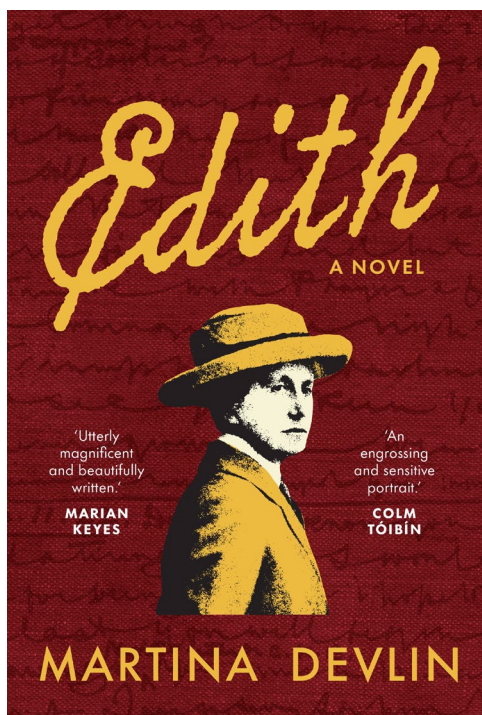


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Edith

May 2022

Martina Devlin

ISBN 9781843518303

RRP €16

PB

- Set in Castletownshend, greater West Cork and Dublin, this novel paints a portrait of author Edith Somerville at a crucial time in her life.
- Edith Somerville rose to literary success with her writing partner, Violet Martin (Martin Ross) with The Irish R.M. series – which were turned into a successful TV show in the 1980s.
- This novel is populated by humorous, lively and wide-ranging characters which became the inspiration for the Irish R.M.
- Includes a fascinating portrayal of Edith's connection to Violet Martin after her death via séances and automatic writing.



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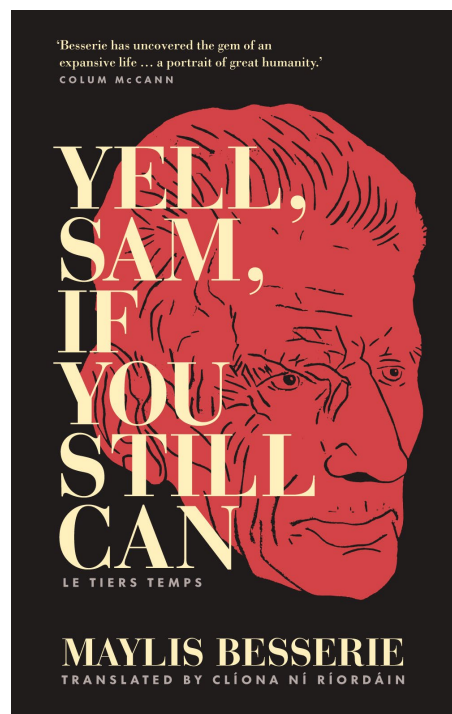
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Yell, Sam, If You Still Can

June 2022

Maylis Besserie, trans. Cliona Ní Riordáin RRP €15

ISBN 9781843518341

PB

- A first-person fictional account of Samuel Beckett's last days in a retirement home in Paris, translated from the award-winning French novel.
- It is as if Beckett has come to live in one of his own stage productions, peopled with strange, unhinged individuals, waiting for the end of days.
- This novel is filled with voices. From diary notes to clinical reports to daily menus, cool medical voices provide a counterpoint to Beckett himself, who reflects on his increasingly fragile existence.
- This would make an excellent one-actor stage play or single actor film – it has already had a successful run as a play in France this autumn.



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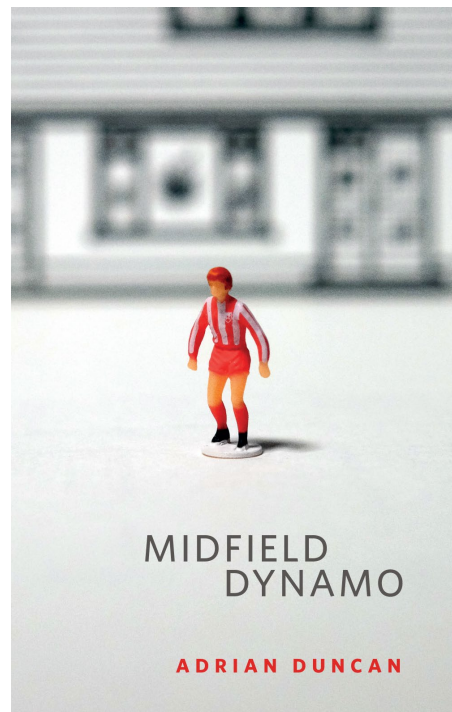
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Midfield Dynamo

March 2021

Adrian Duncan

ISBN 9781843518082

RRP €12

PB

- This is the first short story collection from award-winning author and filmmaker Adrian Duncan. It was longlisted for the Edge Hill Short Story Prize in 2021.
- The prose is spare, precise and imagistic, the humour dark and absurdist, shot through with an underlying humanity that has become the trademark of this remarkable writer.
- The collection follows diverse stories, from children living in a tumbledown bungalow to a football game played by Croatian player Prosinečki to an engineer dealing with family trauma in Abu Dhabi.
- *While looking at a starting eleven and imagining the team's possible patterns of movement on the field of play, one question always prevails: What is behind all of this?'*



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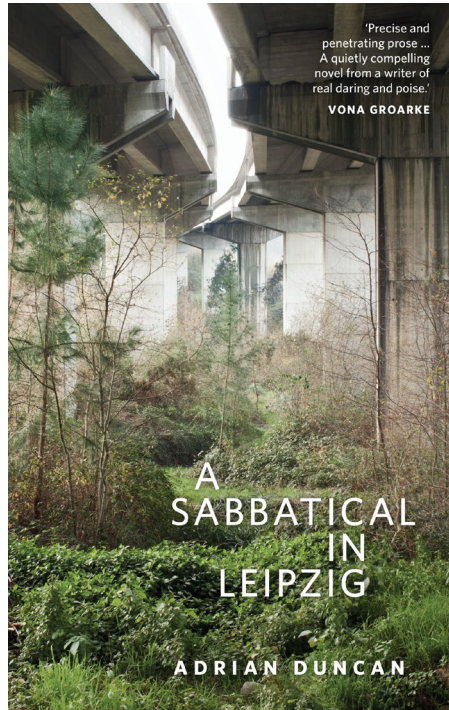
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A Sabbatical in Leipzig

March 2020

Adrian Duncan

ISBN 9781843517764

RRP €15

PB

- This novel follows a single morning in the life of Michael, an engineer, as he grieves the loss of his partner while living in Bilbao. He reflects on his childhood in the boglands of Ireland and the bridges he has built around the world.
- Over the course of 45 minutes before he leaves his apartment, Michael reflects on past projects and how they have endured, the landscape of his adolescence, and his relationship with Catherine.
- This novel was shortlisted for the Kerry Group Novel of the Year Award 2020 and would be suitable for a one-actor play or short film.



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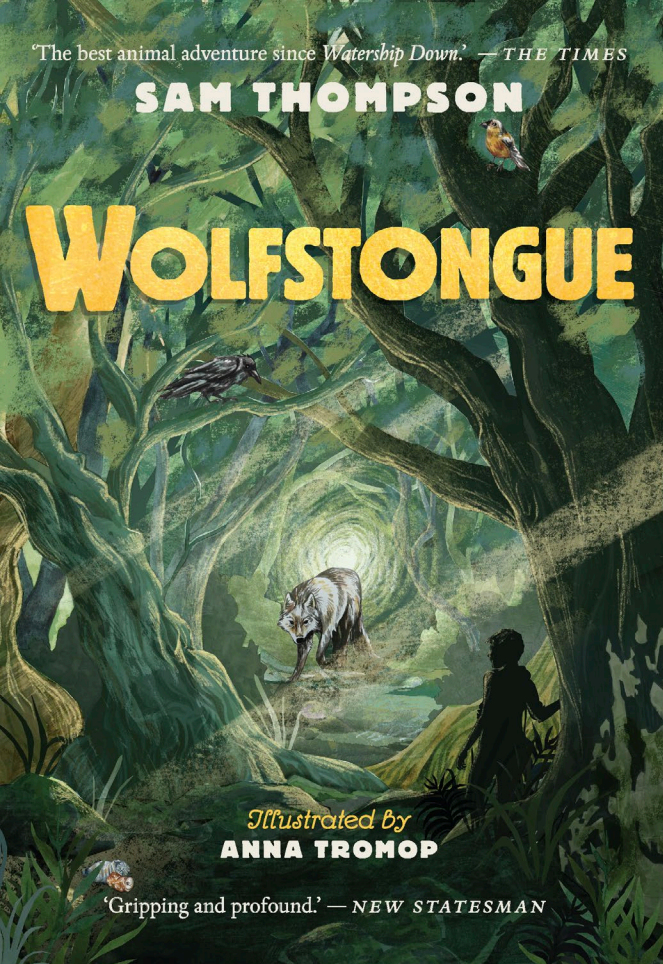
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Wolfstongue

Sam Thompson, illus. by Anna Tromop



A boy with a speech impediment, enters the hidden world of the Forest, where language is power. Silas befriends Isengrim and Hersent, the last wolves in the wild. When foxes steal the wolves' pups and take them to their underground city, Silas must find his voice to speak on behalf of his friends.

"The best animal adventure since Watership Down." — The Times

"A stirring fantasy." — The Wall Street Journal

"A hugely original tale." — The Irish Times

*"Filled with a sense of profound meaning and significance without ever feeling preachy."
— BookTrust*

"As in George Orwell's Animal Farm, the dynamics of oppression and resistance that play out between animals mirror those between humans." — The New York Times

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Are you ready to enter the Forest?

'Grehan's verse flows like water.' — *Gay Community News*

BABY TEETH



Baby Teeth

Meg Grehan



Queer vampire romance as you haven't seen it before

Immy and Claudia fall in love. But romance between vampire and human cannot last: for the blood feeds the hunger that threatens everything.

A Kirkus YA Book of the Year 2022

Nominated for the Carnegie Medal 2023

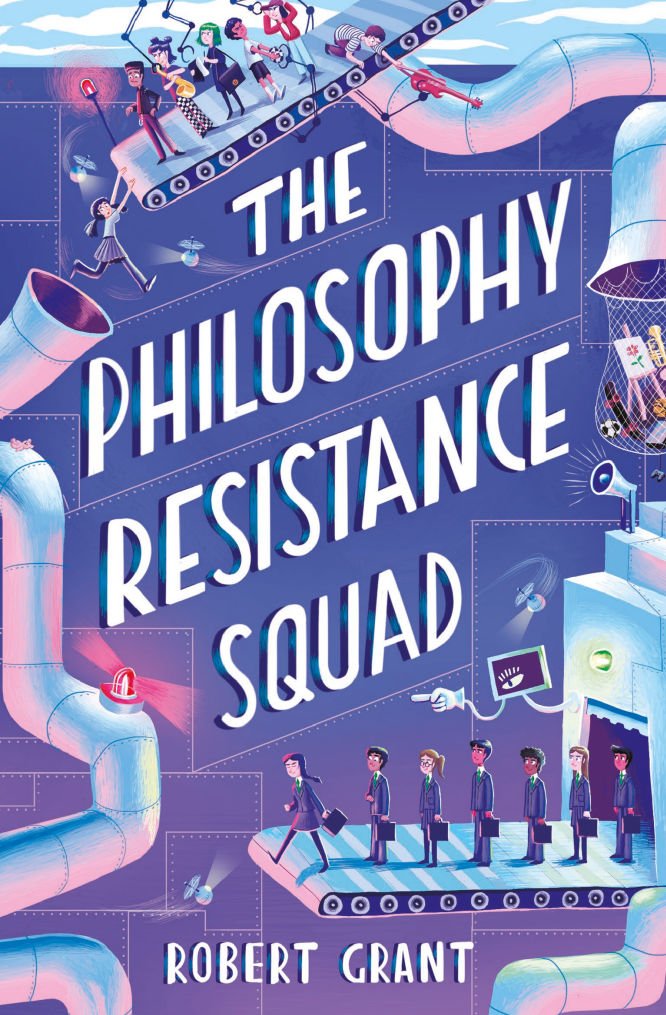
"Emotionally rich and gloriously queer." — *Kirkus*, starred review

"By linking vampirism to themes of queer desire and community as well as repeating personal cycles, Grehan freshens an old trope." — *Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"Grehan's verse novel skilfully charts uncertainty, temptation and the course of a strange, desperate love." — *The Guardian*

"An intense, immersive read from one of Ireland's most interesting and innovative young writers." — *Irish Independent*

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The Philosophy Resistance Squad

Rob Grant



Philosophical thinking introduced via a gripping plot about a high-tech school with a wicked headmaster

Milo is proud to get a scholarship to the most prestigious secondary school, the Secondary Training Institute for Lifelong Education (STIFLE). He is dismayed to discover an evil regime working to destroy students' creativity and critical thinking.

With the help of Ursula, the gardner, Milo sets up the Philosophy Resistance Squad to undermine the regime with the power of critical thinking!

Does technology make life better or worse?

Would it be better to live forever?

When should you obey authority – when should you challenge it?

Is it always wrong to lie?

Are guns always bad?

What is fairness?

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Big Bad Me

Aislinn O'Loughlin



Buffy the Vampire Slayer meets Gilmore Girls

Evie wilder just found out she's a vampire. Now her mom has gone missing, local teenagers are also disappearing, reports of animal attacks are increasing – and you can never find a vampire slayer when you need one.

"Brilliant and completely refreshing, and simply so much fun."

— Gina Blaxill, author of *You Can Trust Me*

"A new take on the world of werewolves that's fresh, fast-paced and funny. Adventure, witty dialogue and romance shot through with a delicious tingle of real horror – great fun!"

— Andreina Cordani, author of *Dead Lucky*

"Bloodily funny and appallingly enthralling, this YA debut is a crowd-pleaser for Buffy fans."

— *The Guardian*

"A must for Buffy fans young and old. Great fun." — *Irish Independent*

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'A wonderful storyteller'
Joseph O'Connor



things i know

helena close

From the award-winning author of *The Gone Book*

Things I Know

Helena Close



Things I know. I'm a bad person. I miss Finn. I could easily be a murderer.

Just before the Leaving Cert Saoirse's ex dies by suicide – and everyone blames Saoirse. She finds herself flailing in swirling waters of depression, and nobody can save her. Can Saoirse rescue the person she used to know?

Nominated for the Carnegie Medal 2023

"Close has a great ear for dialogue... Read it – and buy a second copy to thrust into the hands of the next platitude-utterer you encounter." — *The Irish Times*

"An accurate portrayal of a young person's challenges, this book is also full of hope, love and laughter." *The Sunday Independent*

"A bittersweet, honest look at loss and trauma." *Kirkus Reviews*

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Madame Lazare Tadhg Mac Dhonnagáin

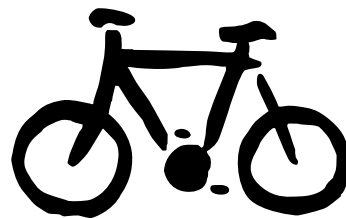


- Madame Lazare is the story of Levana, raised in a Jewish community in Paris by her secretive grandmother, Hana Lazare, who survived the war, the only member of her Estonian family to escape death. As Hana reaches the end of her life and becomes increasingly confused in her mind, memories suppressed for a lifetime begin to bubble to the surface, and Levana begins to realise that everything she knows about her grandmother is false. The trail leads from Brussels to Paris and finally, to the Aran Islands, as Levana discovers the true identity of Madame Lazare.
- The story is set in Brussels of the recent past, Paris of the 1990s and the Aran Islands of the 1930s and '40s and the present day. The action happens in French and Irish, so it has strong co-production potential. The book's structure could lend itself either to a feature film or limited series. The story-telling style is visual, the author having a background in screenwriting.
- Madame Lazare is an Irish Book Award winner and was Ireland's entry for the 2022 European Union Prize for Literature, where it was one of five novels awarded a special mention.
- An Estonian edition will be published in 2023, a Serbian version in 2024 and discussions are ongoing for a German edition, with sample translations also available in Spanish, Italian, French, Dutch and Czech. This story has international reach.

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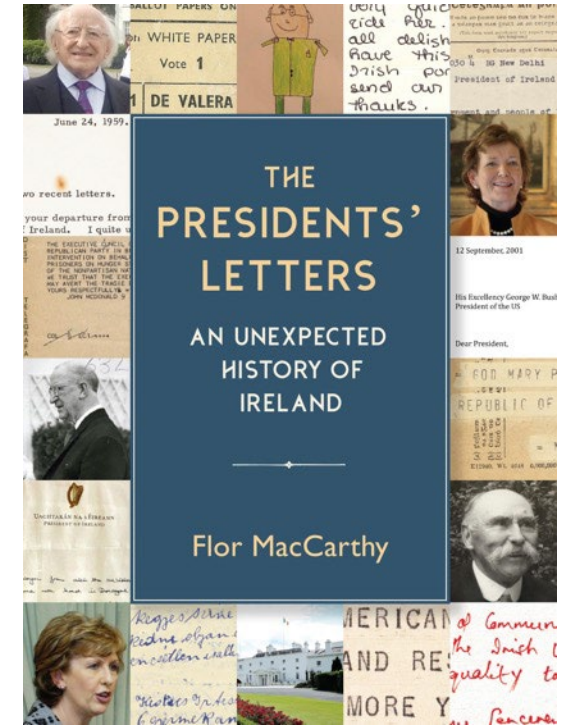


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THE PRESIDENTS' LETTERS

An Unexpected History of Ireland
by Flor MacCarthy

- A backstage pass to Irish history – was an Irish bestseller throughout autumn 2022
- Treasure trove of correspondence from the great and good and more importantly from Irish citizens at home and abroad
- Something for all the family, from the political chapters (e.g. O'Dalaigh offering himself in place of IRA kidnap victim) to cuteness factor of the children's chapter (e.g. Myles Geiran and Ireland's Eye)
- Conceived and edited by an experienced broadcaster
- Lots of archive footage available
- Featuring contributions by:
 - David McCullagh | Rory Montgomery | Martina Devlin | Catriona Crowe | Samantha Barry | Joseph O'Connor | Harry McGee | Lise Hand | Justine McCarthy | Paul Rouse | Terri Kearney

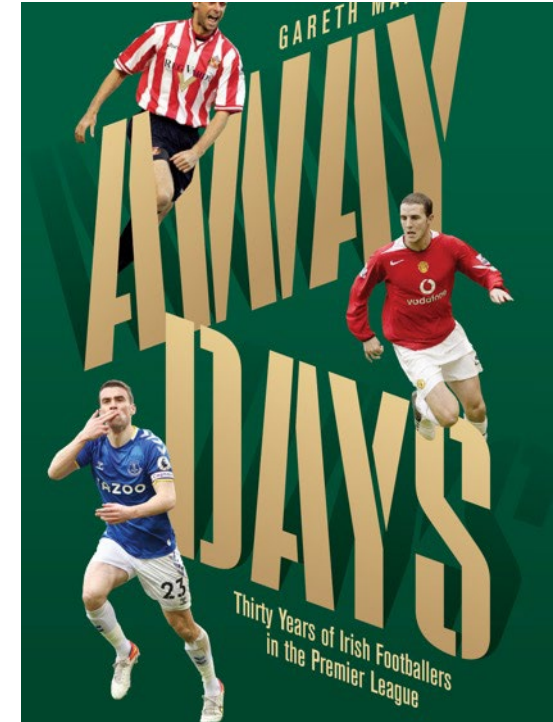


AWAY DAYS

30 Years of Irish Footballers in the Premier League

by Gareth Maher

- 30 players for 30 years, one for each season
- Featuring Seamus Coleman, John O'Dea, Niall Quinn, Shay Given, Jonathan Walters, Richard Dunne, Andrew Omobamidele and many more
- Crossing generations of fans and players from 1990s to now
- Not just about football as a sport, but full of human stories, e.g. Stephen Elliott growing up fast, Stephen Quinn on dealing with grief
- Chronicles change to football culture from Saturday afternoon to Sky Sports wall-to-wall coverage, money and celebrity status for players
- Screen comps: *Kerr's Kids*, *Frank O'Farrell: The Shadow of Busby*, *Playing Straight*
- Potential for talking heads format
- Lots of archive footage available

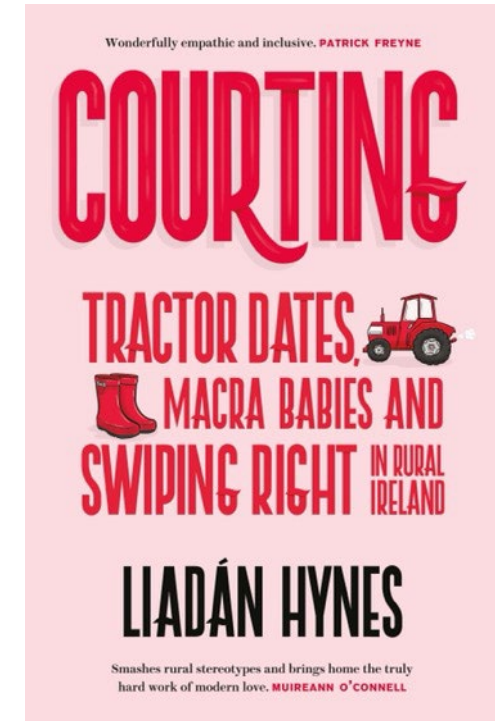


COURTING

Tractor Dates, Macra Babies and Swiping Right in Rural Ireland

by Liadán Hynes

- Honest and touching stories of trying to meet The One in a rural setting
- ‘Successful’ and ‘failed’ dating experiences explored with a variety of outcomes
- Well-known, experienced journalist offers balance between lived experienced and research, data
- Explore’s the role of technology and dating apps
- An insightful window into the diverse 21st-century dating landscape in rural Ireland through intimate interviews and wider socio-cultural commentary
- Diverse range of interviewees with refreshing viewpoints from monogamous and polyamorous individuals to transgender farmers and single parents
- Single documentary or limited series
- Screen Comps: Farmer Wants a Wife, The Change: Ireland’s Menopause Story, The Irish Wedding

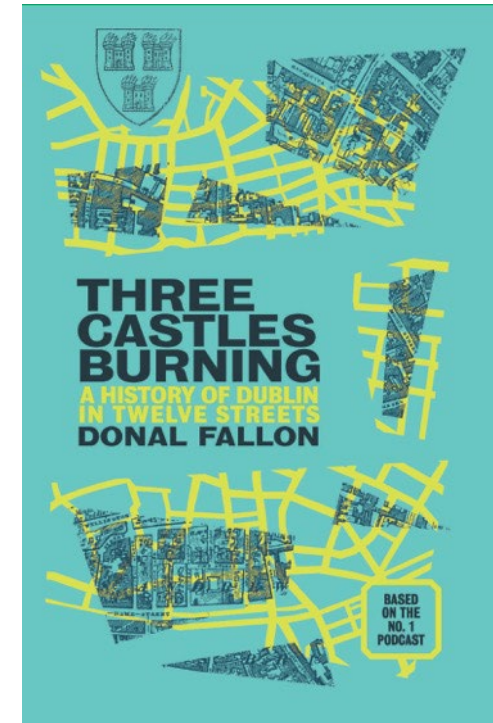


THREE CASTLES BURNING

A History of Dublin in Twelve Streets

by Donal Fallon

- Autumn 22 bestseller over successive weeks
- Based on popular history podcast @ThreeCastlesBurning
- Local and social history including personal stories that champion the activists, workers, architects, poets, migrants, artists and merchants of Dublin
- A unique history of Dublin covering 12 streets: Henrietta Street, Watling Street, Fishamble Street, Rathmines Road Lower, South William Street, Parnell street East, James Joyce Street, Ship Street, Church Street, Eustace Street, Pearse Street, Moore Street
- Author is an established, authoritative voice in Dublin history with a growing profile (recently presented *Brainstorm* series on RTÉ)

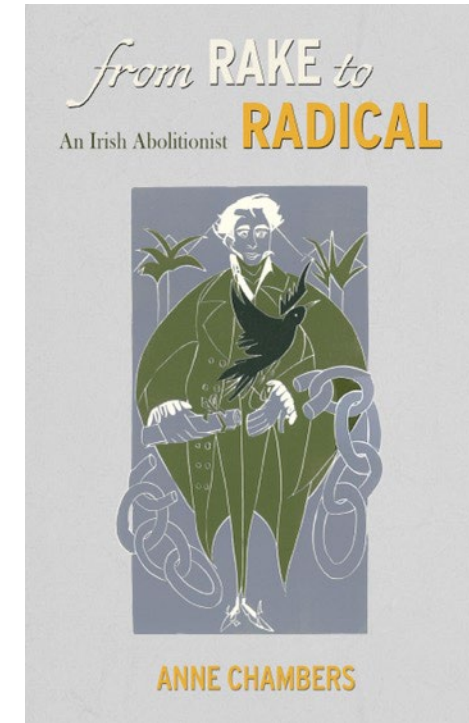


FROM RAKE TO RADICAL

An Irish Abolitionist

by Anne Chambers

- Fascinating character with wide-ranging life, from Regency buck to passionate abolitionist and reforming landlord
- Privileged, compassionate, charismatic and flawed, Howe Peter Browne, 2nd Marquess of Sligo was a larger-than-life figure
- Topical themes around slavery and abolition – while charged with implementing the Emancipation Act in Jamaica, he made enemies of his own class in his defence of and advocacy for the black population
- Either feature film or documentary
- Author, known for her biography of Grace O'Malley, has a background in screenwriting and other documentaries

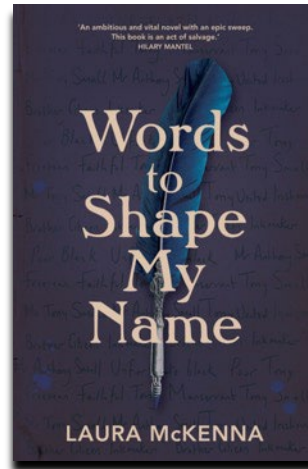
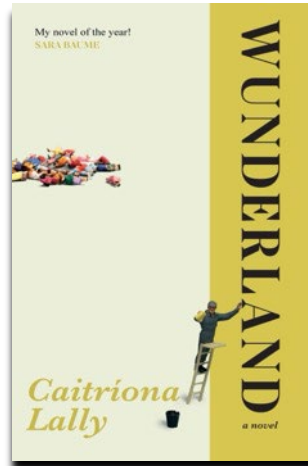


WUNDERLAND

by Caitriona Lally

Exiled from Ireland under dubious circumstances, Roy now works as a cleaner at the Wunderland miniature exhibition in Hamburg. Struggling to connect with those around him, he commits secret acts of violence against the tiny scenes and figurines on display. Then, to Roy's palpable annoyance, his sister Gert visits, carrying a threadbare hope that she might finally figure him out.

- Perfect for a short film
- Set in a miniature railway exhibition in Hamburg
- Limited cast – two quirky, unforgettable characters, each carrying their own baggage



WORDS TO SHAPE MY NAME

by Laura McKenna

The epic journey of a former South Carolina slave into the heart of Revolutionary Ireland.

The story of Tony Small and his complicated friendship with his master, Lord Edward Fitzgerald.

Inspired by true events, from war in South Carolina to the genteel drawing rooms of Kildare, from the colonial politics of London to the intrigue and simmering resentments of Dublin, *Words to Shape My Name* imagines the powerful story that Tony Small might have told, one of hope, failure, resilience and an unbreakable bond.

- Ripe for a gorgeous historical feature
- Topical story that gives voice to a marginalized figure in Irish history

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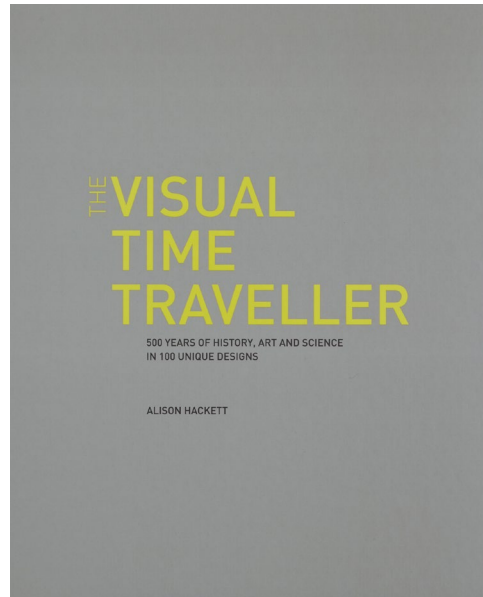
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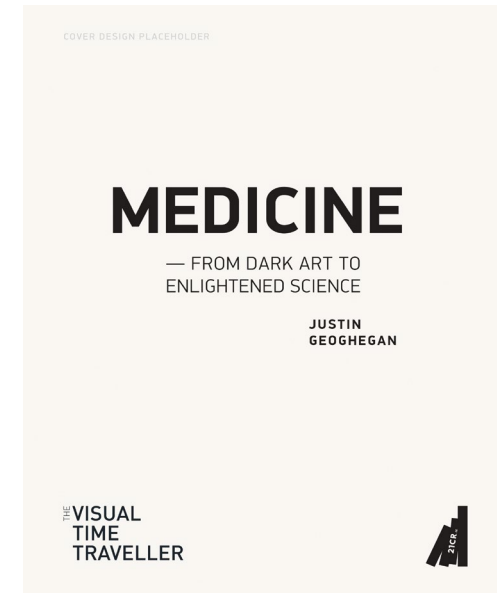
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Liver Transplant Surgeon

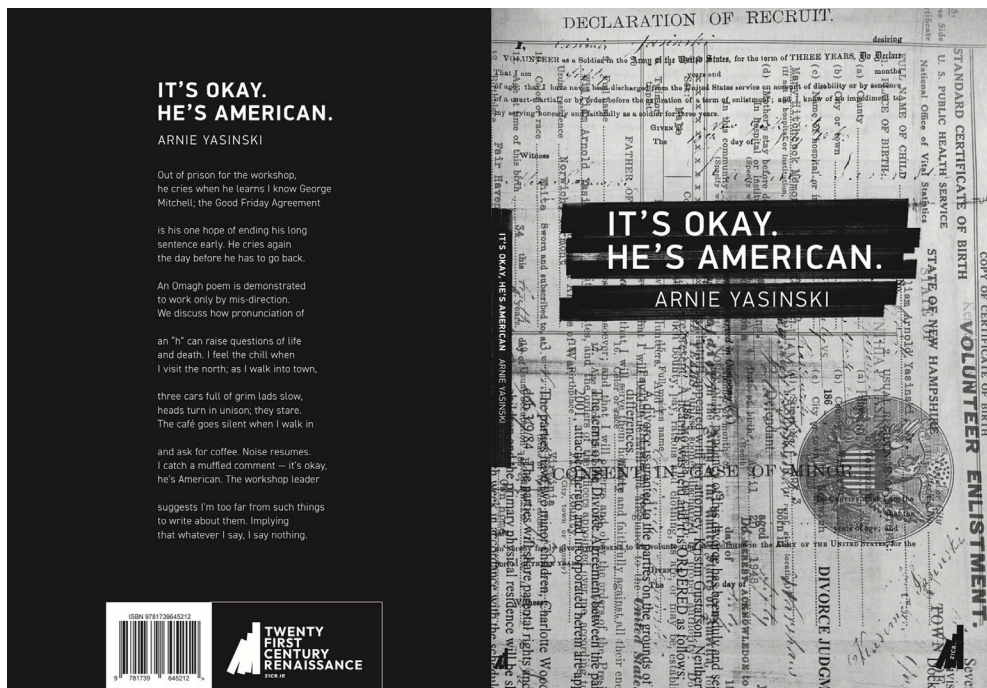
A march through the history of medicine since ancient history visualised in design and illustration interwoven with facts as belief shifted from the dark art of witchcraft to the enlightenment when scientific truth shed light on the human body.

“The French democratised it,
the Germans systematised it,
the Anglo-Americans modernised it.”

Justin Geoghegan



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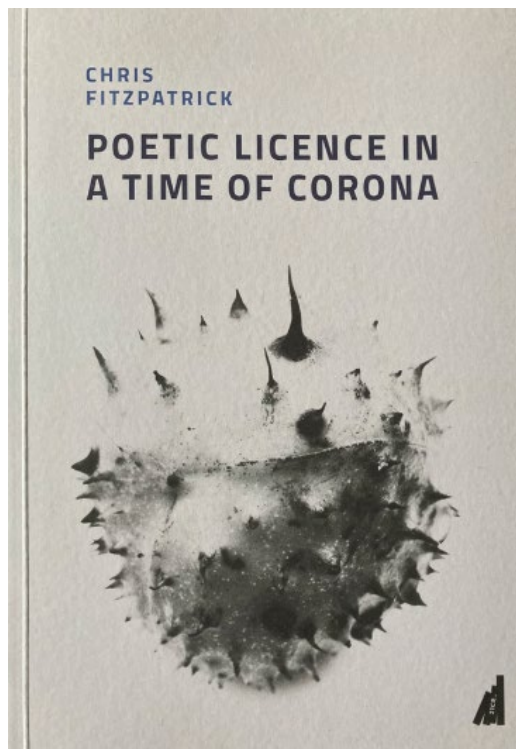
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An American makes sense of living in Ireland with his second wife; knows how the stasis of 'Waiting for Godot' is everywhere — in the inertia of an underlying passivity he hears again and again, in knowing how the Irish avoid pain by averting their eyes from the abyss.

Every poem tells a story in Arnie's three collections: as a young man finding himself become a parent aged 20, to the fear of the draft lottery of 1968, to the cruelty of his Irish wife's (alcoholic) mother.



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POETIC LICENCE IN A TIME OF CORONA

Chris Fitzpatrick

ISBN: 9780992736880

Publication: May 2022

A medic finds healing for himself by writing untitled poems on his phone as the pandemic grips. A list-poem of what to do when someone can't breathe (and why you wouldn't kneel on their neck); wondering why Lionel Richie keeps sending him emails; reading a letter from the Liverpool Football Club manager, Jürgen Klopp, to his brother who is dying. From Dolly Parton's support for vaccines to channelling Thomas Cromwell (à la Hilary Mantel) while walking with his dog. There is healing in this debut 'album' of untitled poems: a poignant memoir reflecting one man (and all of us) during those two extraordinary years: 2020—2022.

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No Tempest now, only my brother sleeping &
the soft *shush* of his pneumatic mattress –
caressing the silence between us.

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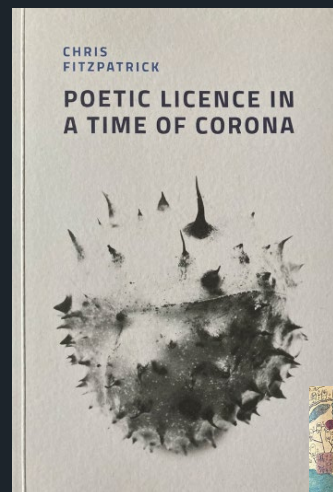


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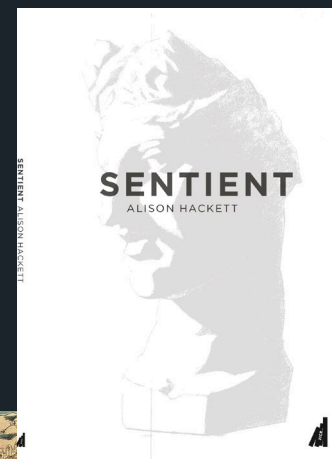
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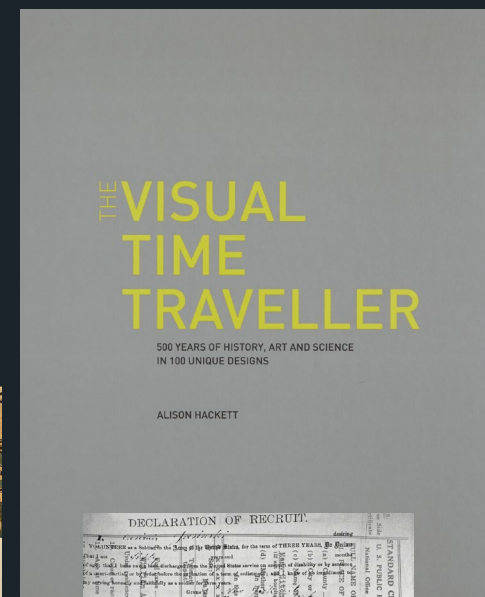


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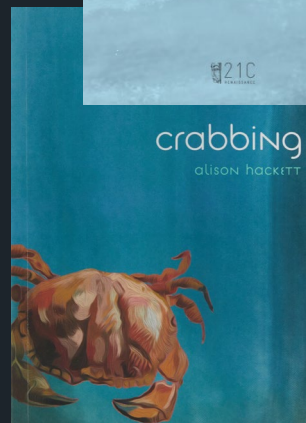
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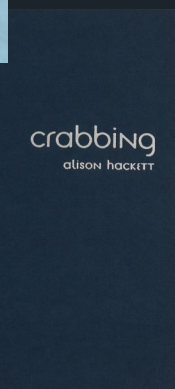
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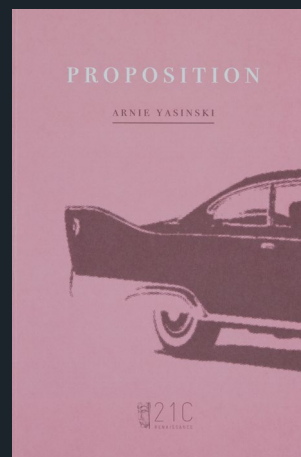
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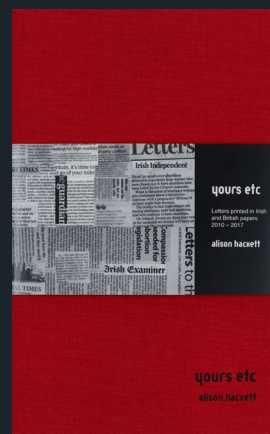


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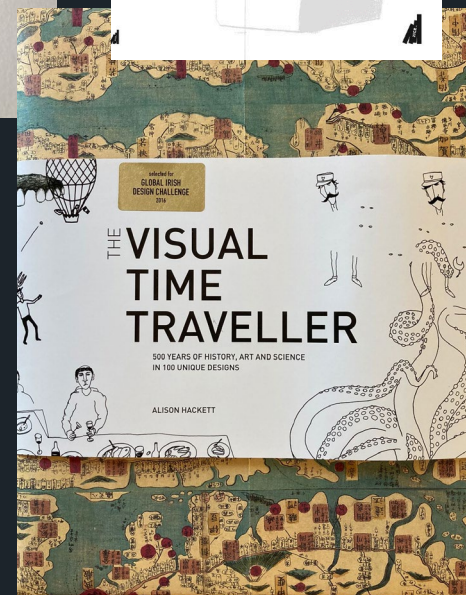
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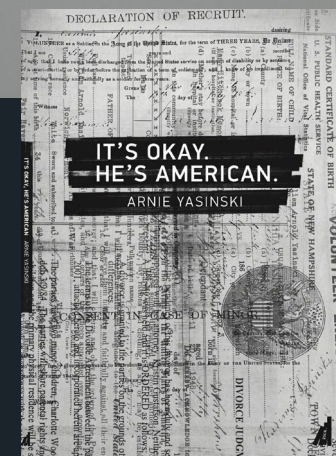
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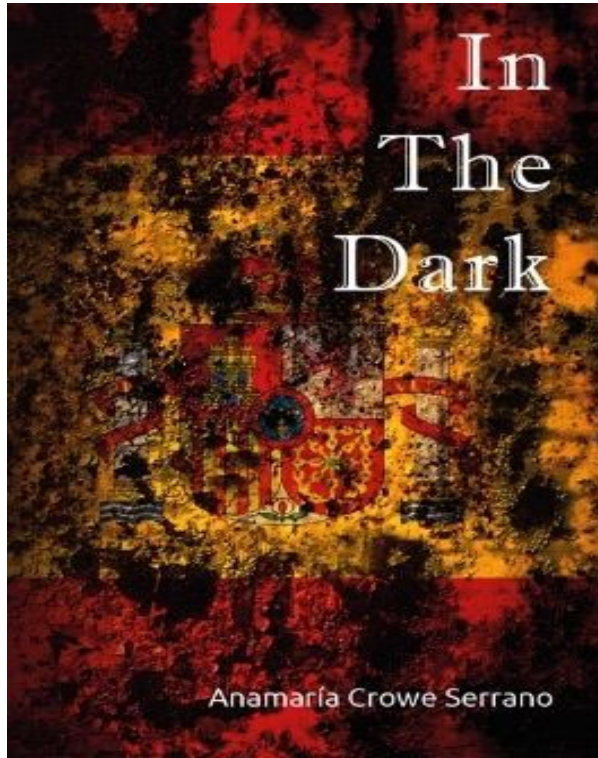
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Title In The Dark **Author** Anamaría Crowe Serrano RRP €14
Pub Date June, 2021 **ISBN** 978-1-913598-16-7 **PB**

- Audience: adults
- Set in Spain, during the Spanish Civil War
- A family's struggles during wartime, while sheltering a deserter from the fighting
- Teruel, north east Spain, winter 1937. The civil war is raging. Franco's nationalist rebels surround the city.
- María and her sister Julita, entrenched on different sides of the conflict, mourn their lost loved ones. But only one of them knows that deep in the dark, a deserter from the conflict is hiding in a secret room in the house.
- *In The Dark* is a heart-rending tale of the bitter daily hardships of survival during war, of the struggle to discover truth from a multitude of truths – and of a love that yearns to transcend the conflict, no matter what the cost.

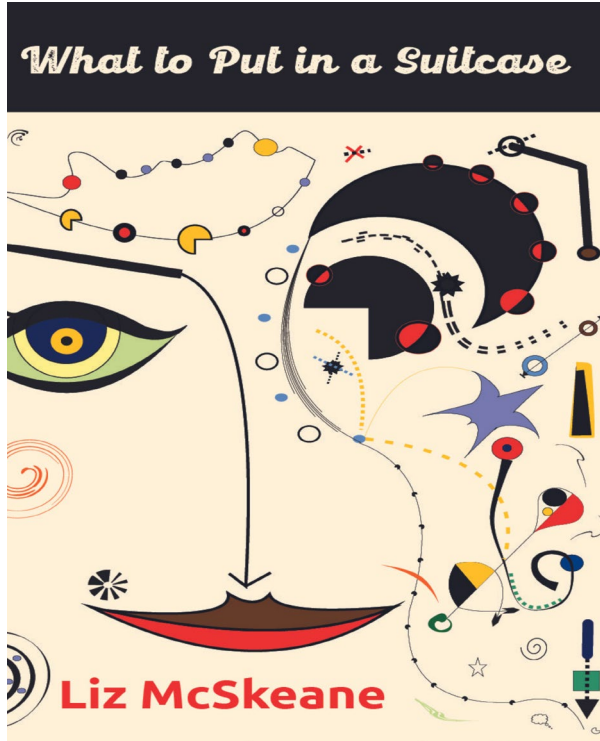


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Title What to Put in a Suitcase **Author** Liz McSkeane RRP €14

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Sixteen stories follow a cast of characters destined to navigate a world that is by turns perplexing, intriguing, threatening:

- *The Bargain*: a suburban dinner party whose hosts harbour a troubling secret;
- *Ambush*: a childhood prank in 1940s Dublin with tragic consequences that reverberate through the decades;
- *Regression Analysis*: the sinister challenge of walking along a deserted corridor;
- *Exodus*: a family fleeing environmental disaster in a Dublin of the near future;
- *Lebensraum*: a passionate defence of personal space, even if only in the local café.

These stories grapple with individual psychology and wider themes of justice and the place of individual in the political and social context of the modern world, at times seasoned with a sly humour.



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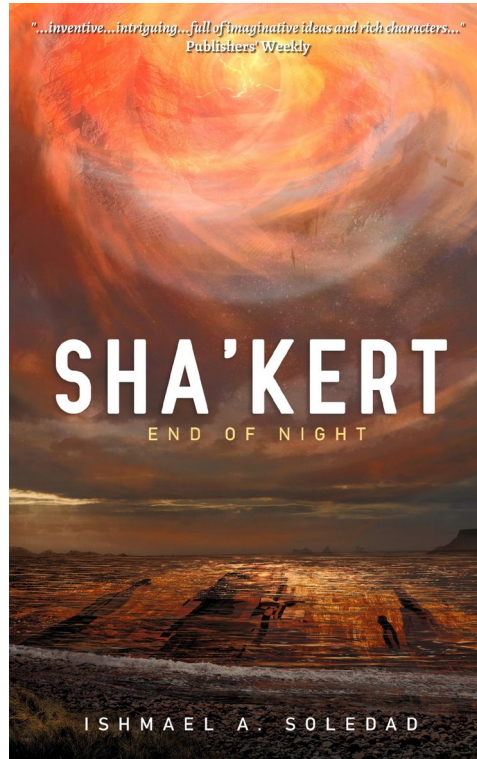
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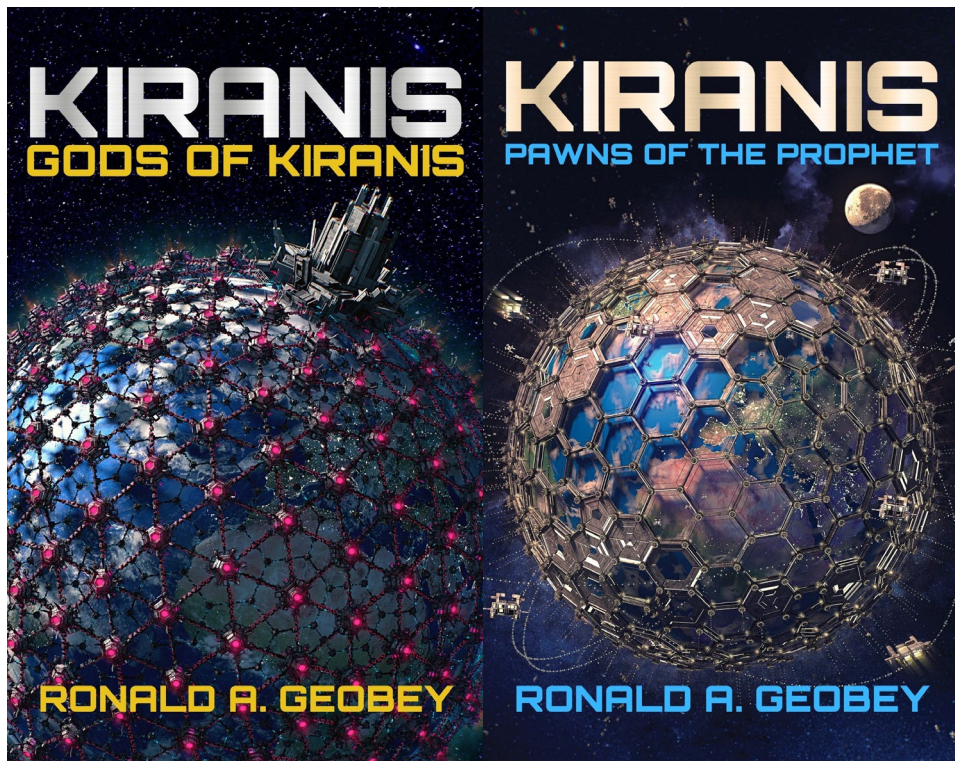


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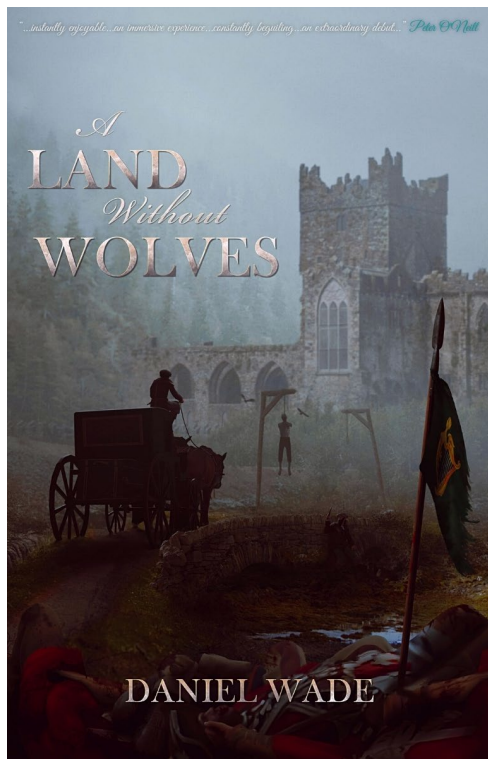
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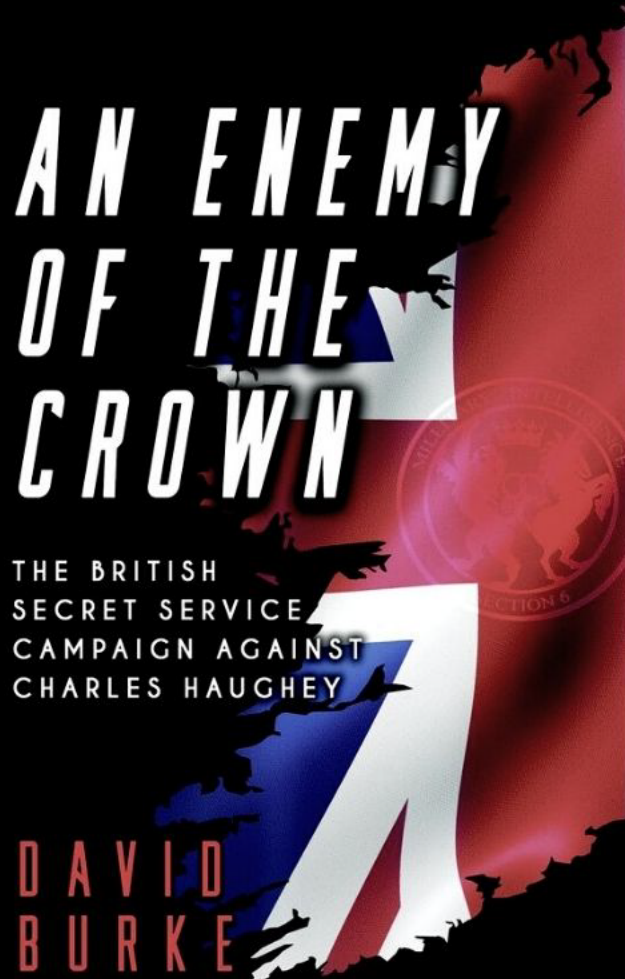
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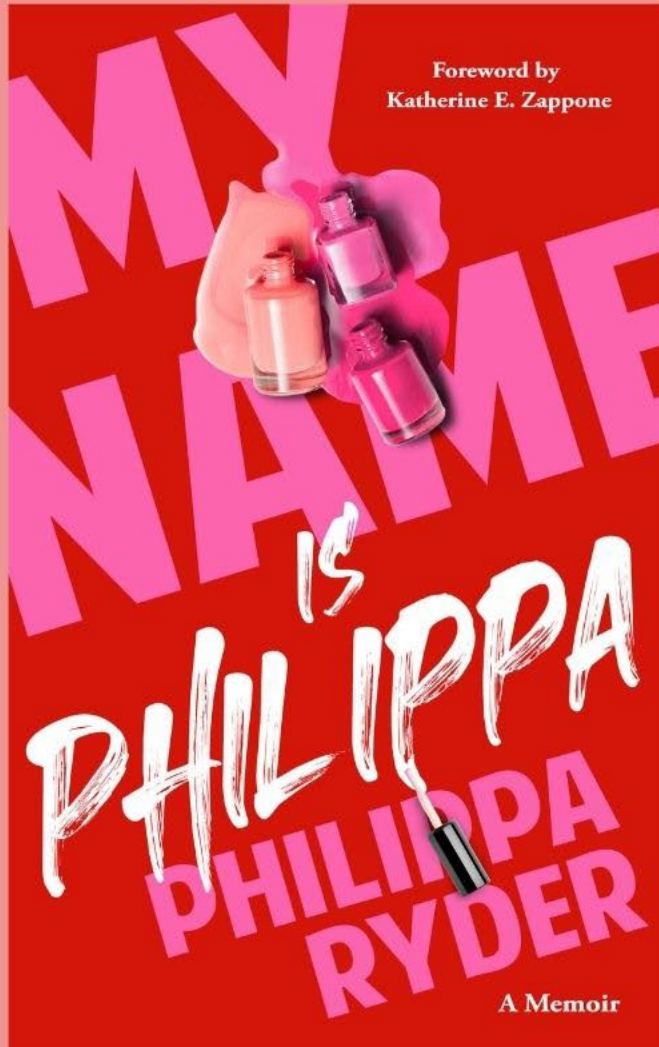
History, politics, intrigue!

- David Burke's 'explosive' new book which lifts the lid on the decade long British Secret Service Campaign against Charles Haughey.
 - Oldfield was conspiratorial by nature and lacked a moral compass. Involved in regime change plots and torture in the Middle East, in the Republic of Ireland he engaged with convicted criminals as agent provocateurs as well as the exploitation of pedophile rings in Northern Ireland. He and his spies engaged in dirty tricks as they ran vicious smear campaigns in Ireland.
 - Strong character based spymaster.
 - 'Queen Elizabeth II received briefings from fifteen chiefs of the British Secret Service during her 70-year reign, much of it about Ireland. The briefings undoubtedly covered a wide spectrum from Charles Haughey, the bogeyman of Irish politics - as the UK saw it - to Martin McGuinness and the murder of Lord Louis Mountbatten. In the modern era the communications of Prince Harry and his American wife are surely being monitored by Britain's vast espionage network, in particular, GCHQ.'
- David Burke, *Village Magazine*

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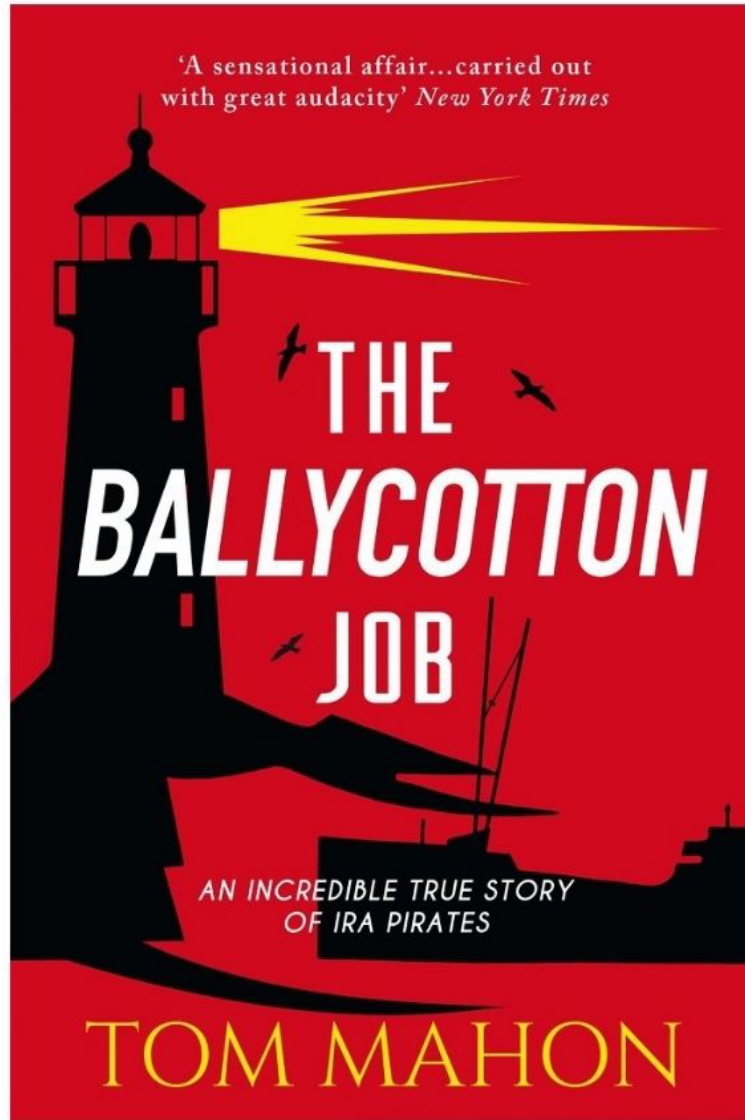
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A unique love story

- My Name is Philippa is a remarkable memoir, and above all, a story about love, understanding and a family who stuck together as Philippa moved from husband and father to wife and mother.
- With the support and help of her family Philippa transitioned from male to female but it wasn't an easy journey.
- "The thing is, when we were going through all this I came to the realisation that I had to make a choice. "We could have split up, many, many marriages split up, but I realised I wanted a living wife and not a dead husband. So many transgender people feel that they can't continue as they are."



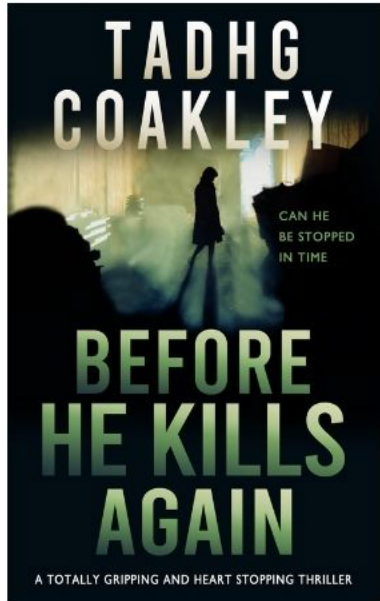
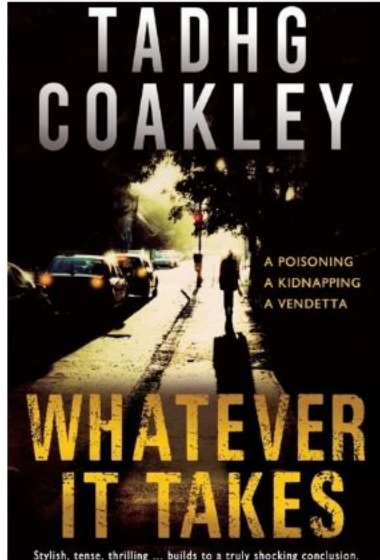
An incredible true-story of IRA pirates

- Changed the course of the Irish Civil War
- Winston Churchill called it 'brilliantly conceived' adding 'the Irish have a genius for conspiracy'. While a furious Michael Collins accused the British of deliberately arming his enemies in the IRA. Indeed, it's quite likely that the bullet that killed him came from the Upnor.
- The Ballycotton Job brings this long forgotten story dramatically back to life. For the first time all the strands of the adventure with its cast of disparate characters are woven together, resulting in a riveting account. It uniquely tells the story from both an Irish and British perspective. The fast paced narrative is enlivened by dialogue and details obtained from historical interviews with many of the participants
- 'fascinating'. 'fast paced thriller'
- 'a story that could make a riveting film'
- 'The capture of the Upnor is told in graphic and exciting detail'



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Cork based award-winning Crime Series

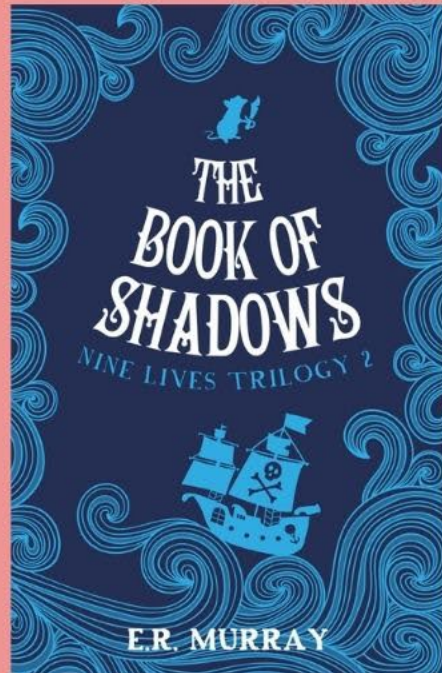
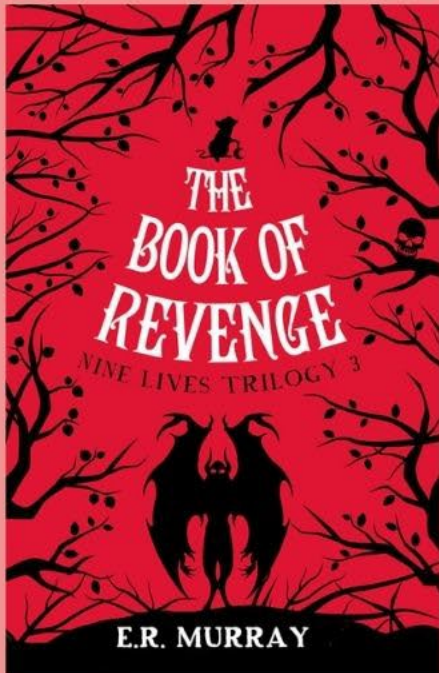
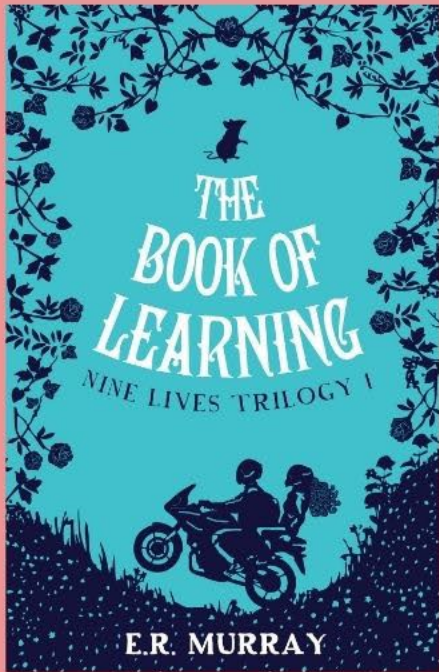


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- Set in Cork city, Detective Garda Collins is at war with the leading local criminal, Dominic Molloy.
 - This tense crime novel (the first in a series featuring Collins) tells the story of two immovable forces colliding.
 - Running out of time before the murder of two teenagers becomes inevitable, and with a traitor in the garda station feeding information back to Molloy, Collins takes his battle to new heights.
 - He is determined to win, whatever the cost, whatever it takes.
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- Garda Collins, finds a Cork city woman raped and murdered in her own home.
 - Assigned to the case, Collins and new partner Deirdre Dempsey soon find out that there is a misogynistic apparatus, male dark forces at play with plans to attack and kill many more women.
 - As the West Cork investigation implodes and climaxes into a brutal killing, we quickly learn this utterly likeable detective can sometimes be violent and ruthless.
 - A strong sense of place combined with a shocking double climax makes this second installment of the Tim Collins series a thrilling read.

An exciting fantasy adventure trilogy

- After the death of her beloved grandfather on her twelfth birthday, Ebony Smart's world is turned upside down. Orphaned for a second time, she is sent to Dublin to live with her weird Aunt Ruby, with only her pet rat, Winston, for company. With every window nailed shut and a mysterious locked room, 23 Mercury Lane is brimming with secrets. Warned against entering by a voice in the shadows, Ebony is fearful for her future, but has no idea how much her life is about to change.
- Aunt Ruby informs Ebony that she is part of the Order of Nine Lives - a special tribe of people who reincarnate. She claims Ebony has one week to break a terrible curse or else die - and if she fails, the future of the Order of Nine Lives, and her family, is at risk. With so much at stake, Ebony discovers it's difficult to trust - especially when there's somebody else trying to race her to the finish. Does she have what it takes to succeed when nothing is what it seems?



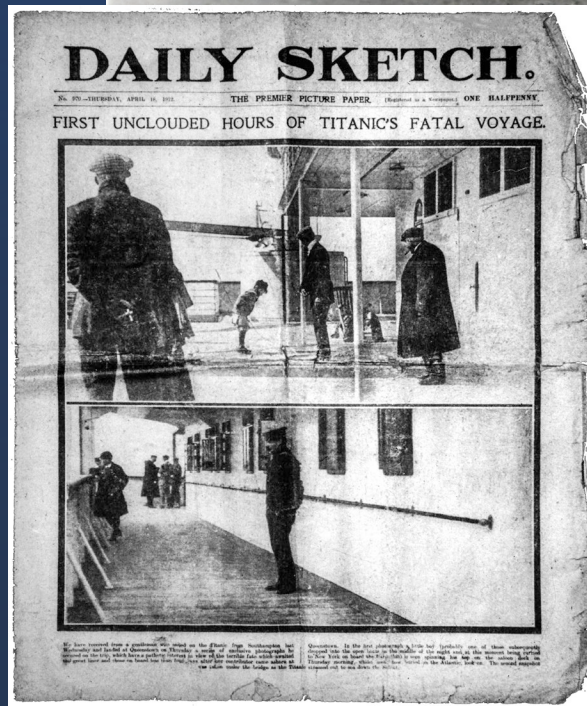
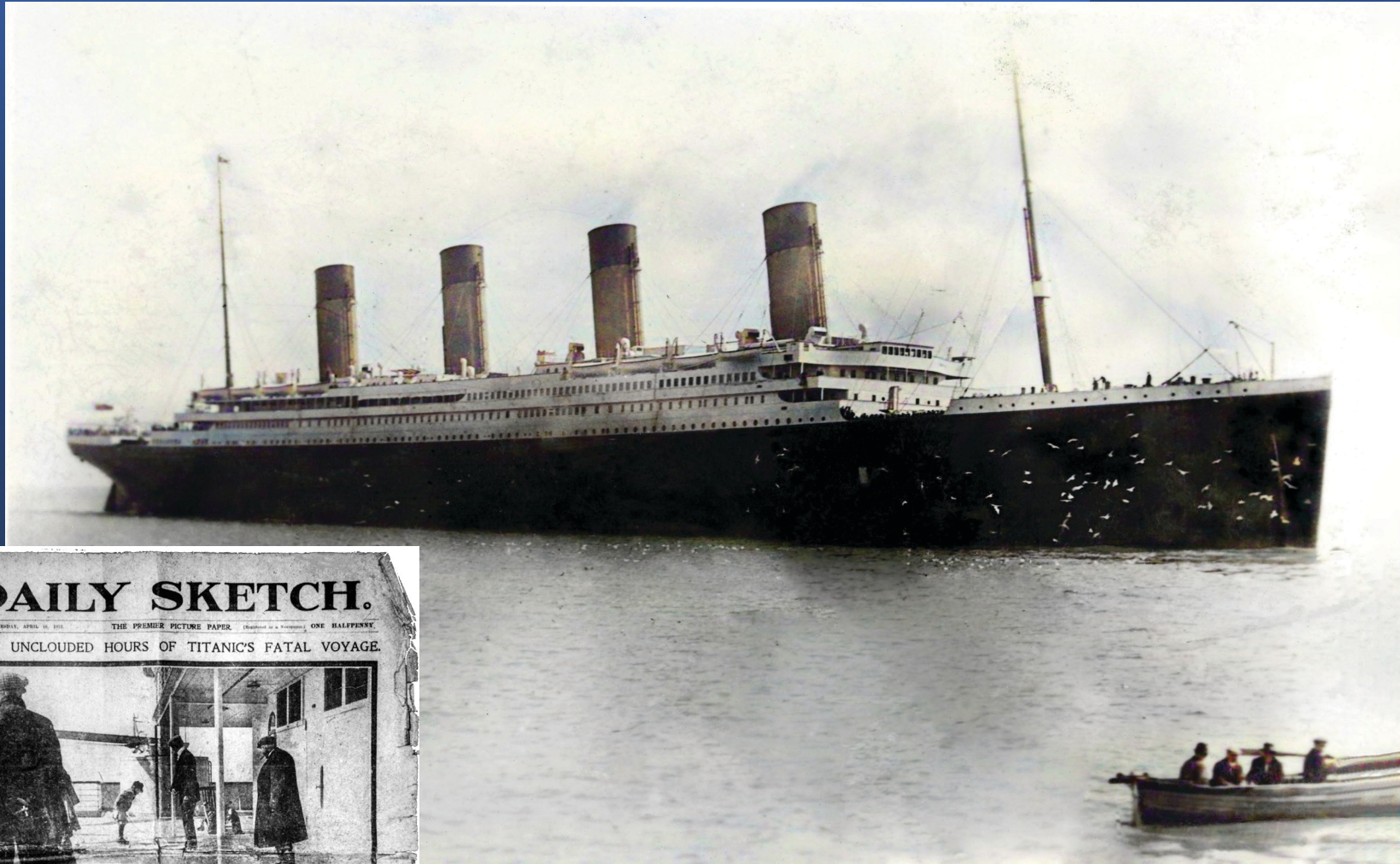
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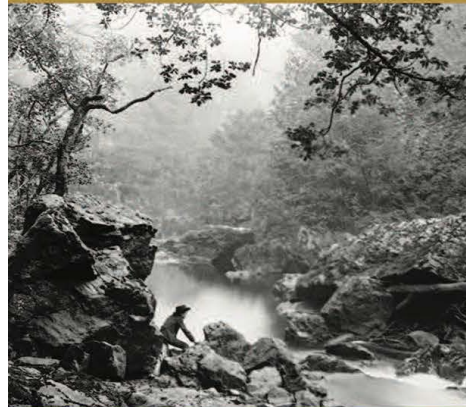
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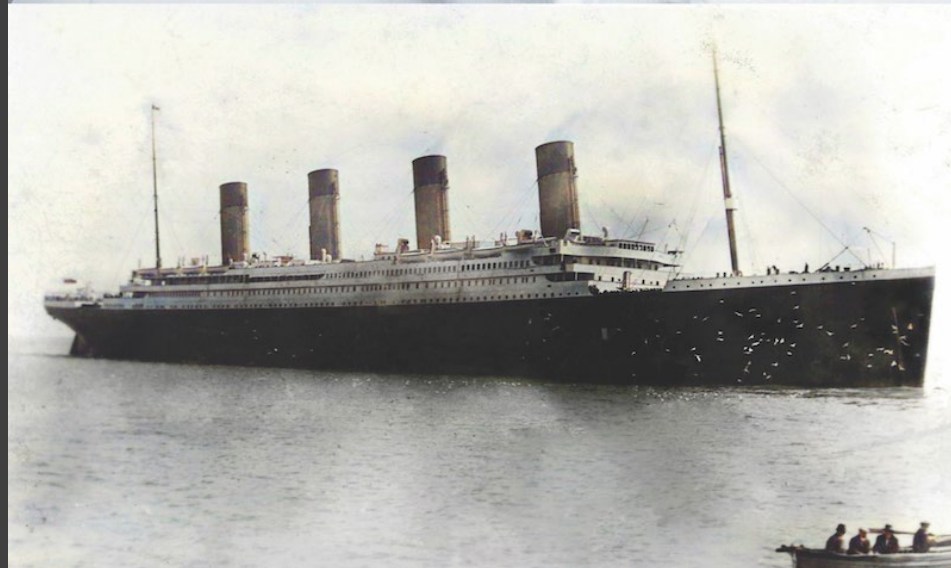
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- Messenger Publications are the curators of the Fr Browne collection and have produced seven Fr Browne books to date under various themes, including a biography.
- Whilst RTE has made a programme about his WW1 pictures, no documentary has yet been made about this remarkable photographer, war hero, pilot and priest.



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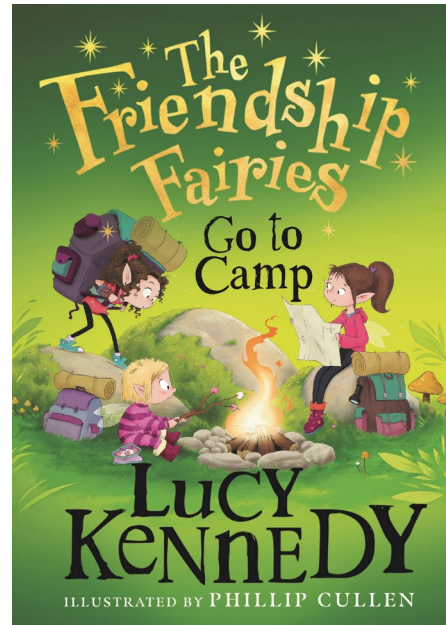
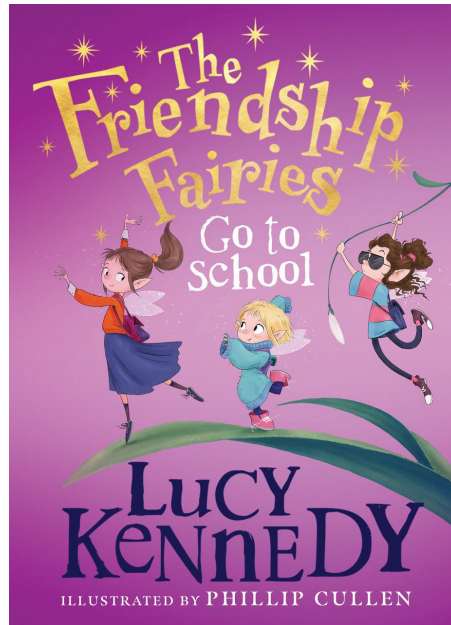
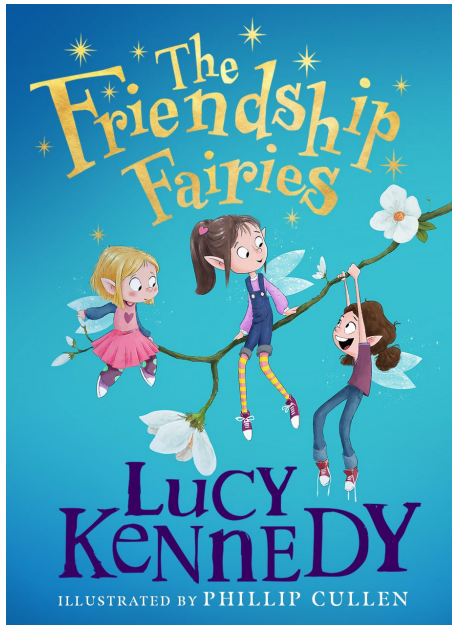
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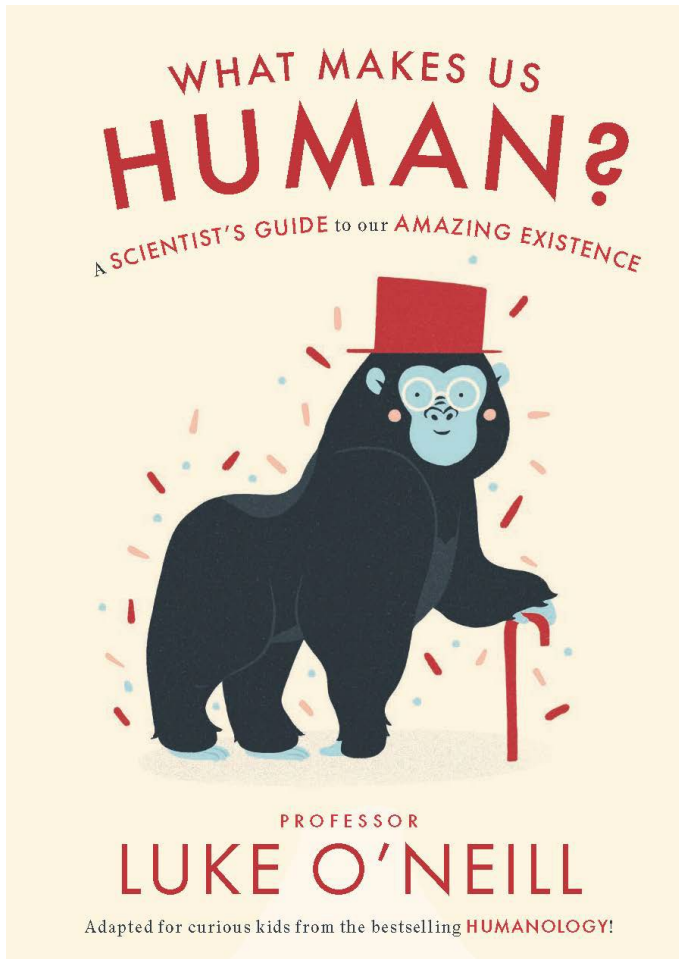
Fun adventure series about 3 fairy sisters written by high profile author Lucy Kennedy

Lucy is now the number 1 bestselling female Irish author; 25,000 copies of the series sold to date

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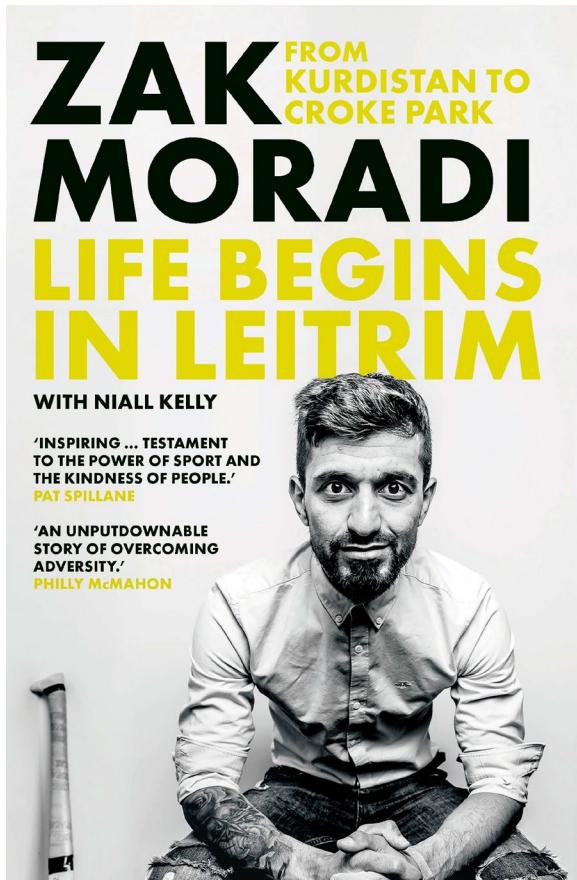


What Makes Us Human



- Adapted from the bestselling Humanology for younger readers
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- **Professor Luke O'Neill** is a world-renowned immunologist and Professor of Biochemistry in the School of Biochemistry and Immunology at Trinity College Dublin. His 4 previous books have sold over 90,000 copies.

Life Begins in Leitrim

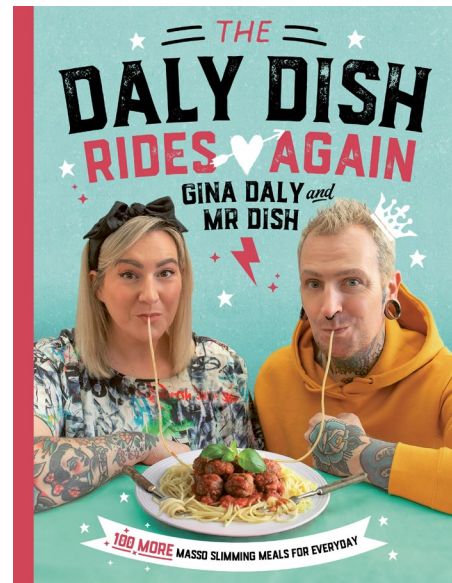


- Touching and uplifting memoir about the journey from life in a refugee camp in Iraq to playing hurling with Leitrim GAA
- Highlights the importance of community, sport and the role of the GAA in integration
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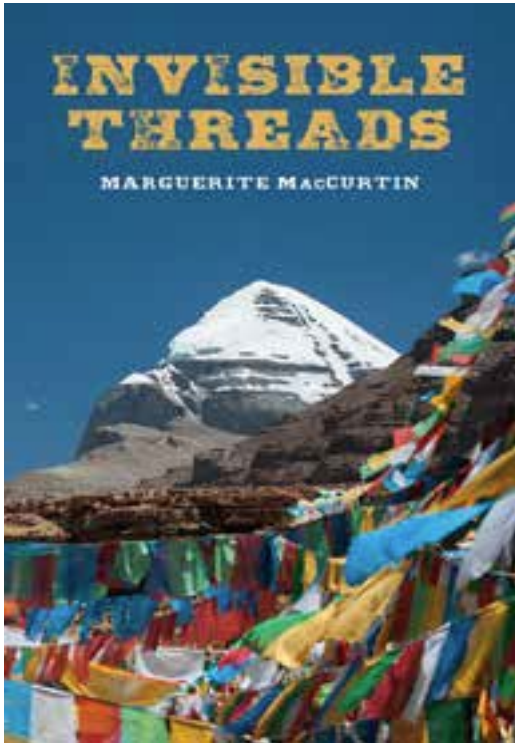
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A beautifully illustrated children's book celebrating nine Irish goddesses and their incredible stories. Written in an accessible style with fascinating facts and amusing tales, this book will appeal to a wide range of readers. It can be pitched in the industry as a gift book/tourist book and as an educational resource. The captivating illustrations highlight the goddesses' diversity as well as emphasising their ingenuity and power. The book includes a marked-up map which shows how many places across the country feature in their stories – a perfect starting point for a fascinating documentary.

Karen Ward was the holistic presenter on RTÉ television's 'Health Squad' for many years as well as BBC's 'Last Resort'. Her other titles include *Change a Little to Change a Lot* (Merlin, 2009) and the *Irish Times* Bestseller *The Secrets of Ageless Ageing* (Beehive Books, 2022).

Paula McGloin is an award-winning Irish illustrator known for her vibrant illustrations inspired by wildlife, folklore and storytelling. She has illustrated four books, including *Adventures in Philosophy* by Brendan O'Donohue and *All Through the Night* edited by Marie Heaney.



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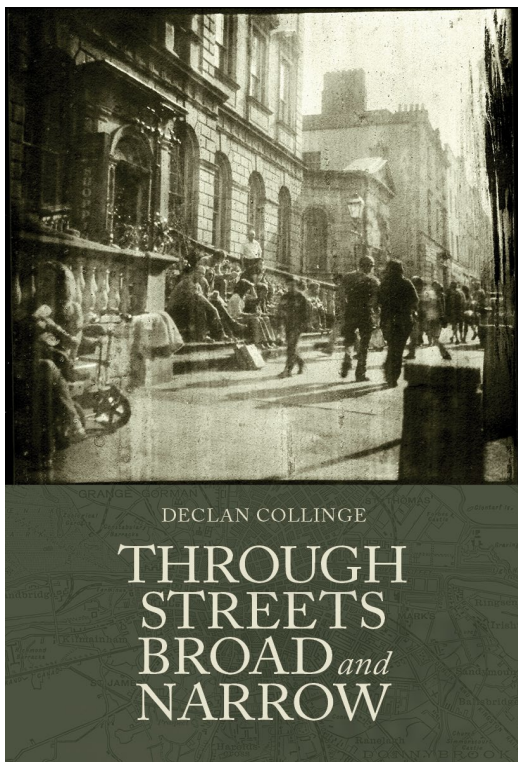
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'Later I realised that this was the most powerful moment of the journey for me. Here I was, a stranger who had wandered in from the Tibetan plateau in the need of shelter and comfort, and I was offered both in abundance. We had no word in common but without the benefit of language it is the non-verbals that click into place: body language, gesture, mime, eye contact, facial expressions, basic intuition. The condition of being human is universal I discovered and the underlying impulse to reach out and connect transcends the barriers of race, language and geographical location.' This book is like a cabinet of curiosities with many portals waiting to transport you to another world. An ideal book for a documentary or the inspiration for a film, in particular the poignant story entitled 'The Letter'.

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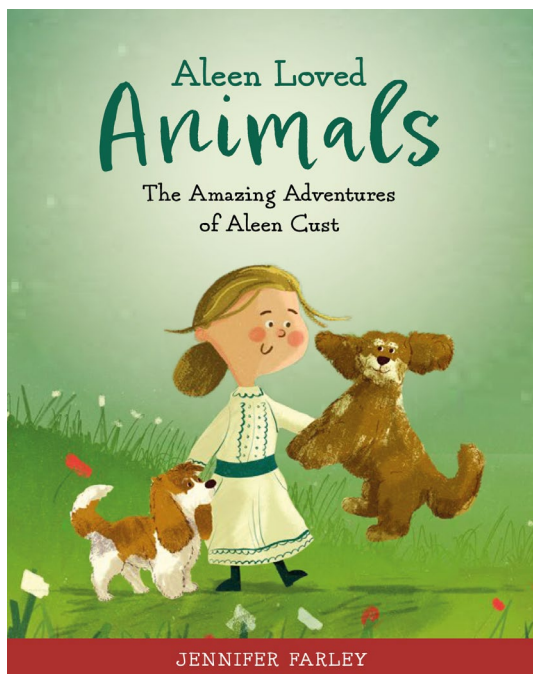
Through the Streets Broad and Narrow

220 pp. €22.99/ 19.99* 978 1 80097 048 9 April 2023 PB

‘The city in literature, song, character and place. Declan Collinge’s compelling literary journey down those historic streets, broad and narrow, now adds a rich colourful dimension to our understanding of the ancient city. It evokes the enduring spirit of Dublin, bequeathed to us by the many talented writers, poets and artists of today and times past, capturing in one volume much of the unique character and literary personality of the city and its people.’ **Des Geraghty (Former SIPTU president and labour activist)**

From twelfth-century Fenian Cycle poems, to Swift’s acerbic wit; from ‘Dublinspeak’ to street games; from impoverished streets to the Celtic Tiger and beyond, this chronicle reveals the spirit of Dublin through literature, anecdote and popular ballad, while many of its characters over the years are revealed in all their colour and eccentricity. Perfect for a walking tour doc.

Declan Collinge is a bilingual poet and essayist who has published eight collections of poetry and has written and edited over twenty textbooks. A former secondary teacher and literature lecturer, he writes regular columns in the *Irish Times* and has published articles in the *Sunday Independent* and *Sunday Times*. He has been a regular contributor to Sunday Miscellany on RTÉ Radio in addition to adjudicating in literary competitions.



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A beautifully illustrated children's book featuring a story on the life of Aleen Cust, who was a trailblazer. She was born and raised in Ireland, and later became the first female veterinary student, and eventually veterinary surgeon in the UK and Ireland. Although she was one of the best students in her class in Edinburgh in 1900, she was not allowed to sit her final veterinary diploma exams because she was female. However, she persisted and became a successful vet, facing many challenges along the way. She returned to Ireland and became a trusted and admired veterinary surgeon in the west. She later drove herself to France during World War 1 and volunteered to help the war horses.

Aleen Cust's story was recently featured on Nationwide on TV, and is featured in Herstory at Epic - The Irish Immigration Museum. There is also a group of vets working on creating an entire museum dedicated to her in the west of Ireland.

Jennifer Farley is an author illustrator from Dublin. Her artwork is bright, colourful and humorous. She has illustrated several books for other authors, and has written and illustrated three books, including *Island of Adventures* and *Scout's Best Day Ever*. In 2019 she illustrated *Shooting for the Stars* written by Dr Norah Patten, which won an An Post Irish Book Award.



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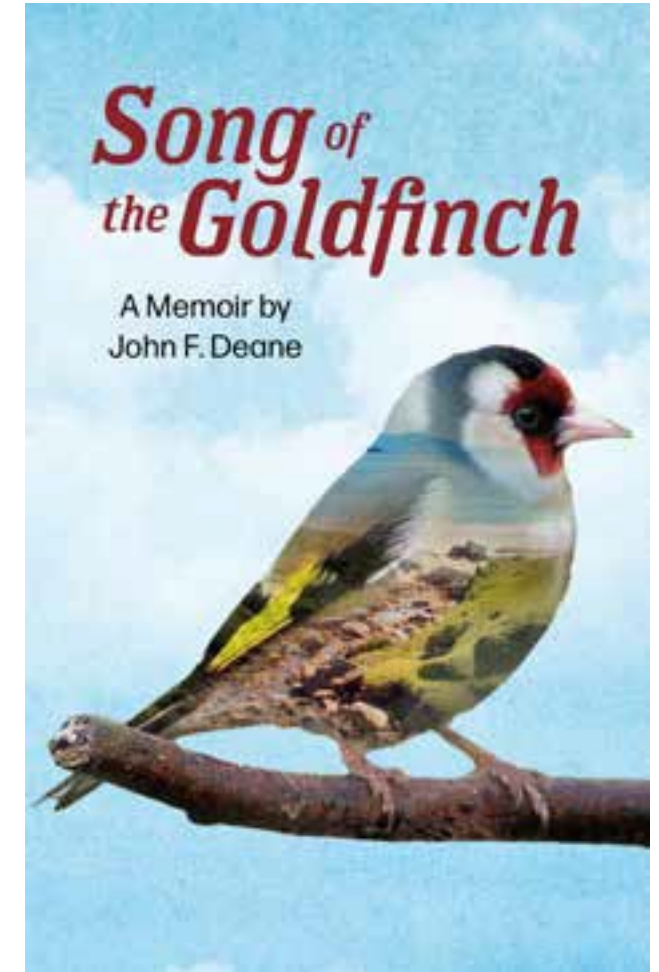
Song of the Goldfinch

€19.99/£17.99 978 1 80097 047 2 April 2023 215 mm x 138 mm PB

Song of the Goldfinch is a beautifully written faith memoir tracing John F. Deane's time as a strict Roman Catholic on Achill Island to his faith as it stands at present. This memoir is a vivid journey through his time spent as a novice and seminarian, through discovery of alternative Christian approaches, all of it in prose form, but linked by poems, both published and unpublished.

'Once every blue moon a book is written on parchment and in dried blood. Here Huckleberry Finn meets Dylan Thomas on Achill Island, a lost world of corncrakes and ragamuffins. Captivating. Truly wonderful. I loved this book, I think you might too.' **Mark Patrick Hederman, OSB, author of *Crimson and Gold: Life as a Limerick*, 2021.**

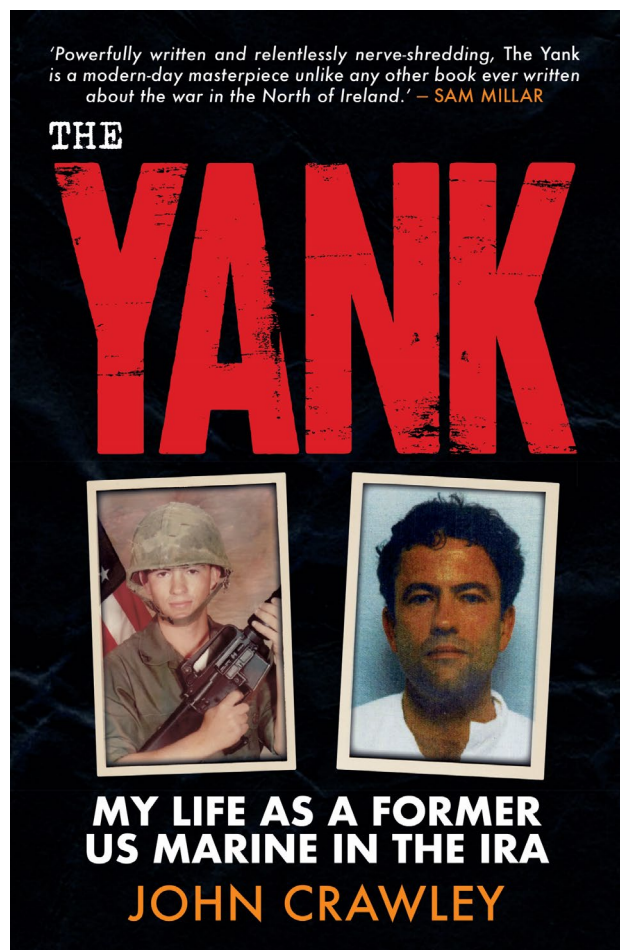
John F. Deane is a writer and poet. He has had eight collections of poetry published in Manchester by Carcanet, including *Naming of the Bones* (2021). He spent five years as a Holy Ghost novice and seminarian; studied poetry and faith and has published several books of essays on poets of faith, such as Hopkins, Herbert, Heaney and Kinsella. He is the founder of Poetry Ireland and Dedalus Press. He has taught poetry and faith in Boston College as Burns scholar and in Loyola University, Chicago, as Teilhard de Chardin visiting scholar.



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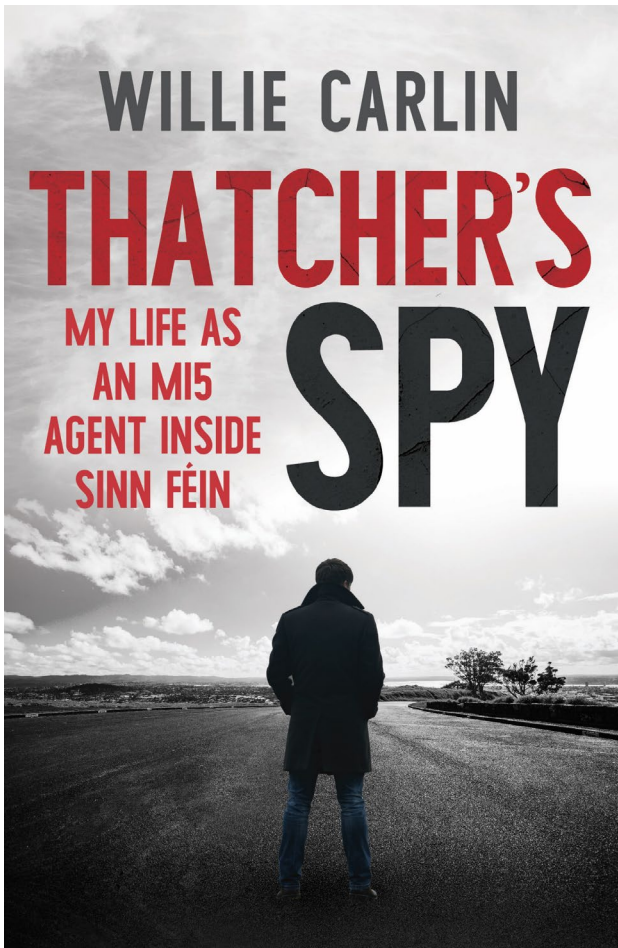
Author: John Crawley

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The year is 1975. A young Irish-American is on a mission to enlist in an elite unit of the US Marine Corps. His goal: to receive the most intensive military training possible and then go to Ireland to join the IRA and fight to end the British occupation of the North.

- Gruelling challenges of John's Marine Corps training
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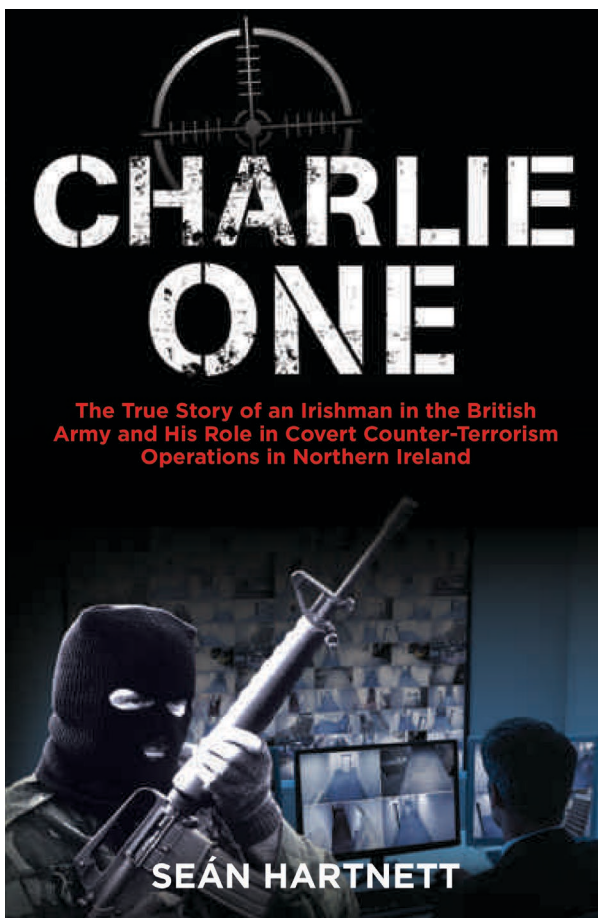
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For 11 years Willie Carlin, a former British soldier, worked alongside former IRA commander Martin McGuinness in the republican movement's political wing in Derry.

He was MI5's man at McGuinness' side and gave the British State unprecedented insight into the IRA leader's strategic thinking. Carlin worked with McGuinness to develop Sinn Féin's election strategy after the 1981 hunger strike, and the MI5 reports on McGuinness, Adams and other republicans were read by the British Cabinet, including Thatcher herself.

When Carlin's cover was blown in 1985, it was another British 'super spy' inside the IRA's secretive counter-intelligence, the 'nuttin' squad', who saved Carlin's life. In *Thatcher's Spy*, the Cold War meets Northern Ireland's Dirty War in the sensational memoir of a deep undercover British intelligence agent, a man now doomed forever to look over his shoulder ...



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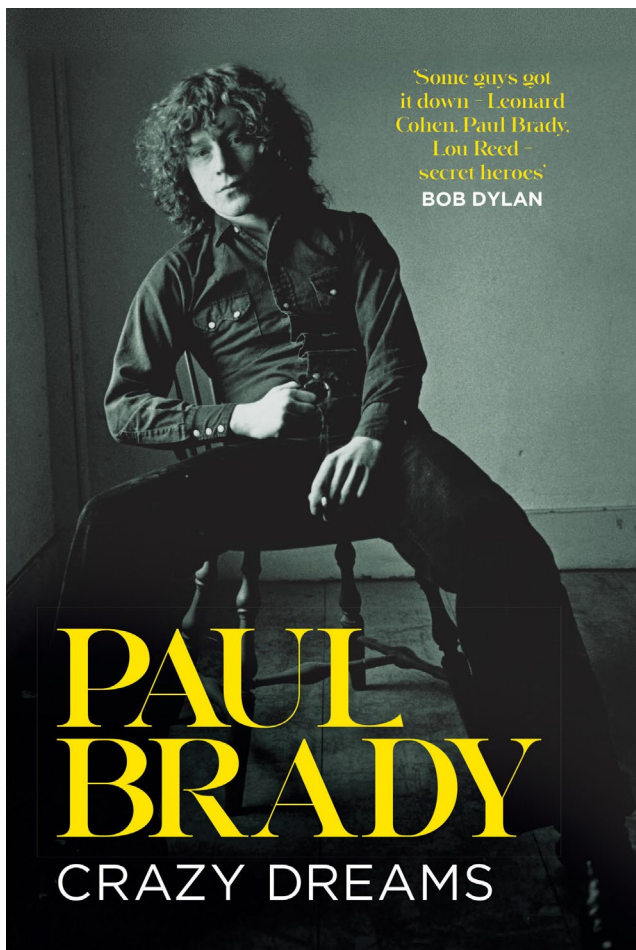
Title: *Charlie One*
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***Charlie One*, the call sign for the most wanted targets of British Intelligence operations in NI, documents the journey of an Irish Republican serving in Britain's most secretive counter-terrorism unit**

Seán Hartnett grew up in Cork in the 1970s where he observed the worst of the northern Troubles with fascination. Despite his family's strong republican ties and his own attempt to join the IRA, Seán Hartnett shocked family and friends when he changed allegiance and joined the British Armed Forces.

In 2001 Hartnett returns to his native Ireland, but this time as a member of the British Army's most secretive covert counter-terrorist unit in Northern Ireland, 'The Det'. Hartnett is directly involved in some of the highest-profile events of that period, including the prevention of the murder of Johnny 'Mad Dog' Adair and some of the biggest blunders by British Intelligence in the history of the Troubles. *Charlie One* provides a truly unique, detailed and unbiased account of the secret war fought on the streets of Northern Ireland.



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Title: *Crazy Dreams*
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***Crazy Dreams* is the compelling and highly anticipated autobiography from Paul Brady, a musician whose remarkable career has spanned six decades and who is indisputably one of Ireland's greatest living songwriters.**

This evocative memoir chronicles Paul's many years at the forefront of the Irish folk scene, from The Johnstons and Planxty through to his seminal work with Andy Irvine and onwards to his own vaunted solo career. Along the way are the many encounters and collaborations with such musical luminaries as Bob Dylan, Eric Clapton, Carole King, Tina Turner, Mark Knopfler and Bonnie Raitt to name but a glittering few.

From such celebrated tracks as 'The Island', 'Nobody Knows' and 'The World is What You Make It' to his interpretations of traditional folk songs like 'Arthur McBride' and 'The Lakes of Pontchartrain', Paul has carved out his own unique place in Irish musical history.

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