by Pico Iyer

Radiant, intimate, and gripping, *Aflame* offers ageless counsel about the power of silence and what it can teach us about how to live, how to love, and, ultimately, how to die. From the bestselling author of *The Art of Stillness*, a revelatory exploration of the abiding clarity and calm to be found in quiet retreat.