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Far More Than A Game : An Autobiography Of A Cricket Writer And Broadcaster /
Qamar Ahmed , Peter Osborne

Paramount Books (Pvt) Ltd., Karachi, Pakistan 2020

300p.

Includes Bibliography

9789696378549

\$ 45.00 / HB

700 gm.

Having covered the game for almost half a century for leading newspapers and broadcasting houses of the cricketing world. Qamar Ahmed remains one of the most experienced men around as a writer and a commentator of a sport which is adored by those who follow the charming unpredictability of this ever changing game. His incisive knowledge and insight into its history makes him one of the rare men around as the game's leading analyst. Not many in the field of cricket journalism would claim to have contributed to most of the leading newspapers and magazines of the cricketing world as a freelance journalist which he has always been since he first stepped into this as a reporter in 1974 covering a Test between Pakistan and England at Lord's. In this book he has made an honest attempt to unfold not only the trauma of the partition of India and the creation of new country Pakistan and migration which he witnessed first-hand as a schoolboy. But later as a journalist he also had the opportunity of covering serious controversies such as Kerry Packer revolution, umpiring controversies and the rest including a terrorist attack on a touring team. This autobiography provides one with not only moving moments of his life but also the lighter side of it.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=744529>

Master Ramchandra (1821-1880) : Mathematician, Journalist and Educationist /
M. Ikram Chaghatai

Pakistan Writers Cooperative Society, Lahore, Pakistan 2021

183p ; 184p.

9789698460808

\$ 40.00 / HB

500 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=744528>

The Powerbroker : Mark Leibler, an Australian Jewish Life / Michael Gawenda
(author)

Monash University Press, Australia 2020

365 pages

9781925835809

\$ 40.00 / HB

740 gm.

From the ashes of the darkest event in human history, Australian Jews built a thriving community, one with proportionally more Holocaust survivors than anywhere else in the world bar Israel. Mark Leibler grew up in this community, and in time became a leader of it. This book shows how Leibler rose to a position of immense influence in Australian public life by skilfully entwining his roles as a Zionist leader and a tax lawyer to some of the country's richest people. The book vividly paints a cast of Australian characters - among them Paul Keating, John Howard, Julia Gillard and Noel Pearson - who came to know Leibler and to call him a friend, along with people like Kevin Rudd and Bob Carr, who see Leibler as no friend at all. Finally, the book charts the surprise turn in Leibler's life, when a social and political conservative became a committed advocate for radical reform on behalf of Australia's Indigenous people. This many-layered book is a portrait of Jewish life in Australia, of the interaction between private wealth and politics, and of a man whose energy, formidable work habits and forcefulness that often tips into pugnacity have made him a highly effective player in Australian affairs. 'He taught me about power - how to get it and how to use it,' says Noel Pearson. Through one man's story, this book shows how power works in Australia.

Biography: general. | Economics, Finance, Business & Management. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=713068>

Father of the lost boys : a memoir / Yuot A. Alaak

Fremantle Press , Australia 2020

230 pages : maps, portraits ; 23 cm

9781925815641

\$ 30.00 / null

240 gm.

This is the true story of Mecak Ajang Alaak, leader and educator, who in the early 1990s assumed command of 20,000 of the Lost Boys of South Sudan during the conflict of the Second Sudanese Civil War, and led them on a harrowing dangerous journey of several thousand kilometres to the safety of the Kakuma Refugee Camp in Kenya. Told by Mecak's son, Yuot, himself a Lost Boy, and eyewitness on the journey, it describes the enduring belief of Mecak Ajang Alaak that, when it comes to resistance, education is ultimately the mightiest weapon of them all.

Alaak, Mecak Ajang. | Alaak, Yuot A. | Refugees -- Sudan -- Anecdotes. | Refugee children -- Sudan -- Personal narratives. | Sudan -- History -- Civil War, 1983-2005 -- Personal narratives. | Sudan -- History -- Civil War, 1983-2005 -- Refugees. | Sudan -- History -- Civil War, 1983-2005 -- Children. | Sudan -- Social conditions. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=713047>

Richard Cooke on Robyn Davidson / Cooke, Richard

Black Inc. Books, Australia 2020

88 pages ; 19 cm.

9781760642303

\$ 18.00 / HB

205 gm.

Robyn Davidson, author of the classic memoir *Tracks*, has led a remarkable life of writing and nomadic travel. In this bracing, erudite essay, acclaimed critic and journalist Richard Cooke explores Davidson's relationship with place and freedom, and her singular presence in Australian letters.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=713062>

The fatal lure of politics : the life and thought of Vere Gordon Childe / Terry Irving

Monash University Press, Australia 2020

xxiv, 418 pages : illustrations, portraits ; 24 cm

9781925835748

\$ 40.00 / null

660 gm.

Renowned Australian-born archaeologist and prehistorian Vere Gordon Childe (1892–1957) had a lifelong fascination with socialist politics. In his early life he was active in the Australian labour movement and wrote *How Labour Governs* (1923), the world's first study of parliamentary socialism. However, he decided to pursue a life of scholarship to 'escape the fatal lure' of politics and Australian labour's 'politicalism' – his term for its misguided emphasis on parliamentary representation. In Britain, with the publication of *The Dawn of European Civilization* (1925), Childe began a career that would establish him as preeminent in his field and one of the most distinguished scholars of the mid-twentieth century. At the same time, he aimed to 'democratise archaeology' and involve people in its practice. *What Happened in History* (1942), his most popular book, sold 300,000 copies in its first 15 years. Politics continued to lure Childe, and for forty years he was spied upon by the security services of Britain and Australia. He supported Russia's 'grand and hopeful experiment' and opposed the rise of fascism. His Australian background reinforced his hatred of colonialism and imperialism. Politics was also implicated in his death. There is a direct line between Childe's early radicalism and his final – and fatal – political act in the Blue Mountains west of Sydney. *The Fatal Lure of Politics* is a new and radically different biography about the central place of socialist politics in Childe's life, and his contribution to the theory of history that this politics entailed.

Childe, V. Gordon (Vere Gordon), 1892-1957. | Archaeologists -- Biography. | Archaeologists -- Australia -- Biography. | Australia -- Politics and government. | Authors, Australian -- Biography. | Socialists -- Biography. | Australia -- Politics and government. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=713069>

Victriss / Hall, Corinne & Randall, Michael

Wild Dingo Press

160 pages

9781925893274

\$ 40.00 / null

675 gm.

Mother, wife, partner, daughter, sister, niece, grandmother: every woman is a VICTRESS in her own unique and special way.

This book is an ode to some of Australia's most cherished female athletes who, not just through achievements in their chosen sport, but through their unwavering conviction and commitment to women's sport, blazed a trail for their sisterhood.

From legends like Dawn Fraser and Cathy Freeman, to the new breed of powerful sportswomen like Ellyse Perry, Tayla Harris and Ash Barty, each athlete is honoured and celebrated, thanks to Hobart Hurricanes Women's Big Bash League cricketer Corinne Hall's unique artistic talents.

Inspired by these incredible women, Corinne takes readers on a journey into the lives of each athlete through both her stunning drawings and her authentic tales.

From personal interactions with the athletes, to recalling where she was when watching some of the iconic events that made them household names, Corinne provides a fresh but relatable perspective on how each has left an indelible mark on the exponential growth of sport for women.

Kindness is key for Corinne, who has ensured funds from the book will be directed back into grassroots women's cricket, along with helping charitable organisation, The Kindness Factory, spread its positive message.

In keeping with the kindness theme, athletes have provided their own stories of kindness, unearthing the special role simple acts have played in their lives.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=713063>

Written in the Sky / Carr, Mark

Melbourne Books, Australia 2020

480 pages 23cm

9781925556612

\$ 40.00 / null

650 gm.

This 'techno-biography' is written for those who, like him, have hydraulic oil flowing through their veins. However also gives readers of a non-flying background an insight into military and civil aviation.

Sit in the cockpit with Mark and gain a rare insight into how these amazing machines, that we now take for granted, work, and how the men and women in the cockpits and flight decks operate them safely and efficiently.

"I wanted to do justice to all of the wonderful aircraft that I have flown, a credit to their designers, manufacturers, and the people who maintained them....I sincerely hope that the reader, of whatever age or background, finds the work informative, entertaining, and possibly even inspiring."

His story is also entwined with historical context including his first-hand account of the infamous Australian Pilots' Dispute of 1989 and life as an expatriate in Hong Kong.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=713042>

Speaking Up / Triggs, Gillian

Melbourne University Press, Australia 2020

312 pages

9780522876789

\$ 35.00 / null

445 gm.

As president of the Human Rights Commission, Gillian Triggs advocated for the disempowered, the disenfranchised, the marginalised. She withstood relentless political pressure and media scrutiny as she defended the defenceless for five tumultuous years.

How did this aspiring ballet dancer, dignified daughter of a tank commander and eminent law academic respond when appreciative passengers on a full airplane departing Canberra greeted her with a round of applause?

Speaking Up shares with readers the values that have guided Triggs' convictions and the causes she has championed. She dares women to be a little vulgar and men to move beyond their comfort zones to achieve equity for all. And she will not rest until Australia has a Bill of Rights.

Triggs' passionate memoir is an irresistible call to everyone who yearns for a fairer world.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=713055>

Wild Ride / Oakman, Daniel

Melbourne Books, Australia 2020

256 pages

9781925556841

\$ 35.00 / null

385 gm.

This book tells the story of the cyclists who were overcome by the need to venture forth on two wheels; the courageous men and women who undertook some of the most epic bicycle journeys of all time.

Wild Ride reminds us of a thrilling period of exploration all but forgotten in the age of the motorcar. Daniel Oakman takes us on a rich ride through the 130 years of Australian cycling; from the overlanding heroes of Arthur Richardson and Francis Birtles, to the lesser known but no less amazing feats of Jerome Murif, Ted Ryko and Joe Pearson, through to modern-day bikepacking trailblazers such as Kate Leeming, Tegan Streeter and Tom Richards. Celebrity riders are here too; from the historic icons of Hubert 'Oppy' Opperman, Wendy Duncan and Shirley Law, to the more recent triumphs of actor Sam Johnson and his audacious quest to ride a unicycle 15,000 kilometres around the country.

You will be astounded by their journeys, retold here with sparkling clarity. Be inspired for your next pedal powered adventure.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=713057>

Unfinished Business / Hinch, Derryn
Melbourne University Press, Australia 2020

232 pages
9780522873535
\$ 32.99 / null
340 gm.

Derryn Hinch made headlines in 2016 when he went from media personality to Victorian Senator at the head of a new political party and made a lasting impact on the political landscape.

This is an unflinchingly honest account of his last two years as a senator, before he lost his seat in the 2019 election.

Hinch's diary exposes Canberra's inner workings and details on his professional successes and failures with trademark frankness.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691156>

"I wonder" : the life and work of Ken Inglis / edited by Peter Browne and Seumas Spark

Monash University Press, Australia 2020

xvii, 382 pages ; 25 cm.
9781925835717
\$ 39.99 / HB
760 gm.

Ken Inglis was one of Australia's most creative, wide-ranging and admired historians. During a scholarly career spanning nearly seven decades, his humane, questioning approach - summed up by the recurring query, 'I wonder...' - won him a large and appreciative audience. Whether he was writing about religion, the media, nationalism, the 'civil religion' of Anzac, a subject he made his own, or collaborating on monumental histories of Australia or the remarkable men aboard the Dunera, he brought wit, erudition and originality to the study of history. Alongside his history writing, he pioneered press criticism in Australia, contributed journalism to magazines and newspapers, and served as vice-chancellor of the fledgling University of Papua New Guinea. This collection of essays traces the life and work of this much-loved historian and observer of Australia life.

Inglis, K. S. (Kenneth Stanley), 1929-2017. | Historians -- Australia -- Biography. | Australian essays -- 21st century -- Collections. | Biography: general. | Australian history | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691171>

The watermill / Arnold Zable
Text Publishing Company, Australia 2020

256 pages ; 24 cm

9781922268556

\$ 32.99 / null

365 gm.

This quartet of true stories -- of displacement, of survival and of resistance -- spans the globe and reflects the universal spirit of humanity. A miller in rural China sits silently with the thrum of his waterwheel. A survivor of Pol Pot's killing fields works to bring music and joy to a new generation. A theatre troupe rises out of the horror of Bergen-Belsen concentration camp. A Wurundjeri elder shares her knowledge of the land and the story of her great-great-uncle's stand against invasion. And a family leave the old world for the new, unaware it is a land far more ancient than the one they had left.

Zable, Arnold -- Travel. | Millers -- China -- Anecdotes. | Genocide survivors -- Cambodia -- Anecdotes. | Concentration camp inmates -- Germany -- Anecdotes. | Wurundjeri (Australian people) -- Anecdotes. | Survival -- Anecdotes. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691163>

C.R. Long, M.A. : Victorian educationist 1860 - 1944 / Geoff W. Pryor

Australian Scholarly Publishing, Australia 2020

xvii, 236 pages : portraits, facsimiles, genealogical table ; 23 cm

9781925801941

\$ 39.99 / null

405 gm.

In 1878 a District inspector asserted that "Chas Long, owing to a weakness of sight which is inherent, will not make a successful teacher". He later added that "it would be a mistake to allow C. Long to become a teacher". This was not an audacious beginning for a career in teaching. Charles Long was born with albinism and suffered from poor eyesight. He went on to confound his critics with high academic results in teacher-training certificates and a Master of Arts degree. With persistence and creative determination his career ranged from head teacher, teachers' college lecturer, school inspector to the new position of Editor of Victorian Education Department publications including the highly successful School Paper, Education Gazette and the well-known Victorian Readers. This largely ignored Victorian educationist was a close confidante and friend of the widely acclaimed Frank Tate, who was appointed as the Director of Education in 1902.

Long, Charles R. (Charles Richard) | Educators -- Victoria -- Biography. | Education -- Victoria -- 20th century -- History. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686902>

Queens of print : interviews with Australia's iconic women's magazine editors / Rebecca Johnke

Australian Scholarly Publishing, Australia 2020

xviii, 240 pages : portraits ; 28 cm

9781925984002

\$ 43.99 / null

650 gm.

Queens of Print is a tribute to the most influential and iconic women in Australian women's magazines. It is a snapshot of a rapidly changing industry where print is supposedly dead, and media have been disrupted. This book looks back, but also forward to consider what a magazine might be and what a magazine editor might do in future decades.

Women periodical editors -- Australia -- Interviews. | Women periodical editors - - Australia -- Biography. | Women's periodicals, Australian -- History. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686899>

We had such high hopes : student activism and the peace movement 1949-1952 : a photographic memoir / by Joyce Evans ; co-authored by Andrew Harmsen

Australian Scholarly Publishing, Australia 2020

183 pages : chiefly illustrations (some colour), portraits, facsimiles, 1 colour map ; 24 x 29 cm

9781925801859

\$ 49.99 / HB

1215 gm.

Some think it all happened in the 1960s but Joyce Evans, acclaimed photographer of Australia's land and its people, goes back to her youth and memories of her many adventures as a student activist. In 1949, aged 19, she set sail for Soviet-occupied Budapest to join the post-war demonstrations at 'The World Festival of Youth and Students for Peace'. It was a time when young Australians dreamed of change and travelled to war-torn Europe in the hope of peace becoming the new reality. Among them were many who would later become important figures in Australia's government, legal profession, diplomatic corps and academia. People like Frank Hardy, John Bluthal, Faith Bandler, Clyde Holding, Irving Saulwick and Richard Woolcott appear in Joyce Evans' photographs of these events. This story, with its cast of endearing and passionate characters, records voyages across battle-scarred Europe, clashes with draconian authorities, daring escapes, betrayals, lost idealism and a wealth of unlikely friendships. It describes the adventures of a youthful cohort who felt empowered and

Student movements -- Pictorial works. | Peace movements -- Pictorial works. | Protest movements -- Pictorial works. | Students -- Political activity -- Pictorial works. | Photography, Artistic. | Portrait photography. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686898>

The Hong Kong letters : a travel memoir / Shaddick, Gill

Australian Scholarly Publishing, Australia 2020

vii, 234 pages : illustrations, portraits ; 22 cm

9781925801637

\$ 38.99 / null

385 gm.

In the late sixties when the Beatles are top of the charts and Twiggy is hitting the catwalk, Gill embarks on a life-changing journey to Hong Kong. Mao's revolution is at its height. Vietnam has become America's longest war with no end in sight. But it's at an ad agency under insane direction where Gill finds her battles and learns to stand her ground. In this spirited memoir, where Mad Men meets Han Suyin's *A Many-Splendoured Thing*, Gill recreates a Hong Kong of the imagination. Attractive and naive, wined and dined by Hong Kong's elite, she gravitates towards camaraderie outside the world of advertising and money, and adventure follows. A weekend sail goes awry when a yacht with her on board strays into the waters of Communist China. A full-scale sea and air search mounted from Hong Kong can find no trace. Yet Gill is very much alive. With her friends, she is reciting from Mao's Little Red Book with no idea what fate awaits her or how long she will be held. The Hong Kong Letters is part memoir, part travelogue. Gill introduces us to characters that fiction couldn't have invented any better and transports the reader to another time and place, a reminder that anyone can fit the experiences of a lifetime into two short years.

Voyages and travels -- Biography. | British -- China -- Hong Kong -- Biography. | Women -- Hong Kong -- 20th century -- Biography. | China -- Hong Kong.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686905>

Three score years and twenty / Walter C. Balmford ; editors: John D. Balmford, Christopher J. Balmford

Australian Scholarly Publishing, Australia 2020

ix, 162 pages : illustrations, portraits ; 23 cm

9781925801774

\$ 29.99 / null

325 gm.

" A Red Baron squadron member shot down Walter Balmford's plane over German-occupied northern France in 1917. With a bullet hole in his windscreen, the plane's joystick useless, and his gunner Corporal Elliott badly wounded, Walter managed to fly the plane back across the front lines and land it safely. After the war, Walter became an actuary and migrated with his wife and two sons to Australia. He became the Commonwealth Actuary - a position now known as the Australian Government Actuary - working closely with the Treasurer (later Prime Minister) J.B. Chifley: the two became friends.

Balmford, Walter C. 1896-1979. | Balmford family. | Australia. Commonwealth Actuary -- Officials and employees -- Biography. | Fighter pilots -- Australia -- Biography. | Actuaries -- Australia -- Biography. | Public officers -- Biography. | Australia -- Officials and employees -- Biography. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686914>

Displaced : a rural life / John Kinsella

Transit Lounge, Australia 2020

329 pages ; 24 cm

9781925760477

\$ 29.99 / null

425 gm.

John Kinsella's memoir of his rural life takes us deep into the heart of what it means to belong and unbelong. The joys and travails of childhood, adult addictions, missteps and changing directions are acutely captured in poignant and poetic detail. While centred on Jam Tree Gully in rural Western Australia, the memoir also moves between Ohio, Schull and Cambridge, mixing regionalism with an international sense of responsibility. What will strike the reader are the detailed observations of daily life, the engagement with topography and flora and fauna that embody the author's conviction that 'all is in everything and that every leaf of grass is vital'.

In his most intimate prose work to date, Kinsella never shies from writing about the violence and intolerance of those scared of difference, and the ways in which his ethics have sometimes been met with disdain or outright hostility. But with nuance and humour he also celebrates rural community and its willingness to lend a hand.

At once tender, urgent and intelligent, Displaced is ultimately a call to personal action. 'We all have choices to make.' It argues through its vivid accounts of small acts of living for the values of pacifism, veganism, environmentalism and justice for First Nations peoples — the principles we just might need to heal our world.

Kinsella, John, 1963- | Poets, Australian -- Biography. | Political activists -- Australia -- Biography. | Country life -- Western Australia -- Biography. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691173>

Bondi to the Baltic / McCombe, John

Wild Dingo Press 2020

224 pages

9781925893199

\$ 32.99 / null

655 gm.

Two antique cars, a few old mates and the journey of a lifetime.

Take a couple of vintage cars and their owners' determination to drive them on a pilgrimage from Australia to Finland and you have a fascinating story told through photos and the distillation of blogs and diary entries by some foolhardy, adventurous blokes.

Starting out from Thailand, their travels took them through Laos, China, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Armenia, Russia and Finland - a six-month journey spread over two legs in successive years.

Told in an engaging, self-deprecating and personal style, the reader enters the journey, every step of the way: following the ancient Silk Road route into the mountains of south-west and western China and the Tibetan Plateau where Muslim and Buddhist communities have lived for centuries, through the '-stans', and beyond.

Many an adventure, impossibly sticky situations, near misses and regular mechanical breakdowns were inevitably resolved with the support and civility towards this motley group of travellers in their ancient cars, by locals renowned for their hospitality. Nothing was ever too much trouble.

They had no sponsor, no professional photographer or filmmaker, no journalist to publish the story, no 'name' to add fame and celebrity, no contract in the pocket for a coffee table book with quality photos and deep, or informed historical and cultural insights, and no travelling mechanical workshop. There was just a determination to get each of these old cars to Helsinki in one piece and smell the roses along the way.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691177>

A Passion for Justice / Breen, Kerry

Australian Scholarly Publishing, Australia

xiv, 259 pages

9781925984040

\$ 39.99 / null

440 gm.

Vernon D Plueckhahn was for many years Australia's most prominent forensic pathologist. His expertise was central in correcting some of Australia's worst miscarriages of justice, most notably the wrongful 1982 conviction of Lindy Chamberlain for murder. This book traces his life, of first serving on a hospital ship for four years in World War II, then becoming a doctor, and then from a small base as the first pathologist at Geelong Hospital becoming known nationally and internationally. He led the way in forensic pathology - in research, for example, to validate autopsy measurement of blood alcohol and then linking alcohol misuse and drowning. He was instrumental in transforming the small regional hospital of Geelong into a leading academic centre. He steered the Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia through turbulent times in the 1970s. His achievements were quite remarkable, with the greatest being the formation of the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine, which is now a world leading institution.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686918>

Memoirs of a bourgeois falsifier / T. H. Rigby ; with a foreword and an epilogue by Kate Rigby ; edited and prepared for publication by Kevin Windle

Australian Scholarly Publishing, Australia 2020

xii, 363 pages, 6 unnumbered pages of plates : portraits ; 23 cm

9781925801927

\$ 49.99 / null

580 gm.

T. H. Rigby, 'Harry' Rigby to many colleagues and friends, was a leading pioneer in Soviet Studies during the Cold War. In this memoir he recounts his career as researcher, teacher, public intellectual and sometime adviser to MI6. He includes fascinating accounts of his time in the British Embassy in Moscow in the 1950s and of his later visits to the USSR, whose leadership labelled him a 'bourgeois falsifier', a title he wore with some pride. His story is also of a family and his inauspicious beginnings in a working-class district of Melbourne, his education in the 1930s and 1940s, war service in New Guinea and early interest in political thought. He writes of his beloved wife Norma and their growing family against a background of sweeping change in 20th century Australia.

Rigby, T. H. (Thomas Henry), 1925-2011. | Cold War -- Biography. | College teachers -- Australia -- Biography. | Australian
<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686919>

From Cornwall to Queensland and beyond : Dr Adoniah Vallack, explorer and adventurer / Malcolm Cross

Australian Scholarly Publishing, Australia 2020

xi, 145 pages, 12 unnumbered pages of plates : illustrations, portraits, maps, facsimilies ; 23 cm

9781925801866

\$ 39.99 / null

275 gm.

Dr Adoniah Vallack was well known in Australia, especially in Sydney, in 1848-49. He had played a vital part in the aftermath of Edmund Kennedy's ill-fated expedition to explore the coast of Queensland up to Cape York. Recruited as the expedition's doctor, Vallack had arranged to join the 13 others at Port Albany. In this he was fortunate since only Galmarra, the Aboriginal tracker, made it that far. Vallack led the rescue of the two other survivors and reported Galmarra's extraordinary story. Books have recorded these momentous events, but none has explored where Vallack came from or what became of him. He was Cornish-born and had lived for a decade at Singleton in the Hunter Valley, where he was known for his medical skills, community spirit and concern for the well-being of Aborigines. Immediately after the Kennedy expedition he left for California, where he sent reports to the Australian press of the gold rush of 1849-50. He returned for the Victorian gold rush but soon travelled again, this time to Canada, where he was involved in the mystery surrounding the murder of a government official in the years leading to Union of the Provinces in 1867.

Vallack, Adoniah. | Physicians -- Australia -- Biography. | Colonists -- Australia -- 19th century -- Biography. | Cornish -- New South Wales -- Biography. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686920>

Shaping Australia's west : the life of John Nicholson : a Scottish migrant's influential engagement in Australian public life / Robert Nicholson

Arcadia 2020

viii, 164 pages, 40 unnumbered pages of plates : illustrations, portraits ; 23 cm.

9781925801903

\$ 39.99 / null

340 gm.

Scots are renowned for leaving their homes and successfully settling elsewhere in the world. John Nicholson was no exception. As a young man in his twenties he interrupted his studies to be a lawyer and followed his elder brother to Brisbane. After five years there working with a law firm he returned to Edinburgh to become a lawyer and was admitted to practice. At the age of 29 he set out for Western Australia. There he started a law firm and became a commercial adviser in demand. The commercial community petitioned him to contest the Perth Mayorality which he won for a term in 1914-15. The following year he was put up by the Nationals to fill a vacancy in the Legislative Council. From 1918 to 1941 he spent his life as a member of the Council enunciating the pathway he saw for the future of Western Australia. He worked to place the State on a sound commercial footing in Depression and the onset of World War II. In addition, John and his wife established the Red Cross in the State as well as developing care for veterans and playing a leadership role in many other organisations, the work of which continues today. At the end of his life he had well earned the name of 'Honest John'.

Nicholson, John, 1867-1941. | Lawyers -- Australia -- Biography. | Mayors -- Western Australia -- Perth -- Biography. | Politicians -- Western Australia -- Perth -- Biography. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686921>

Growing pineapples in the outback / Rebecca Lister and Tony Kelly

University of Queensland Press, Australia 2020

262 pages : portraits ; 23 cm

9780702254123

\$ 29.99 / null

360 gm.

When a professional urban couple relocate to regional Australia to care for an ageing parent, they find it more confronting yet also rewarding than they could have imagined. When Rebecca Lister and Tony Kelly move from Melbourne to Mount Isa to care for Rebecca's elderly mother, Diana, they have no idea what they've signed up for. The isolation, sweltering heat and limited employment opportunities make settling into the mining town a challenge. While Rebecca deals with her mother's declining health and delves into her own past, Tony takes on a new role in native title law. However, caring for Diana - a witty, crossword-loving 92-year-old - proves to be a more enriching experience than either Tony or Rebecca thought possible. As they make deeper connections to the land and community, they find themselves flourishing in a most unexpected place. Growing Pineapples in the Outback explores the highs and lows of caring for an ageing parent, while also celebrating the rewards of a simpler life.

Lister, Rebecca. | Kelly, Tony. | Lister, Diana. | Rural caregivers -- Australia - - Biography. | Aging parents -- Australia -- Biography. | Parent and adult child -- Australia -- Biography. | Biography: general. | Mount Isa (Qld.) -- Social life and customs. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691138>

The lost boy : tales of a child soldier / Ayik Chut Deng with Craig Henderson ; a foreword by Ray Martin

Vintage Books, Australia 2020

xvii, 269 pages, 8 unnumbered pages of plates : illustrations (some colour), portraits ; 24 cm

9780143796299

\$ 34.99 / null

400 gm.

In episode 1 of the Ray Martin fronted SBS series *Look me in the Eye*, two South Sudanese migrants now resident in Brisbane sat across from each other and looked into each other's eyes. One of them, Ayik, was once a ten-year-old boy soldier training in the junior forces of the SPLA and like many of the young boys hating it. He regularly ran away, sometimes to refugee camps, but was found, dragged bag and brutally punished by then fourteen-year-old Anyang, the man now sitting opposite him. After a tumultuous life in Africa, Ayik brings that trauma with him to Australia and at various times gets in trouble with the law over violence, alcohol and drugs. He is misdiagnosed as schizophrenic and is wrongly medicated for years. One day at a Brisbane church he looks across and sees his childhood torturer and is filled with hate. They do not interact then, but on their next encounter, a few years later, Ayik speaks with Anyang and says if they were still in Africa he would kill him. Thankfully a number of forces (including the law and parenthood and a better psychiatrist) eventually set Ayik on the straight and narrow. He is studying and working and hopes to be an actor. He has had small roles in films in Queensland including *Thor: Ragnarok*. The lost boy is incredibly honest book, showing that recovering from torture and war is a process of lifelong learning, choices and challenges.

Deng, Ayik Chut. | Sudanese Australians -- Australia -- Biography. | Child soldiers -- Biography. | Biography: general. | Australian
<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691141>

Grandmothers : Essays by 21st-century Grandmothers / Helen Elliott (editor)

Text Publishing Company, Australia 2020

271 pages

9781922268600

\$ 34.99 / null

385 gm.

An anthology of essays by twenty-four Australian women, edited by Helen Elliott, about the many aspects of being a grandmother in the 21st century. It seems so different from the experience we had of our grandmothers. Although perhaps the human essential, love, hasn't shifted much? In thoughtful, provoking, uncompromising writing, a broad range of women reflect on vastly diverse experiences. This period of a woman's life, a continuation and culmination, is as defining as any other and the words 'grand' and 'mother' rearrange and realign themselves into bright focus.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691140>

Blueberries / Ellena Savage

Text Publishing Company, Australia 2020

240 pages ; 24 cm

9781922268563

\$ 32.99 / null

345 gm.

Blueberries could be described as a collection of essays, the closest term available for a book that resists classification; a blend of personal essay, polemic, prose poetry, true-crime journalism and confession that considers a fragmented life, reflecting on what it means to be a woman, a body, an artist. It is both a memoir and an interrogation of memoir. It is a new horizon in storytelling. In crystalline prose, Savage explores the essential questions of the examined life: What is it to desire? What is it to accommodate oneself to the world? And at what cost?

Women authors, Australian -- 21st century -- Biography. | Australian essays -- 21st century. | Australian essays -- 21st century -- Collections. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691159>

My life with Charles Chauvel / Elsa Chauvel

Arcadia 2020

xi, 189 pages : illustrations, portraits, facsimiles ; 23 cm

9781925801767

\$ 39.99 / null

375 gm.

To take you down to the sea in ships, to go tramping over a thousand hills, to huddle against a man-made cyclone in the jungle scrub of the Lamington Plateau, to go film-making with Charles and Elsa Chauvel – that's the object of this book.

In these pages you will share Elsa's dramatic years beside her film-producer husband, helping to pioneer a struggling motion picture industry. You will sail with them to lonely Pitcairn Island, where they face hazardous seas to bring back, for the first time, film footage of the hiding place of the Bounty mutineers. You will travel with the dedicated, adventure-loving pair to film in the rugged interior of the Northern Territory. You will listen to the thunder of hooves as they film the unforgettable, world-acclaimed charge of Forty Thousand Horsemen, and you will read of the stars discovered and created by Charles Chauvel: Errol Flynn, Mary Maguire, Chips Rafferty, Peter Finch, Michael Pate, Betty Bryant, Tudawali and Ngarla Kunoth of Jedda fame.

Chauvel, Charles, 1897-1959. | Chauvel, Elsa, 1898-1983. | Kunoth, Ngarla. | Tudawali, Robert, 1929-1967. | Motion picture producers and directors -- Australia -- Biography. | Motion picture producers' and directors' spouses -- Australia -- Biography. | Motion pictures, Australian -- Production and direction. | Motion picture industry -- Australia. | Film - Ethnographic. | Northern Territory (NT) | Cape York Peninsula (Qld SC54, SD54, SD55) | Palm Island (NE Qld SE55-10) | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686916>

Democratic adventurer : Graham Berry and the making of Australian politics / Sean Scalmer

Monash University Press, Australia 2020

xiv, 349 pages, 8 unnumbered pages of plates : illustrations, portraits ; 24 cm

9781925835779

\$ 95.00 / HB

730 gm.

Graham Berry (1822-1904) was colonial Australia's most gifted, creative and controversial politician. A riveting speaker, a newspaper proprietor and editor, and the founder of Australia's first mass political party, he wielded these tools to launch an age of reform: spearheading the adoption of a 'protectionist' economic policy, the payment of parliamentarians, and the taxing of large landowners. He also sought the reform of the Constitution, precipitating a crisis that the London Times likened to a 'revolution'. This book recovers Berry's forgotten and fascinating life. It explores his drives and aspirations, the scandals and defeats that nearly derailed his career, and his remarkable rise from linen-draper and grocer to adored popular leader. It establishes his formative influence on later Australian politics. And it also uses Berry's life to reflect on the possibilities and constraints of democratic politics, hoping thereby to enrich the contemporary political imagination.

Berry, Graham, Sir, 1822-1904. | Biography: general. | History. | Premiers -- Australia -- Biography | Statesmen -- Australia -- Biography. | Statesmen -- Victoria -- Biography. | Australia -- Politics and government -- To 1900. | Victoria -- Politics and government -- To 1900. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=713071>

The Brass NoteBook: A Memoir / Devaki Jain

Speaking tiger Books LLP, New Delhi 2020

215p, hb, 22cm, 450g, Photos

9789389958676

\$ 20.00 / HB

450 gm.

In this no-holds-barred memoir, renowned feminist economist and academician Devaki Jain recounts her own story and also that of an entire generation and a nation coming into its own.

She begins with her childhood in south India, a life of comfort and ease with a father who served as dewan in the Princely States of Mysore and Gwalior. But there were restrictions too, that come with growing up in an orthodox Tamil Brahmin family, as well as the rarely spoken about dangers of predatory male relatives. Ruskin College, Oxford, gave her her first taste of freedom in 1955, at the age of 22. Oxford brought her a degree in philosophy and economics—as well as hardship, as she washed dishes in a cafe to pay her fees. It was here, too, that she had her early encounters with the sensual life. With rare candour, she writes of her romantic liaisons in Oxford and Harvard, and falling in love with her 'unsuitable boy'—her husband, Lakshmi Jain, whom she married against her beloved father's wishes.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730337>

Women and leadership : real lives, real lessons / Julia Gillard & Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala

Vintage Books, Australia 2020

326 pages ; 24 cm

9780143794288

\$ 35.00 / null

510 gm.

An inspirational and practical book written by two high-achieving women, sharing the experience and advice of some of our most extraordinary women leaders, in their own words. From their broad experience on the world stage in politics, economics and global not-for-profits, Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala and Julia Gillard have some strong ideas about the impact of gender on the treatment of leaders. Women and Leadership takes a consistent and comprehensive approach to teasing out what is different for women leaders. Almost every year new findings are published about the way people see women leaders compared with their male counterparts. The authors have taken that academic work and tested it in the real world. The same set of interview questions were put to each leader in frank face-to-face interviews. Their responses were then used to examine each woman's journey in leadership and whether their lived experiences were in line with or different from what the research would predict. Women and Leadership presents a lively analysis of the influence of gender on women's access to positions of leadership, the perceptions of them as leaders, the trajectory of their leadership and the circumstances in which it comes to an end, featuring Jacinda Ardern, Hillary Clinton, Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, Theresa May, Michelle Bachelet, Joyce Banda, Erna Solberg, Christine Lagarde and more.

Politics & government. | Society & Social Sciences. | Leadership in women. | Women executives. | Women in public life. | Sex discrimination against women. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=713041>

Why I am not a Hindu Woman: a personal story / Wandana Sonalkar

Women Unlimited, New Delhi 2021

169p; pb; 22cm; 310g

9789385606311

\$ 8.75 / null

310 gm.

In a reasoned critique of Hindutva and Hinduism, feminist scholar and activist, Wandana Sonalkar, outlines why she, born female and upper caste in Maharashtra, has repudiated her religious identity. Based on her personal experience. and on textual and empirical evidence. she offers an intimate account of caste practices, and argues that patriarchy and Brahminism are integral to Hinduism. As such, it is misogynist and casteist, and its exclusionary imperatives are essential to both its practice -and to Hindutva, which extends this imperative to Muslims. She reiterates that discrimination and inequality have been to internalised that their daily observance segues seamlessly into social interactions. thus crystallising and entrenching them deeply in society.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735247>

Morarji Desai: A Profile in Courage / Aravindar Singh

Niyogi Books, New Delhi 2019

177p.; ill. 23 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9789389136012

\$ 16.25 / HB

490 gm.

This book is a distinct public service to the nation. I share the author's view about Shri Morarji Desai. The republic of India has never produced another Prime Minister who always remained "unmoved, unshaken, unswayed, unterrified". India will not look upon his like again. The honour of Bharat Ratna was never more richly deserved. I wish this book a very wide circulation.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=649123>

Development as Rebellion: A Biography of Julius Nyerere - In 3 Vols. / Issa G.

Shivji, Saida Yahya-Othman & Ng'wanza Kamata

Mkuki Na Nyota, Tanzania 2020

3v. (xxiv, 354p., xxiv, 254p., xxviii, 494p.)

Includes Index

9789987084111 (Set)

\$ 110.00 / HB

2200 gm.

Book One: The Making of a Philosopher Ruler / (Lead Author) Saida Yahya-Othman

; 9789987084098

Book Two: Becoming Nationalist / (Lead Author) Ng'wanza Kamata

9789987084128

Book Three: Rebellion Without Rebels / (Lead Author) Issa G. Shivji

9789987084159

This is the first comprehensive biography of Julius Nyerere, a national liberation leader, the first president of Tanzania and an outstanding statesman of Africa and the global south. Written by three prominent Tanzanians, the work spans over 1200 pages in three volumes. It delves into Nyerere's early days among his chiefly family, and the traditions, friends and education that moulded his philosophy and political thought. All these provide the backdrop for his entrance into nationalist politics, the founding of the independence movement and his original experiment with socialism.

The work took six years to research and write, involving extensive and wide-ranging interviews with persons from all walks of life in Tanzania and abroad. Among these were several leaders in East and Southern Africa who were based in Dar es Salaam during their liberation struggles. The authors also visited several British universities and archives with material related to Nyerere and Tanzania, thus enriching the work with primary sources that not available in Tanzania.

The book does not shy away from a critical assessment of Nyerere's life and times. It reveals the philosopher ruler's dilemmas and tensions between freedom and necessity, determinism and voluntarism and, above all, between territorial nationalism and continental Pan-Africanism.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=696323>

Loss Adjustment / Linda Collins

Awa Press, Wellington, New Zealand 2020

308p.

9781927249703

\$ 45.00 / null

480 gm.

Linda Collins gets up on a Monday morning, dresses for work, makes coffee and goes into her daughter Victoria's bedroom, wondering why she hasn't got up yet. It is an important day for Victoria- the start of the second term of her final year at school and the day she will hear her latest exam results. The bedroom is empty. So begins every parent's worst nightmare. Collins, a New Zealand journalist, writes with startling candour about her daughter's suicide- the secrets she kept from her parents, the revelations in the personal journals she left behind, and the struggle of Collins and Malcolm McLeod, Victoria's father, to find answers in the midst of enormous grief. How, they ask themselves, could they have missed the signs? What did the counsellors at Victoria's school know about her state of mind? Did her school friends have any idea how desperate she was? And above all, why would a beautiful, talented, much loved young woman take her own life? *Loss Adjustment* is a book for our times, an examination of the tragedy of teenage suicide from a profoundly personal viewpoint.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=742775>

This Is Not a Pipe / Tara Black

Victoria University Press, Wellington, New Zealand 2020

152p.

9781776563227

\$ 35.00 / null

350 gm.

I've decided to document my life in pictures. It's hard to draw the pole, because of the pole. Beth has a pole through her arms. This is not a metaphor. A metaphor would be a lot less inconvenient. On the other side of the room, Kenneth is creating a new religion. He thinks narrative is the operating principle of the universe. He also thinks he's the hero of Beth's story. Beth is worried he's going to leave her. The creatures living in the pole may have stolen her cat. Tara Black's comic is surreal, dark, sad, perversely joyful, and if you bet someone they couldn't find another book remotely like it, you would win. It's a little bit about being married to Kenneth. It's a little bit about losing your cat. It's definitely not about the pole. I've been told I hold my pen wrong. But it's the only way I can. 'One of the most potent, unsettling texts I've encountered.' -Tracey Slaughter 'Poetic, whimsical and painfully honest.' -Dylan Horrocks 'A strange and wonderful book, both surreal and very real.' -Tina Makereti 'A freaking masterpiece.' -Pip Adam Tara Black makes comics and sits in the front row of book events so she can draw the writers. Her work appears on *The Sapling*, *Stasis Journal* and her website, taracomics.com. *This Is Not a Pipe* is her first book.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=742776>

As Empires Fell : The Life and Times of Lee Hau-Shik, the First Finance Minister of Malaya / Ooi Kee Beng

ISEAS 2020

xvi, 236p.

Includes Index ; Bibliographical references.

9789814881449

\$ 21.90 / null

320 gm.

To understand how independence was gained for a politically complex country such as Malaysia, and how its structure took form requires familiarity with the key players involved. More importantly, only by locating these actors within the changing socio-political context in which they specifically lived does their influence both before and after the birth of the country become clear. Having written potent biographies about Malaysian and Singapore leaders such as Ismail Abdul Rahman, the Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia who died in 1973, Goh Keng Swee, the economic architect and one of the founding fathers of the Republic of Singapore, and Lim Kit Siang, the unwavering opposition leader of Malaysia, Ooi Kee Beng now tells the story of Lee Hau-Shik, based on the latter's extensive private papers housed at ISEAS Library, Singapore. Born in Hong Kong to a highly prominent family at a time when the Qing Dynasty was falling, Hau-Shik received degrees in Law and Economics in Cambridge and became a successful tin miner in British Malaya and an influential member of Kuala Lumpur's colonial society. After the Second World War, his influence in elite circles in China, Britain and Malaya allowed him to play a key role in the gaining of independence for Malaysia. He was one of the founders of the Malayan Chinese Association, and served as the country's first Minister of Finance.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703194>

Sir Bob Charles : The Biography / Geoff Saunders, Gary Player

Hope Publishing, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

xvi, 312p.

Includes Bibliography

9780473521813

\$ 60.00 / null

1150 gm.

This is the first comprehensive biography of Sir Bob Charles. He embarked upon a career that no New Zealander had chosen before - that of a full-time touring professional golfer.

He competed in the "golden age" of professional golf in the 1960's and 1970's, and acquired the title of the "best putter in the world". On the Senior PGA Tour from 1986 he became the man to beat.

With his 1999 knighthood and his elevation to the Order of New Zealand in 2011 he has been honoured not only for his success as a golfer but also for the way he has lived his life.

The combination of the narrative with over 160 photographs makes Sir Bob Charles - The Biography, a stunning in-depth study of the life and times of this great New Zealand sportsman.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=742768>

Oscar Garden : A Tale of One Man's Love of Flying / Annamaria Garden

Mary Egan Publishing, New Zealand 2020

256p.

9780473516536

\$ 45.00 / HB

1040 gm.

One day in 1930, a man walked into a department store in London and bought an aeroplane. Having just learned to fly, Oscar Garden dreamed of flying to Australia. In his newly purchased aeroplane, he did just that. This adventure and myriad others this risk-taker embarked on are recounted in this book. Oscar's love of flying saw him joy riding to many places in the world, including New Zealand, South Africa, and up through Africa to Palestine. While based in London, he joined British Airways and Imperial Airways flying flying boats across the Empire. Finally, he came to rest in Auckland, New Zealand, after delivering the Awarua, the second of New Zealand's flying boats, used during World War II for communication and travel, reducing New Zealand's isolation. He became Chief Pilot of TEAL, the New Zealand airline, for half of the war years and beyond, and eventually resigned due to serious disagreement over management and political agendas. This biography describes Oscar Garden's fascinating journey through these episodes.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=742769>

The Residents : Made in Wellington / Lucy Revill
Hiding Place Limited, Wellington, New Zealand 2020
270p.
9780473540067
\$ 60.00 / null
1040 gm.

For five years, Lucy Revill interviewed and photographed Wellingtonians on her blog, The Residents. The experience taught her about her hometown of Poneke, its resilience, and how people's personal style and values are reflected in their private spaces. The Residents: Made in Wellington is the culmination of this project. This coffee-table book shares 38 inspiring stories about how people - some prominent, some unsung heroes - have been shaped by life in the capital. With rare vulnerability, they allow Lucy into their homes, businesses and studios, giving a behind-the-scenes look at how they live and work in food, fashion, arts, small business and more. The book features Fat Freddy's Drop's Chris 'Mu' Faiumu, twentyseven names' Anjali Burnett and Rachel Easting, Eboni Waitere of Huia Publishers, Sophie Kasoylides of The Greek Food Truck, Vijay Parbhu of Dixon Street Shoe Repairs, and Monique Fiso of Hiakai, amongst many others.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=742766>

Shining Land : Looking for Robin Hyde / Paul Morris and Haru Sameshima
Massey University Press, Auckland, New Zealand 2020
96p.
9780995131828
\$ 45.00 / HB
550 gm.

Shining Land: Looking for Robin Hyde brings together award-winning novelist Paula Morris and distinguished photographer Haru Sameshima. It is the second in the korero series of picture books edited by Lloyd Jones, written and made for grown-ups, and designed to showcase leading New Zealand writers and artists working together in a collaborative and dynamic way.

In Shining Land Morris and Sameshima focus on the New Zealand journalist, poet, fiction writer and war correspondent Robin Hyde, exploring three locations important to her difficult life and ground-breaking work. This beautifully considered small book richly rewards the reader and stretches the notion of what the book can do.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=742767>

An Exquisite Legacy : The Life and Work of New Zealand Naturalist G.V. Hudson / George Gibbs
Potton and Burton, Nelson, New Zealand 2020
160p.
Includes Index
9781988550176
\$ 60.00 / HB
1050 gm.

The biography of one of New Zealand's greatest naturalist-artists, G. V. Hudson. George Hudson, 1867-1946, was one of New Zealand's pioneer naturalists, who devoted his life to collecting and describing the New Zealand insect fauna. He amassed what is probably the largest collection of New Zealand insects, now housed at Te Papa. Hudson also wrote seven books on insect fauna between 1898 and 1946, each illustrated in colour with immaculate paintings of the specimens, a total of over 3100 paintings, mainly focused on moths and butterflies. An Exquisite Legacy is a biography of Hudson, written by his grandson Dr George Gibbs, himself a prominent entomologist. Gibbs outlines the life of this naturalist and artist, whose dedication and output was truly remarkable. Hudson remained an amateur naturalist his whole life, but his contribution to our knowledge about the New Zealand insect world is of enduring significance, while his artistic legacy, built up over nearly seven decades, is truly remarkable. This extensive collection of exquisite illustrations is without parallel in New Zealand. Beautifully illustrated throughout, this biography of George Hudson is the first chance for most people to see his exquisite artwork. Up until now, his books have been valuable collectors' items unavailable to most people. A foreword by Courtney Johnston, Chief Executive of Te Papa Tongarewa, provided in recognition of the importance of this book, and the significance of the Hudson Collection at Te Papa.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=742765>

I'm In A United State / Paul Henry

Allen and Unwin, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

320p.

9781988547602

\$ 39.99 / null

500 gm.

Despite his best intentions, Paul Henry has written his third book. It's a charming and eccentric ramble through the United States and back to New Zealand during the Covid-19 pandemic. There are two weddings, an election, a new TV show and his love affair with Palm Springs, sad desert motels, road trips and other passions. A fascinating window into the intriguing world of Paul Henry. 'I love the USA. And in this book, in real time, over the first six months of 2020, I chronicle my thoughts and actions and draw from my past to try and work out why. I'm brutally honest and clearly disturbed, magnificently so! I literally don't care what people think. You will be surprised. This is me, now . . . You're welcome.' Paul Henry

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=742773>

Ralph Hotere – The Dark is Light Enough : A Biographical Portrait / Vincent O' Sullivan

Penguin Random House New Zealand, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

368p.

9780143775157

\$ 50.00 / null

550 gm.

Vincent O'Sullivan's compelling, nuanced portrait of the great New Zealand artist Ralph Hotere brings the man and his art to life. Ralph Hotere (Te Aupouri and Te Rarawa; 1931-2013) was one of Aotearoa's most significant modern artists. Hotere invited the poet, novelist and biographer Vincent O'Sullivan to write his life story in 2005. Now, this book - the result of years of research and many conversations with Hotere and his fellow artists, collaborators, friends and family - provides a nuanced, compelling portrait of Hotere: the man, and the artist.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=742774>

Go Fast or Go Home : The Garth Hogan Story / Tim Hanna

Go East Publishing Ltd, Wanaka, New Zealand 2020

480p.

9780473528874

\$ 50.00 / null

850 gm.

This is the story of motor racing legend Garth Hogan and his quest for speed on the ground and in the air.

Garth Hogan is a man who has been extraordinarily successful in his life. He is a big man with a quiet demeanour that borders on shyness. But that quietness masks a fiercely dedicated and competitive man who has achieved massive heights in life - both in the business world and in personal achievement associated with fast and powerful machinery.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=742771>

The Captain's Run : What It Takes To Lead The All Blacks / Gregor Paul
HarperCollins Publishers (New Zealand) Limited, Auckland, New Zealand 2020
304p.

9781775541646

\$ 45.00 / null

480 gm.

How the captains of the last 50 years have gone about leading the world's most successful rugby team. The job of All Blacks captain comes with a scrutiny that puts it alongside the prime minister in terms of profile and public expectation. It takes a strong, confident and assured personality to captain a team where failure is never tolerated. The Captain's Run is a behind the scenes journey into the world of All Blacks captaincy. It reveals how the great captains dealt with the pressure of the toughest job in world rugby, how they coped with failure, and what they would have done differently, if given their time again.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=742772>

Impossible : My Story / Stan Walker and Margie Thompson
HarperCollins Publishers (New Zealand) Limited, Auckland, New Zealand 2020
352p.

9781775541479

\$ 40.00 / null

560 gm.

A startling and important memoir about family and forgiveness, love and redemption. For the first time, Stan Walker speaks with startling honesty about abuse and addiction, hardship and excess, cancer and discrimination, and growing up in a family where love and violence were horribly entwined. From one of the finest singers to emerge from Australia and New Zealand Aotearoa in a generation, Impossible is a story of redemption and the power of forgiveness. It's also a story about courage and hope; about a young Maori boy finding his place and purpose, never forgetting who he is and where he came from.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=742770>

Mushirul Hasan: An Intellectual and Institutional Journey / Hari S. Vasudevan (ed)

Primus Books, New Delhi 2020

xii, 196 p.; 24 cm.

9788194428770

\$ 6.00 / null

370 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681253>

Dr. M.I. Okpara : A Biography / Chris Offodile
Fourth Dimension Publishing Co. Ltd., Enugu, Nigeria 1980

x, 126p.

9781560991

\$ 20.00 / null

220 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=743279>

Farida Waziri : One Step Ahead : Life as a Spy, Detective and Anti-Graft Czar /
Farida Mzamber Waziri

Webcza Inc. Publishing Company, New Jersey, USA 2019

xiv, 226p.

9781733306409

\$ 30.00 / HB

600 gm.

According to the author, "through this book, I am rendering my account by presenting my mosaic experience – as Special Branch operative, as pioneer head of the Special Fraud Unit (SFU), as a detective at CID, as commissioner of police, as former chair of EFCC, as wife of Nigeria's ambassador to Turkey, and as a lawyer that sat through one of the stormy moments of this country and witnessed first-hand behind-the-scene happenings that form part of Nigeria's development history."

She said, "myths and mythologies about Nigeria's endemic corruption are due to the chameleonic forms of the scourge. I had the privilege to dissect the problem from the vantage position of being at the helm of SFU and EFCC and I have simplified the anatomy of fraud and public office corruption in Nigeria.

"The trove of facts in the book belongs to the public. I have simply held them in trust for so long. I have no right to covet them. And having held them for so long, I have decided it is time to declassify them by putting them into a book form. This is the main motivation for the memoir."

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=743278>

How I Became a Senator in 30 Days / Senator Sadiq Suleiman Umar

Senator Sadiq Suleiman Umar, Nigeria 2020

214p.

Includes Index

9789789819843

\$ 30.00 / null

400 gm.

How Nigerian Senator, Sadiq Suleiman Umar, became a senator in 30 days in 2019

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=743277>

Riding the Storms with god in My Sails : The Autobiography of Admiral Alison Madueke / Alison A. Madueke

Eminent Biographies, Nigeria 2019

x, 514p.

Includes Index

9789789761593

\$ 50.00 / null

1000 gm.

It is an epic story of the travails and triumphs of a two-time Military Governor, a Naval Chief, and a Member of General Abacha's Provisional Ruling Council (PRC). It is a record of unblemished service of a patriot that served with fearlessness and integrity. Although it is a written account of his own life, the book is invaluable historical documents and succinct annals of the Nigerian military-political interplay over three dex

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=743276>

Hakainde Hichilema – The Economist: His Life's Story / Kasonde Mwenda C

Our Feet Publishers, Lusaka, Zambia 2017

144p.

Includes Index

9789982703666

\$ 40.00 / null

240 gm.

- 1.Hakainde, Hichilema, -- 1962-
- 2.Politicians -- Zambia -- Biography.
- 3.Businessmen -- Zambia -- Biography.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702731>

Passion Indelible! : “..Cry for yourself, do not cry for me.” – Michael Chilufya Sata / Kasonde Mwenda C and Mubanga B. Sata

Our Feet Publishers, Lusaka, Zambia 2017

152p.

Includes Index

9789982704328

\$ 40.00 / null

250 gm.

- 1.Sata, Michael Chilufya.
- 2.Politics and government.
- 3.Presidents -- Zambia -- Biography.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702732>

Zambia – The Freedom Struggle and the Aftermath : The Personal Story of Freedom Fighter and Leader Sylvester Mwamba Chisembele / Sopenhena Chisembele

Sylsop Books, Devon, United Kingdom 2016

xviii, 342p.

Includes Index

9780993409509

\$ 45.00 / null

600 gm.

Zambia obtained independence in 1964 after a bitter freedom struggle with the colonial power Britain. This book covers that period and events that followed the attainment of self-rule. The story is biographical in context, and describes through the personal and political life of one of Zambia's most prominent freedom-fighters Sylvester Mwamba Chisembele, a social and political history which includes the intrigues and plots that emerged before and after independence. Sylvester Chisembele was born in Luapula Province, Zambia (then Northern Rhodesia). He was educated at Lubushi Seminary run by the Catholic White Fathers from where he entered the political campaign for freedom from colonial rule. He quickly rose to prominence and became a leading figure in the struggle. During this period he survived an assassination attempt on his life as well as a failed plot to charge him with treason instigated by the colonial administration. Amongst other important events a description is given of the circumstances surrounding the imposition of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland; the broken promises made to the Litunga, ruler of Barotseland; the visit of the British Prime Minister to the territory in the early 1960s and the subsequent boycott of the Monkton Commission.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702730>

I Could Not be Hindu: The Story of a Dalit in the RSS / Bhanwar Meghwanshi

Narayana Publishing Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2020

236 p.; 23 cm.

9788189059934

\$ 10.00 / HB

450 gm.

In 1987, as the Ramjanmabhoomi movement gathers momentum, a 13-year-old from a village in Rajasthan joins the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh. Despite his untouchable status, he quickly rises to the post of karyavah. As the Babri Masjid is demolished in 1992, he becomes the district chief of Bhilwara. He hates Muslims with a passion without having met one. He joins thousands of karsevaks to Ayodhya. He mocks MullaYam Singh. He participates in riots. He goes to jail. He finds Hindutva intoxicating. He is ready to die for the Hindu Rashtra. And yet he remains a lesser Hindu. He turns into a critic of the Sangh, becomes an Ambedkarite and makes it his lifes mission to expose the hypocrisies of Hindutva. In this explosive memoir, translated by Nivedita Menon from Hindi, Bhanwar Meghwanshi tells us what it meant to be an untouchable in the RSS. And what it means to become Dalit.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681264>

Ulendo – Claude’s African Journey into War and Passion : A History of Empire seen through the Life of Claude Oldfield (1889-1963) British Colonial Officer, Northern Rhodesia / Malcolm Alexander , Archbishop Desmond Tutu

Aldridge Press, London, United Kingdom 2018

xxii, 426p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9780952065159

\$ 55.00 / HB

1100 gm.

A History of Empire seen through the Life of Claude Oldfield (1889-1963) British Colonial Officer, Northern Rhodesia.. In 1983, Malcolm Alexander was given the photo albums of his great-uncle Claude, a colonial officer in Africa from 1911 to 1932. Ulendo going for a walk in the bush is a quest for this elusive man in the vanished world of the British Empire, the story behind those captivating old photographs. When Claude arrived, beautiful Northern Rhodesia was a new colony and Malcolm explains its origins in Livingstones missionary zeal and Rhodes rapacious ambition. Three years later, Claude was on the front line in the brutal and highly mobile Africa campaigns of World War One, vividly narrated here. Having received the German surrender in 1918, Claude resumed his administrative work among Africans, missionaries and eccentrics and became involved in a passionate love affair. After Government cut-backs imposed early retirement and a return home, Claude met a young single woman and was again on active service as an RAF ground officer in the defence of London. During Claudes lifetime, the wind of change was already blowing and Northern Rhodesia became independent Zambia soon after his death. As Archbishop Tutu writes in his foreword: Malcolm has captured the bitter-sweet feeling that loving Africa engenders. At this moment, when we are re-examining the legacy of empire, it is imperative that we try and look again at what was driving people. Malcolm gives us that perspective.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702728>

Turbulence and Triumph The Modi Years / Rahul Agarwal, Bharathi S Pradhan

Om Books International, Uttar Pradesh 2020

431 p.; 24 cm.

9789352766222

\$ 25.00 / HB

1400 gm.

Whether a Modi-baiter or Modi-bhakt (follower), there is near-consensus on one fact: that on 26 May 2014, he changed the face of India forever. Since Independence, India had not seen a Prime Minister like Narendra Damodardas Modi - a worker so indefatigably driven that much before the completion of his first five years, he had impacted every individual, every institution, every Indian in one way or the other.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681265>

Against All Odds : Zambia’s President Edgar Chagwa Lungu’s Rough Journey to State House / Anthony Mukwita

PatridgePublishing, Johannesburg, South Africa 2017

viii, 166p.
9781482877243
\$ 40.00 / null
300 gm.

Humility Edgar Lungu has been known for many things but humility for a man of influence in a country where people often get over-consumed by their own self-importance sets him several paces apart from other politicians or national leaders. Observers have sometimes described his humility as his most admirable quality and, to many people - especially the common folk who make up the largest part of Zambia's population - his most endearing attribute. Tenacity If there was one word to describe Edgar Lungu as a late-blooming politician facing a vicious power struggle to replace Zambia's fifth President Michael Sata, tenacious would be that word. He needed bags of it, first, to survive the bitterly fought internal war to win the Patriotic Front's nomination to stand as its candidate in the 2015 Presidential election occasioned by Sata's death and, later, to fend off arch-rival Hakainde Hichilema of the opposition UPND in another closely contested Presidential poll. Politicians make their names for any number of reasons or actions. Some for their ruthlessness, others for their brashness, cunning or indeed kindness. Edgar Lungu seems to have crafted a name for himself simply by cleverly playing the role of the political tyro who knew little about the game...the 'green horn' the opposition made the fatal mistake of underrating. Peace-loving It is hard to imagine any other Zambian politician would so willingly have yielded to another the instruments of power left with them in accordance with the law by a sitting president, as Michael Sata did when he left Edgar Lungu to serve in his place the night he left for the UK to seek medical help in 2014. When Sata died in hospital, there were many 'expert' voices advising Lungu to keep hold onto the instruments of power, rather than decline to the incumbent Vice-President Guy Scott. Lungu happily handed over the instruments to a man who would then go on to do almost all in his powers to hinder his ambition to win the subsequent Presidential election. This is because he sought peace. "I want to be remembered as an ordinary person who became President, a person who brought ordinary and human characteristics to the office of the Presidency..." Edgar Chagwa Lungu, Hot FM radio interview October 2015. By Anthony Mukwita.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702729>

Love, Loss, and Longing in Kashmir / Sahba Husain
Zubaan Publishers Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi. 2019

xl, 252 p.; 22 cm.
9789385932878
\$ 15.00 / HB
470 gm.

In this personal and passionate account, activist and researcher Sahba Husain documents her deeply engaged and empathetic involvement with the politicised terrain of Kashmir. As she meets people that she speaks with and, more importantly, listens to, she begins to question her own Indian identity. Recognizing the anger, despair and helplessness of a people caught in conflict and violence, Husain forms deep friendships during her time working in the state.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681250>

May I Have Your Attention Please: Rethinking to Reclaim Rights / Madhu Bala Nath

Har-Anand Publications Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2019
159 p.; 23 cm.
9789388409094
\$ 15.00 / HB
420 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681248>

Halla bol: the Death and life of Safdar Hashmi / Sudhanva Deshpande
LeftWord Books, New Delhi 2020

257 p.; 22 cm.
9788194357919
\$ 12.00 / HB
470 gm.

On New Year's Day in 1989, Jana Natya Manch – Janam – the theatre group Safdar was a part of, and which he led, was attacked while performing a street play on the outskirts of Delhi. He was only thirty-four when he died from injuries sustained during this senseless attack. Beginning with a record of the attack that killed him, this vivid memoir illuminates the life of Safdar Hashmi – artist, comrade, poet, writer, actor, activist, and a man everyone loved. But this is not a book about one man or one tragic incident. Halla Bol shows us, close up, how one man's death and life are intertwined with the stories of many people.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681249>

The Apostle of Harmony : A Biography of Chief David Opeyemi Adetunmbi 1919-1990 / Seye Adetunmbi

Mindscope Africa, Ifaki-Ekiti, Nigeria 2018

368p.
Includes Index
9789789444069
\$ 60.00 / null
550 gm.

The Apostle of Harmony is a special purpose publication. The pictorial book is primarily the biography of the Chief David Opeyemi Adetunmbi, the father of the author. He was a teacher by profession, a devout Christian, an outstanding family man and a community leader. He was active in the Nigerian Union of Teachers between 1942 and 1979 and was elected the national leader of the association in 1976.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686990>

Close to the Wind : A Story of Escape and Survival out of the Ashes of Singapore 1942 / David B. Hill

Huia Publishers 2019

138 x 210 (mm)
9781775503491

\$ 34.06 / null

In May 1940, a group of Auckland yachtsmen who were members of the Royal Navy Volunteer Reserve left for the war. Leonard Hill, a young Maori sailor, and his friends arrived in Singapore under siege. Playing to their strengths as small boat sailors, they manned fast motor launches, raiding and rescuing Allies from behind enemy lines. On the night of 13 February 1942, the eve of the fall of Singapore, they took two Fairmiles, ML310 and ML311, to evacuate members of the Allied High Command and survivors of sinking vessels. Hunted down by the Japanese, most of the almost one hundred men perished. Some became POWs, and of those who attempted to escape, only three succeeded: Leonard Hill, Herbert 'Johnny' Bull and Andrew Brough. This is the story of how they evaded the Japanese and survived.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=701490>

The Quick And The Dead : True Stories of Life and Death From A New Zealand Pathologist / Cynric Temple-Camp

HarperCollins Publisher , Auckland, New Zealand 2020

336p.
9781775541516
\$ 50.00 / null
460 gm.

True stories of life and death from a New Zealand pathologist
From the number-one bestselling author of *The Cause of Death* comes a book about the unlikely, extraordinary, obscure and often tragic ways humans meet their end.

A dead body without a trace of trauma; alien parasites; worms of the brain; crocodile attacks and bizarre eating disorders ... In *The Quick and the Dead*, pathologist Dr Cynric Temple-Camp takes readers into a world of disease and death as he seeks answers for those who were unlucky, and those still alive to tell the tale.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703210>

You Have A Lot To Lose : A Memoir 1956-1986 (Vol: 2) / C. K. Stead

Auckland University Press, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

xii, 404p.

9781869409128

\$ 65.00 / HB

750 gm.

The second volume of C. K. Stead's riveting memoir, taking us from graduate school to Smith's Dream and the Springbok Tour.

New Zealand's most extraordinary literary everyman – poet, novelist, critic, activist – C. K. Stead told the story of his first twenty-three years in South-West of Eden. In this second volume of his memoirs, Stead takes us from the moment he left New Zealand for a job in rural Australia, through study abroad, writing and a university career, until he left the University of Auckland to write full time aged fifty-three.

It is a tumultuous tale of literary friends and foes (Curnow and Baxter, A. S. Byatt and Barry Humphries and many more) and of navigating a personal and political life through the social change of the 1960s and 70s. And, at its heart, it is an account of a remarkable life among books – of writing and reading, critics and authors, students and professors.

From Booloominbah to Menton, *The New Poetic* to *All Visitors Ashore*, from Vietnam to the Springbok Tour, C. K. Stead's *You Have a Lot to Lose* takes readers on a remarkable voyage through New Zealand's intellectual and cultural history.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703217>

Not That I'd Kiss a Girl : A Kiwi Girl's Tale of Coming Out and Coming of Age / Lil O'Brien

Allen and Unwin, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

344p.

9781988547589

\$ 40.00 / null

460 gm.

'Not That I'd Kiss a Girl triumphantly joins the select few New Zealand examples of the autobiographical coming-out genre. Compulsively readable and very much aware of the world, O'Brien's memoir is suspenseful and engaging.' David Herkt, New Zealand Herald. A heartbreaking and hilarious true story of coming out as gay in New Zealand.***

When it comes to her sexuality, her relationships, and her failings within those, O'Brien is admirably frank. She beautifully renders experiences that many authors would find difficult, if not impossible, to delve into. Even better is her ability to recount what it's like to come to terms, as fully as one can, with one's own place in the world.' Sam Brooks, The Spinoff*** Lil O'Brien accidentally outed herself to her parents at the age of nineteen when they overheard her talking to a friend about liking girls. Half an hour later she found herself on the side of the road, with instructions to come back and pick up her suitcase the next day. What follows is a heartbreaking yet hugely funny story of a young Kiwi girl - the deputy head girl from a posh private school - coming to grips with her sexuality in the face of stark disapproval from her parents. Bit by bit, Lil finds the inner strength to pull herself into an entirely new world. Along the way she's called out for looking too straight in a gay bar, tries to break in to the lesbian in-crowd and figures out how to send her internet lover back to America. She falls in lust over a knotted soccer shoelace, explores how the hell to have sex with a girl and dates four women at once - unsuccessfully. Lil's story is an insightful and honest look at how you figure out whether you're gay, bi or whatever - and deal with what comes next. It's an essential read for anyone who's had to fight for who they are and what they believe in.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703218>

The Mirror Steamed Over : Love and Pop in London, 1962 / Anthony Byrt

Auckland University Press, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

280p. ; 23.4x15.6cm.

Includes Index

9781869409104

\$ 60.00 / null

780 gm.

The untold story of how a group of young outsiders reinvented art in early sixties London.

In the early sixties at the Royal College of Art in London, three extraordinary personalities collided to reshape contemporary art and literature.

Barrie Bates (who would become Billy Apple in November 1962) was an ambitious young graphic designer from New Zealand, who transformed himself into one of pop art's pioneers. At the same time, his friend and fellow student David Hockney - young, Northern and openly gay - was making his own waves in the London art world. Bates and Hockney travelled together, bleached their hair together, and, despite being two of London's rising art stars, almost failed art school together. And in the middle of it all was the secretary of the Royal College's Painting School - an aspiring young novelist called Ann Quin. Quin ghost-wrote her lover Bates's dissertation and collaborated with him on a manifesto, all the while writing Berg: the experimental novel that would establish her as one of the British literary scene's most exciting new voices.

Taking us back to London's art scene in the late fifties and early sixties, award-winning writer Anthony Byrt illuminates a key moment in cultural history and tackles big questions: Where did Pop and conceptual art come from? How did these three remarkable young outsiders change British culture? And what was the relationship between revolutions in personal and sexual identities and these major shifts in contemporary art?

From the Royal College to Coney Island and Madison Avenue, encountering R. D. Laing and Norman Mailer, Shirley Clarke and Larry Rivers, *The Mirror Steamed Over* is a remarkable journey through a pivotal moment in contemporary culture.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703215>

Ripiro Beach : A Memoir of Life After Near Death / Caroline Barron

Bateman Books, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

280p.

9781988538204

\$ 45.00 / null

660 gm.

Does DNA write our destinies? Or do the hands that nurture triumph over nature? What is it that determines who we really are? Caroline Barron's father never found his birth mother. After he dies suddenly on her twentieth birthday, Caroline develops an insidious fear of her own untimely death. When she nearly bleeds out on an operating table during childbirth, it almost seems her greatest fear is justified. Emerging from the experience a changed woman, Caroline spends the next six years poring over her family history in an attempt to make sense of her inexplicable rage. The family secrets she unearths threaten to destabilise her identity and carefully built life, eventually leading her to Northland's rugged Ripiro Beach, where past and present dramatically collide. Ripiro Beach is a beautifully written, relentlessly honest memoir about one woman's determination to gather the threads of a life that has come undone.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703216>

Pull No Punches : Memoir Of A Political Survivor / Judith Collins

Allen and Unwin, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

288p.

9781988547510

\$ 50.00 / null

420 gm.

A candid and revealing memoir from one of politics' great survivors - National MP, Judith Collins.

The most anticipated political memoir of the year.

A frank account from National MP Judith Collins of the highs and lows of a political life. From her humble beginnings as the youngest daughter of Labour-voting farming parents, Judith Collins has carved a path to almost the very top of New Zealand politics.

Collins grew up in rural Walton, Waikato, on a dairy farm. At the age of 10 she entered politics, running for class president. She won.

After a successful career as a lawyer, Collins became the MP for Papakura in 2002, alongside fellow new recruit John Key. When Key and National won office in 2008, Collins became the Minister for Police, Corrections and Veterans.

Pull No Punches is the candid story of a determined Minister at the centre of New Zealand political life and of a woman who is always resilient in the face of adversity.

Funny, forthright and fearless, Collins reveals what it is like to survive-and thrive-for two decades as a senior female politician.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703213>

Know Your Place : The Story of a Child Refugee Who Faced Her Fears, Found Her Home and Accidently Made History / Golriz Ghahraman

HarperCollins Publisher (New Zealand) Ltd, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

320p.

9781775541424

\$ 50.00 / null

480 gm.

The story of a child refugee who faced her fears, found her home and accidentally made history

When she was just nine, Golriz Ghahraman and her parents were forced to flee their home in Iran. After a terrifying and uncertain journey, they landed in Auckland where they were able to seek asylum and - ultimately - create a new life.

In this open and intimate account, Ghahraman talks about making a home in Aotearoa New Zealand, her work as a human rights lawyer, her United Nations missions, and how she became the first refugee to be elected to the New Zealand Parliament.

Passionate and unflinching, Know Your Place is a story about breaking barriers, and the daily challenges of prejudice that shape the lives of women and minorities. At its heart, it's about overcoming fear, about family, and about finding a place to belong.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703214>

Leading Lady : Eve Poole, A Life in the Spotlight / Vivienne Allan , Jeanette Cook

Quentin Wilson Publishing, Christchurch, New Zealand 2020

408p.

Includes Index

9780995132900

\$ 50.00 / null

1000 gm.

Articulate and intelligent, Eve Poole had a passion for the theatre and the arts. Her desire to protect one of Invercargill's cultural icons led her into politics and she was elected as the city's first woman mayor in 1983. Cath Tizard broke similar ground in Auckland that year – the two becoming trailblazers at each end of the country. As a member of the QEII Arts Council (later Creative New Zealand), Eve played an active role in encouraging the visual and performing arts across the country. She was equally at home on the stage as an actor and director; on hugely popular national TV shows such as *Beauty and the Beast*, and as a member of the NZ Committee on Women, an early forerunner of the Ministry of Women's Affairs, during the UN Decade for Women. She gained national prominence for her leadership when the 1984 floods ravaged her adopted city and the surrounding region. Vivienne Allan tells the story of her mother's life with warmth and honesty, beginning with the struggle to find passage out of Germany in the 1930s. When war broke out Eve, still only 17 and living with her family in Tel Aviv, joined the British Army, serving as a driver in Egypt. There she met the New Zealander who was to become her husband and, after discharge, moved to Invercargill to raise their family with him. Eve's practicality, determination and humanity saw her retain the mayoralty for four terms until her untimely death in 1992.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703211>

Bill Birch : Minister of Everything / Brad Tattersfield

Mary Egan Publishing, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

324p.

Includes Index ; Select Bibliography

9780473501976

\$ 50.00 / null

760 gm.

Bill Birch was the quiet achiever of New Zealand politics. A trusted lieutenant to Prime Ministers Muldoon, Bolger and Shipley, Birch was at the heart of the action across a turbulent quarter-century of political and social change. From 'Think Big' and the Employment Contracts Act to overhauls of immigration, health, ACC, fiscal management, industry training, electricity markets and producer boards, Birch managed controversial, risky reforms, and much of what he achieved endures today.

As Bill English says: "I think he was the major force for stability and sometimes the only force for stability. These were, compared to what we deal with now, very tempestuous times. In a caucus that's always under pressure, you need people capable of exercising considered judgement, and the caucus looked to Bill in practical terms." Birch's story, from humble rural Waikato roots to political change-maker, is of an ordinary New Zealander who achieved extraordinary things. He was a legendary workaholic, the 'doer' who shunned the limelight and did the hard yards behind much of New Zealand's economic transformation.

He tells all in "Bill Birch - Minister of Everything", written by former staffer and journalist Brad Tattersfield.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703212>

Anxious Autumn : A Covid-19 Lockdown Diary / Chris Macclean , Anna Rogers

Whitcombe Press, Waikane, New Zealand 2020

116p.

9780473530686

\$ 40.00 / null

400 gm.

On 25 March 2020 New Zealand went into lockdown to prevent the spread of the coronavirus Covid-19. For the next five weeks our 'team of five million' endured the unprecedented experience of being required to stay home to save lives. The lockdown was different for everyone – for some it was a reprieve from ordinary life, even a holiday; for others it was a challenging, at times harrowing, experience. Anxiety, boredom, fear, frustration and loneliness became daily companions for many. *Anxious Autumn* tells just a small part of this nationwide story: how one couple in a provincial city lived through a strange and historic period, when the traffic stopped, the skies cleared of pollution and the natural world reasserted itself. Historian Chris Maclean's readable record of lockdown life focuses on both the domestic – food, alcohol, Netflix – and the wider national and international picture, as the world changed with frightening speed. Some leaders, like New Zealand's, shone in the crisis; many others were found wanting. The sun shone, too, in an endless autumn of glorious weather. None of us will ever forget this time but Chris Maclean's thoughtful, funny and touching diary will remain a vital and accessible record in whatever future may lie ahead.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703209>

Memory Stick / Anne Manchester

Wayfarer (The Cuba Press), Wellington, New Zealand 2020

240p.

Includes Index

9780995115453

\$ 40.00 / null

300 gm.

Born in Hamilton in 1950 with a penchant for drama, Anne Manchester was perplexed by her remote mother and frustrated by the strictures of a post-war upbringing. She launched into university life at full tilt, demonstrating against the Vietnam War, waitressing in Suzy's Coffee Lounge, losing her virginity to a gay man, taking part in university revues with Roger Hall and, despite her feminist beliefs, found herself crowned Miss Victoria University of Wellington. Anne began work as a film editor and took off on her OE, bringing an English husband home with her. They moved into a cottage in Eastbourne, where Anne has lived ever since, through the raising of two firecracker sons and the loss of one through a tragic accident, an unstinting passion for theatre, a controversial role as co-editor of *Kai Tiaki* Nursing New Zealand, divorce, remarriage and the joys of becoming a grandmother. *Memory Stick* is the story of a passionate woman living in the thick of things over seventy years of societal and cultural change, and weathering her share of loss, heartbreak and mistakes with courage and chutzpah. Written with a journalist's flair, it's a lively and entertaining read.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703220>

Metamorphosis : A Scientist's Story / Glen Metcalf , Sarah Bolland

Wayfarer (The Cuba Press), Wellington, New Zealand 2020

316p.

Includes Index

9780995115477

\$ 40.00 / null

380 gm.

A story of one woman's transformation from a traditional Kiwi 'housewife' of the 1950s into a Career Fellow of the New Zealand Medical Research Council. Born in 1926, married at 21, and a mother of two children by 25, Glen Metcalf kept the home fires burning while her husband earned the money for their family. Deciding this was not the life she wanted—and wanting to put her MSc to use—Glen contacted Donald Beaven at the Medical Unit in Princess Margaret Hospital. It was here she metamorphosed into a scientist, gaining her PhD and publishing a number of professional papers.

On retirement, Glen became a campaigner on environmental and social issues, going to the Environment Court as an objector to a wind farm in an area of rare limestone bush, and becoming involved with her local Mount Pleasant community following the Christchurch earthquakes.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703219>

Navigating and Transforming Lives : A Chronology by the 34th and 1801 Sea Scouts Group, Singapore / (Eds) Laura Lau and Aileen Tan Boon

Suntree Media Pte Ltd., Singapore 2020

136p.

9789811425783

\$ 35.00 / null

600 gm.

The history of 34-1801 Sea Scout from Perak House memoir on the overland expedition of young sea scout boys to England , sea scouting activities, band and achievements.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730013>

Home Is Where We Are / Wang Gungwu & Margaret Wang

Ridge Books (NUS Press), Singapore 2021

viii, 300p. ; 229X152mm. ; 10 b/w images ; Casebound.

Includes Index

9789813251328

\$ 22.00 / HB

650 gm.

Does home have to be a country or a city? ... Or is home this house or that? We have been fortunate...We seemed always to have been home.

Wang Gungwu, historian of grand themes and broad perspectives, has held positions in universities around the world, from London and Cambridge to Kuala Lumpur, Canberra, Hong Kong and Singapore. This second volume of his memoirs, written with his wife Margaret, continues the very personal story begun in Home is Not Here (2018).

Wang's account of his years at the University of Malaya, captures the excitement, the ambition—and the naïveté—of young English-educated elites being prepared for leadership by the departing colonial power. He introduces us to some outstanding personalities of this founding generation of two nations, including young medical student Mahathir Mohamad.

We also see these years from Margaret's perspective, her own fascinating family story, and her impressions of this young bearded poet. The exploration of the emotional and intellectual journey towards the formation of an identity, treasured by readers of Home is Not Here, extends in this volume into an appreciation of love, family life, and the life of the mind.

Wise and moving, this is a fascinating reflection on identity and belonging, and on the ability of the individual to find a place amidst the historical currents that have shaped Asia and the world.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730012>

A Life Intertwined : Reminiscences of an Accidental Raffles Historian / Leslie Danker

Raffles Hotel Singapore, Singapore 2020

328p.

9789811463037

\$ 40.00 / null

360 gm.

'A Life Intertwined', by Resident Historian, Leslie Danker, released to mark the hotel's 133rd birthday. Produced in partnership with National Heritage Board (NHB), the aptly-named memoir recounts the rich history and heritage of the iconic property through Danker's collection of mementos and trivia, as well as interesting anecdotes from his 48-year career at the hotel.

Interspersed with clippings, illustrations, notes and photos of Raffles Hotel Singapore's illustrious history, 'A Life Intertwined' is a nostalgic recollection of Danker's personal stories and reminiscences of the hotel. The book chronicled his first visit to Raffles Hotel Singapore when he was 18 years old, from his first position as the hotel's maintenance supervisor in 1972, his personal recount of the transformation of the Grand Dame through two restorations, to his journey of becoming an 'accidental historian' shortly after the first restoration began in 1989, because of his in-depth knowledge of the hotel.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718364>

An Examined Life: Politics and Principles (Essays from Malaysiakini, the Nut Graph, and Hornbill Unleashed) / Sim Kwang Yang

SIRD, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia 2020

xii, 268p.

9789672464167

\$ 16.00 / null

480 gm.

Sim Kwang Yang (1948-2014) was known as SKY to generations of readers and political admirers. SKY was a hermeneutic philosopher, a three-term MP for Bandar Kuching, and a columnist for Malaysiakini, The Nut Graph, and many other national and Sarawakian newspapers, writing in English and Chinese. Sarawak's SKY meant light, and fresh air, to Malaysian society. He was Anak Sarawak, Bangsa Malaysia: a national leader respected by political allies and opponents alike. SKY's principles of universal concern and social justice remained solid, throughout four decades of political education and writing. SKY was incorruptible. His idealism shone through the cynicism of Malaysian politics. His essays, full of intellectual curiosity and humour, offer us inspiration and insight today, at a time when sophistry and despair in our national life seem ever more prevalent.

"Those who thought that change in Malaysia could come overnight may do well to be prepared for a long haul ahead. History has often shown that those in power will not willingly surrender their monopoly on the control of appropriating resources. That power has to be wrenched from their clenched fists, a little at a time, until they fall. Fall they will, because no political ruling class can rule forever...

"Whatever the outcome of these (elections), one should not be overjoyed or over-depressed. There will be many more battles ahead. Our desire for change will have no chance of immediate gratification. What we ought to do in the eye of the national storm is to reiterate to ourselves our very human and noble aspiration to freedom from corruption, abuse of power, and bad governance, and dream of democracy, transparency, accountability, and justice for all. Then we make our personal choice, and a sustained commitment to those ideals every time we vote, again and again. That is our only course forward, in this messy state of affairs."

Sim Kwang Yang
February 2009

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Woman of Faith : From Online Sellers to CEO / Karen Agreda-Cabunilas

Central Book Supply, Inc., Quezon City, Philippines 2020

120p.

9786210212082

\$ 30.00 / null

220 gm.

This book does not only inspire women but it also testifies what one's FAITH can do. I hope and pray that it will reach thousands of women around the globe and that God will speak to each and every heart as they read this book.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=743378>

Abi Nako, Or So I Thought / Jhoanna Lynn B. Cruz

The University of the Philippines Press, Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines 2020

xii, 220p.

9789715429245

\$ 25.00 / null

420 gm.

Abi Nako, or So I Thought is a memoir of Cruz's first ten years in Davao City, where she moved after her heterosexual marriage had failed. It is about her efforts to rebuild her life as a single mother to two children and her adventures in (re)fashioning herself as a writer and a lesbian in the face of her own false expectations.

As a memoir, the overarching narrative is concerned with starting over and dealing with the challenges of relocating to a distinctly Davao community. But with this memoir being a significant part of her process of becoming, Cruz also interrogates its form by approaching it in a nonlinear manner, with twenty stand-alone essays as chapters and some graphic elements.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=743377>

Beyond Will and Power : A Biography of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte / Earl G. Parreno

Optima Typographics, Lalulapu City, Philippines 2019

228p.

9786218161023

\$ 40.00 / null

500 gm.

A biography of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte by investigative journalist Earl G. Parreno

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=743376>

Biyaheng Pinoy : A Mindanao Travelogue / Edilberto N. Alegre (ed)

Bughaw (Ateneo De Manila University Press), Quezon City, Philippines 2020

xxxvi, 442p.

9789715509220

\$ 30.00 / null

500 gm.

Biyaheng Pinoy: A Mindanao Travelogue is one of the most significant Mindanao travelogues written in recent times. It chronicles the author's extensively varied travels across Mindanao while documenting highlights of his sojourns in thirty-six well-written essays. He wrote of the places of great interest to him, indigenous people he encountered, events he witnessed as he journeyed, people he got to know, and the varieties of ingredients and ways of cooking foods distinctive to those places. This book is a journey of a mind actively at work in doing baseline cultural research and reflecting the author's work; such a design for a book is virtually a kind of intellectual biography.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=743375>

Life After Bahau : From Adversity in War to a Lifetime of Achievement : A True Life Autobiography of Peter GS Lim / Peter GS Lim

Patridge, Singapore 2020

104p.

9781543757743

\$ 18.00 / null

200 gm.

This memoir tells of the hardship faced by my family escaping from the Japanese invasion in once peaceful Singapore. Running away from my home to another country, without decent food or any future, at only 6 months old, how I survived with no milk but solely on sweet potatoes grown by my mother and siblings with their bare hands from soil that was mainly clay, and unsuitable for agriculture. Despite the disadvantages of being over age for schooling, and with the hard life that was brought to my family, I was considered most fortunate among my siblings to have survived from the war, despite the lack of nutritional food. I was even later in my teen ventured to London from Singapore, hoping to better myself, by land through treacherous countries and learn about the different cultures. Graduated as a graphic designer from the London College of Printing, came back to Singapore to set up a design studio, operated a childcare centre, and years later attached to a Multinational IT company as an Education Councillor before my retirement in 2018.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730018>

Into the Unknown : The Secret WWI Diary of Kiwi Alick Trafford No. 25/469 / Ian Trafford

Penguin (Penguin Random House New Zealand), Auckland, New Zealand 2020

352p.

Includes Bibliography

9780143775126

\$ 49.99 / null

520 gm.

A personal account of WWI from the diaries of a Gisborne farm boy, shaped into a gripping narrative by the diarist's grandson 100 years later. Follow Alick as he moves from his last night on the farm in early 1916, through enshippment and training, then off to the battle fields of France and Belgium, occupied Germany and back home. His treasured diaries covered the tedium, the mud, the fear and sorrow, the discomfort, the periods of leave and the letters from those back home. See the war unfold through Alick's eyes and learn about his and his companions' attitudes to the army, to female company, to the enemy soldiers, to the hospitality provided by people under pressure, to the war itself. And after the drama and tragedy of war, comes the return home and the efforts required to make a living while remaining steadfastly silent about the traumas of those terrible years – an unseen fight that continued and affected generations to come.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716628>

Tough Country : Tall Tales of Bushmen, Bulldozer and Back-Country Blokes / Mike Bellamy

HarperCollins Publishers, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

256p.

9781775541523

\$ 49.99 / null

400 gm.

Tall tales of bushmen, bulldozers and back-country blokes. 'It was the mid-1970s and I was about eight, I thought it was completely normal for your old man to pull out a high-powered deer-hunting rifle and fire it through the kitchen door from the breakfast table...' In the 1970s and 80s, Barry Bellamy was a fair old bushman, traversing the back-country from Hawke's Bay to the far north in a blue ex-airforce Land Rover. His son Mike would join him as he took up work, wherever he could get it. Tough Country is Mike's story, about a bygone era of bushmen, scrub-cutters, hunters and shepherds. Later, Mike forged his own life working on the land, and his stories of the characters of the 1980s and 90s, from tradies to digger-drivers, are as hilarious as they are quintessentially Kiwi.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716629>

The Girl from Revolution Road / Ghazaleh Golbakhsh

Allen & Unwin, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

240p.

9781988547398

\$ 49.99 / null

380 gm.

'A book for our times, written with wit, lyricism, cynicism and tenderness.' Rachel House

A powerful collection of personal essays on displacement, being different and living between two worlds, told with humour and self-reflection.

Based on Ghazaleh Golbakhsh's experience as an Iranian immigrant growing up in New Zealand, these essays range from a childhood in war-torn Iran, including the trauma of a night spent in prison as a six-year-old, to learning English so she could make friends, to dating in the days of Corona. This is about growing up as a young woman torn between her immigrant roots and her desire to be like everyone else. The humour is sometimes offset with the more sombre reminder of the racism that has always existed in this country, from misguided quips to more serious stories of harassment. The impact of recent world events shows that, more than ever, marginalised voices are needed in our cultural discourse.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716630>

This Farming Life : Five Generations on a New Zealand Farm / Tim Saunders

Allen & Unwin, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

272p.

9781988547466

\$ 49.99 / null

400 gm.

The joys and the harsh realities of farm life, from a writer whose family has farmed the same piece of land for five generations. Farmer Tim Saunders manages to incorporate some writing into his days, and here he describes his life through the seasons: Summer, shearing, slaughter, crop harvest, conservation; Autumn, floods, trading stock, drenching, dagging; Winter, maize harvest, lambing; and Spring, docking, pet sheep, weaning. It's a tough life and through his powerful, poignant writing Tim tells of his connection to the land, why he loves farming, how he's also conflicted by it and what it is that keeps him tethered to that place.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716638>

Searching for Charlie : In Pursuit of the Real Charles Upham VC and Bar / Tom Scott

Upstart Press Ltd, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

368p.

9781988516608

\$ 65.00 / HB

980 gm.

Charles Upham was the most highly decorated soldier in the Commonwealth forces of WWII, and could arguably be called the bravest soldier of the war. An unassuming stock worker/ valuer at the beginning of the war, he stormed through Crete and the Western Desert amazing and confounding his comrades with his exploits. He won two Victoria Crosses (the only combat soldier ever to do so) and in the opinion of his superiors deserved many more. Captured, he became an escape artist and ended his war in the famous Colditz POW camp. Shy and reluctant to take credit for his actions, he deflected all praise onto his soldiers and was described as distraught that he had been honoured. He then farmed in North Canterbury until his death in 1994, avoiding the limelight wherever possible. There has been one previous biography, Mark of the Lion published in 1962, which was a major bestseller and sells to this day.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716626>

Fridays With Jim : Conversations About Our Country with Jim Bolger / David Cohen

Massey University Press, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

288p.

Includes Index

9780995123021

\$ 60.00 / HB

740 gm.

A FORMER NEW ZEALAND PRIME MINISTER CANDIDLY REVIEWS HIS LIFE AND THE STATE OF THE NATION. A self-taught son of Irish immigrants, devout Catholic, rough-hewn King Country farmer and farming lobbyist, Jim Bolger entered New Zealand political life in the 1970s. He was a flinty Minister of Labour under Robert Muldoon and Prime Minister from 1990 to 1997. As ambassador to Washington, he helped create warmer relations with the United States. In recent years, he has chaired boards, served as the chancellor of the University of Waikato and marked more than a half-century of marriage to Joan, with whom he has nine children. Never given to orthodoxies, yet staunchly National in his politics, in his stillenergetic eighties he remains an impressively brisk progressive thinker. For six months he regularly sat down on Fridays with the writer David Cohen to reflect on his life and times, our nation and world. Fridays with Jim reveals a quintessential man of the old New Zealand who is fully in synch with the new New Zealand, and with plenty of ideas about where its all heading.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716627>

Stop the Clock : A Memoir on Ageing With Dignity, Grace and Humour / Gordon McLauchlan

David Bateman Ltd, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

232p.

9781988538174

\$ 39.99 / null

540 gm.

The best way to learn anything is by doing it - this is a maxim that goes back to Aristotle. Gordon McLauchlan agrees. He has concluded that the only way of learning how to manage growing old is by growing old. He doesn't believe that wisdom is necessarily a concomitant of old age but suggests that, while there is no fool like an old fool, it is also true that there is no sage like an old sage. Borrowing quotes from philosophers and writers collected in a Commonplace Book over more than sixty years, Gordon traces his own ascent into the eighties. Ascent, he insists, not descent as so many politicians and economists would claim as they discuss the concerns of the ageing the way parents sometimes speak to each other about their children in the same room.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716682>

Losing the Silver Spoon / James Wilson

Henry Elworthy Publishers, Picton, New Zealand 2019

208p,

Includes Index

9780473504397

\$ 45.00 / null

350 gm.

This is a rollicking tale of the highs and lows of a life well lived. Born into a life of privilege, James Wilson was always too free-thinking to be kept down on the farm, content to follow in his ancestors' footsteps. Slowly but determinedly he pulled away from tradition and set off on his own sometimes rocky and precarious path. Ten years at elite boarding schools didn't snuff out his dreams of adventure, which subsequently found him travelling across the Sahara desert and down the length of Africa in a little Mini, and later upifting his wife and four children to work as a farm advisor on a cattle farm in Malaysia. Back home again, he turned the farming over to his long-suffering wife Barbie and embarked on a career as an inventor and entrepreneur, with some successful - and occasionally disastrous - results. Eventually the family farm was sold and Barbie and James have carved out a new active life in the Marlborough Sounds. James's ride through life has been a rollercoaster, but he has few regrets and the proverbial silver spoon is now but a faint memory.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716639>

Believer : Conversations with Mike Moor / Peter Parussini

Upstart Press Ltd, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

336p.

9781990003042

\$ 50.00 / null

580 gm.

Michael Kenneth Moore was probably New Zealand's last working-class Prime Minister and while the book is inevitably political, it is also a remarkable New Zealand story about an ordinary kiwi achieving extraordinary things. This book is based on conversations held with Mike Moore over the past 12 months and reflections on his life and career involving people who were part of it. The chapters focus on key moments in his life – growing up partially crippled in poverty in rural Northland, moving to Auckland and becoming a trade unionist and New Zealand's youngest MP, losing his seat and fighting the Labour Party to get another one only to be diagnosed with cancer, helping make David Lange Prime Minister and beating Muldoon, the turmoil of the fourth Labour Government including becoming Prime Minister for only 59 days, taking Labour to within two seats of Government and being cruelly deposed as leader by Helen Clark in 1993, the years in wilderness when he came close to setting up a new party and not participating in a coup against Clark, his audacious campaign to become Director General of the World Trade Organisation, becoming New Zealand's Ambassador to the US and the stroke that cut it short, and his hopes for the future. In a country that celebrates sporting success Moore's story is also heroic because he has the same traits of smarts, hard work and determination to achieve at the highest levels – despite numerous setbacks – that all New Zealanders admire in the successful.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716640>

The Wars Within : Struggles of a Former Top CPP-NPA-NDF Cadre / Phil Fortuno, PhD

Mindspark Publishing, Philippines 2020

xviii, 280p.

9786219608732

\$ 25.00 / null

400 gm.

The life of Victor Patria, from whom this book is wrought, is rich with accounts that can help provide theoretical insights into the emergence and maintenance of enemy images in various social contexts starting from the family, peer groups, and the society. From Victor's 27 years in the CPP-NPA-NDF, one can immediately acknowledge how historical enmity as well as other political, social and economic motivations contribute to a climate of ready hatred against the government by young individuals recruited from schools and communities.

Examining enmification, or the process of how Victor developed enemy images against the state, is important in determining drivers that either push or pull individuals to being recruited to the local communist movement. Significantly, the book highlighted many key aspects of the CPP-NPA-NDF: (1) How they recruited bright and promising students and impacted millions of families in the process, (2) How they agitated different sectoral groups, (3) How they infiltrated different organizations and hijacked their advocacies to push the communist agenda instead, (4) How the CPP-NPA-NDF runs on favoritism and corruption; and, (5) How resources for the people were, and are being, used for communist insurgency initiatives.

THE WARS WITHIN is one of the many relevant tools that can be used in peacebuilding. It fittingly reminds each one of us that real sociopolitical transformation starts from within us, and with our respective family and community. The author had aptly presented the story in a sincere and brotherly manner, thus giving the reader a pleasant feeling that he is personally conversing with Victor.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718496>

Beyond Oakwood : A Story of Soldierly, Defiance, and Transformation / Albert Baloloy and Phil Fortuno

Mindspark Publishing, Philippines 2020

xvi, 250p.

9786219608725

\$ 35.00 / null

380 gm.

The compelling true-to-life story of a former Philippine Army Scout Ranger Captain and his group of battle-hardened soldiers' spiritual renewal through the transformative power of the word of God and how it carried them beyond the brutal battlefields, beyond the walls of their detention facility, and beyond Oakwood.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718495>

The Longest Day : Standing up to Depression and Tackling the Coast to Coast / Matt Calman

Allen and Unwin, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

304p.

9781988547305

\$ 35.00 / null

450 gm.

Matt Calman's most consistent tool for dealing with problems throughout his life was alcohol. But it got to the stage where he was no longer willing to put up with the dark side of his drinking. So he quit. But the problems that had been simmering away for most of his life merely came to a head. It led to a major depressive phase with panic attacks and thoughts of suicide. Finally Matt began the slow climb to rebuild himself. He was ready to find something. It just happened to be the Coast to Coast Multisport World Championships, the toughest endurance race in New Zealand. The Longest Day outlines Matt's path back from depression, his struggles to learn to run, cycle and kayak at an elite level and the culmination of all that training: his Coast to Coast race. Through his training he learns about process rather than outcome, and how true success and enjoyment is embedded in the journey not the destination. This is a riveting read for sports fans and a compelling account of courage and determination

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685482>

Life as a Casketeer / Francis and Kaiora Tipene with Paul Little

HarperCollins Publishers, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

336p.

9781775541486

\$ 40.00 / null

500 gm.

Francis and Kaiora Tipene aren't your typical funeral directors. With their famous humour and big-hearted personalities, the TVNZ and Netflix reality TV stars are changing the way we think about death and grief.

Life as a Casketeer reveals how Francis and Kaiora grew up in families that had few possessions but were rich with love and tikanga, and how they came to work in their often misunderstood profession. It's also a book about the Maori world view and traditional funeral customs. The Tipenes make death feel less mysterious and life feel more precious.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685481>

Sourde Colere : Un Aborigene Indigne / Stan Grant

Au vent des iles. Papeete, France 2020

232p.

9782367342153

\$ 46.00 / null

320 gm.

Un Aborigène indigné Une réflexion personnelle d'une puissance hors du commun sur les questions raciales, culturelles et identitaires. En tant qu'Aborigène, Stan Grant a dû faire face toute sa vie à l'héritage raciste de son pays, l'Australie. Confronté dès l'enfance à l'adversité, il a réussi à y échapper grâce aux études et à la découverte des écrits de James Baldwin, devenant l'un des journalistes les plus reconnus d'Australie. Dans cet essai, Stan Grant réagit au racisme qu'il observe autour de lui, toujours aussi présent. Il décrit avec une passion et une sincérité déchirantes la colère, la honte et les épreuves inhérentes à son identité. D'une écriture directe, stupéfiante, il nous rappelle qu'il ne faut jamais rien tenir pour acquis dans notre combat pour en venir à bout.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730191>

Letter From America: Memoir of an Adopted Child / Gil Ndi-Shang

Spears Media Press LLC, Cameroon 2019

xviii, 234p. ; 229x152mm.

9781942876489

\$ 30.00 / null

400 gm.

Inspired by Alistair Cooke's masterpiece "Letter from America" (1934-2004) that depicted the transformation of British culture in the United States of America, Ndi-Shang's text redefines 'America', focusing on the melting pot engendered by African, indigenous, European and Asian cultures in Latin America through the case of Peru, the erstwhile epicentre of Spanish empire in Latin America. It is a reflection on the triangular relationship between Africa, Europe and America against the backdrop of slavery and (neo-) colonialism which continue to define intimate experiences, daily interactions, personal trajectories and human relations in a 'globalized world'. Ndi-Shang probes into the legacies of racial inequalities but also the possibilities of a new ethic of encounter amongst human beings/cultures. The text is based on an intricate interweaving of the humorous with the tragic, the personal with the global, the historical with the current and the real with the creative.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685417>

A Zambian Journalist: In Pursuit of Three Freedoms / Mike Daka

Gadsden Publishers, Zambia 2019

viii, 226p. ; 229x152mm.

Includes Selected Bibliography

9789982241175

\$ 32.00 / null

400 gm.

Mike Daka's story is a fascinating account that is at once the story of an extraordinary journalist, and rich insight into the history of the media and journalism in Zambia and Southern Africa. Born into humble circumstances, his journey took him into journalism as reporter and editor and then to shaping and leading the Zambia Institute of Mass Communication which taught generations of journalists through changing political circumstances. Never one to shy away from a challenge, Daka retired from Zamcom to start Breeze FM in Chipata, a radio station that became internationally renowned for its unique character as a commercial operation that provides community and public service.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685416>

My Life, My Purpose: A Tanzanian President Remembers / Benjamin William Mkapa

Mkuki n Nyota Publishers Ltd, Tanzania 2019

xii, 320p. 229x152mm.; Colour Photographs.

Includes Index

9789987083039

\$ 30.00 / null

650 gm.

His Excellency Benjamin Mkapa was Tanzania's third president, elected under the first multi-party general election in Tanzania. His memoirs range from his childhood, time as president, and his continuing post-retirement involvement on the international stage of development and peace mediation. This book will appeal to readers interested in: an African's personal experiences of colonialism in East Africa; the struggle for independence by the liberation movements of several African countries; how war helped unify the diverse citizens of a young nation; fostering nationalism and addressing ethnic and religious differences; the economic and social aspects of transition to socialism and then to a free market environment; the political transition from a single party state to multi-partyism; and relations with international organisations and development partners. During the ten years of his presidency he undertook substantial reforms, such as the privatisation of national assets, securing international debt relief and restructuring the public service. His Excellency writes of his childhood, his political maturation, the evolution of the State and politics in Tanzania, as well as some political upheavals in neighbouring countries. These memoirs are enriched by his views on leadership and advice for aspiring leaders. After Julius Nyerere, few books have been written by senior Tanzanian leaders on the evolution of Tanzania; in fact more literature has been produced by foreigners than Tanzanians, thus H.E. Mkapa's memoirs are a milestone. This book will appeal to aspiring leaders; students of development, international politics and diplomacy; those working for development partners; historians and those who want to know more about their Tanzanian heritage.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685418>

The 3 Brothers : Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen's Sons / Chhay Sophal
Chhay Sophal, Phnom Penh, Cambodia 2020

iv, 294p.

9789924918271

\$ 30.00 / HB

650 gm.

The book is a culmination of five years of research, including first-hand interviews. It offers an in-depth look into the lives of the Prime Minister's three sons, Hun Manet, Hun Mani and Hun Many.

The book provides an insight into life growing up with highly influential parents, with themes covering major lessons they had learnt from their father, to intimate accounts of their personal and romantic lives, as well as their visions for the future of Cambodia.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=717194>

The master teacher: my life and times / Pon Sundararaju

Stamford Press Pte Ltd, Singapore 2019

xxv, 119p.

9789811436079

\$ 28.00 / null

220 gm.

Born in 1947, veteran Tamil-language writer and educator Pon Sundararaju has been a regular contributor to Singapore Tamil literature since his first play was aired by the Singaporean Broadcasting Corporation in 1968. His oeuvre to date of over 40 plays for television, 30 plays for radio, numerous short stories and two published collections of short fiction can be read as a modern history of the Tamil community's struggle to maintain their Tamil identity and prosper in twentieth-century Singapore. In 2007, Pon received the Pulamai Thendral award from World Tamils Unity Society, Tamil Nadu, for his literary contributions.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685402>

Bun Rany : Cambodia's Strongman's Wife / Chhay Sophal

Chhay Sophal, Phnom Penh, Cambodia 2020

244p.

9789924918264

\$ 30.00 / HB

580 gm.

The book, titled 'Bun Rany, the wife of Cambodia's Strong Man', mainly documents Ms Rany's life during war, especially during the 1975 to 1979 reign of the Khmer Rouge, up until the country obtained peace. The 309-page book also details her childhood and adulthood through war, separation, peace and humanitarian missions.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=717195>

A Dominant Character: The Radical Science and Restless Politics of J.B.S. Haldane / Samanth Subramaniam

Simon & Schuster India, New Delhi 2019

378p.; 24 cm.

9789386797520

\$ 20.00 / HB

700 gm.

J.B.S. Haldane, scientist extraordinaire—born in Britain yet spiritually bound to India—remains one of the most enigmatic geniuses of the modern era. Here is a man who saw action in two world wars, engaged in the most radical politics of his day, conducted groundbreaking scientific research, and wrote with flair and conviction—yet Haldane's universe remains shrouded in mystery. Award-winning author Samanth Subramaniam's latest offering undoes this travesty. Besides shedding light on Haldane's contributions to genetics and evolutionary biology—he was the first to calculate the rate at which mutations occur and accumulate in genes—the book illuminates Haldane's inner world—his towering intellect, his radical vision of society, his provocative philosophy, and his attempts a wrestling with the essential moral questions that scientific progress must raise.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=679562>

Governing : A Singapore Perspective / S Jayakumar

Straits Times Press, Singapore 2020

192p.

9789814827911

\$ 28.00 / null

340 gm.

Professor S. Jayakumar, a former minister, diplomat and law dean, shares his candid views on many facets of Singapore's governance, including fascinating first-hand and behind-the-scenes accounts.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735097>

Breath of Gold: Hariprasad Chaurasia / Sathya Saran

Penguin Books India (P) Ltd, Gurgaon 2019

xviii, 256p.; 22 cm.

9780670092512

\$ 15.00 / HB

500 gm.

Fights, action, music, romance, secret trysts—renowned classical musician Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia's life reads almost like a film script. Wrestler in the morning, student during the daytime and flute player in secret, he lived more than a double life through his early years, till he broke away from his wrestler father's watchful eye to join All India Radio as a flautist.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=679509>

Becoming Hafeez Contractor: The Making of an Architect / Harshad Bhatia

HarperCollins Publishers, Uttar Pradesh 2019

xii, 275p.; 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9789353574024

\$ 17.75 / HB

600 gm.

From doodling on the edges of his schoolwork as a child to designing some of the iconic buildings in the country, Hafeez Contractor has had an outstanding career. Offices, residential complexes, hotels he has done them all. From the trend-setting buildings at Hiranandani Gardens at Powai and the Imperial Towers at Tardeo, both in Mumbai, the futuristic Russi Mody Centre for Excellence in Jamshedpur and the ITC Grand Central hotel in Mumbai to the swanky apartments at DLF Gurgaon, Apollo Hospital in Delhi, the corporate offices of ONGC at Dehradun, IL&FS in Mumbai, and Infosys in Bangalore, Hafeez's creations have altered the physical profile of architecture in urban India.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=679503>

Wild at Heart : The Dangers and Delight of a Nomadic Life / Miriam Lancewood
Allen and Unwin, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

312p.

9781988547381

\$ 40.00 / null

500 gm.

Gripping sequel to the international bestseller *Woman in the Wilderness*, Miriam Lancewood's story of the quest for a simple life, unfettered by society's norms. Miriam Lancewood's first book *Woman in the Wilderness* told her story of living for seven years in the wilderness of New Zealand with her husband, hunting and gathering, and roaming the mountains like nomads. Miriam and Peter left New Zealand to explore other wild places. They walked 2000 km through the forests of Europe and along the coast of Turkey, mostly camping under trees and cooking by fire. They lived on the edge, embracing insecurity, and found the unexpected: sometimes it was pure bliss, sometimes it was terrifying. But when they moved on to the Australian desert, they met with disaster. This gripping story is about life and death, courage and the power of love.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730228>

The Covid Chronicles : Lessons from New Zealand / Paul Little
HarperCollins Publishers, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

304p.

9781775541691

\$ 40.00 / null

450 gm.

The dramatic story of New Zealand's response to a global pandemic. For the first time in history, on 15 March 2020 the New Zealand government closed the country's borders. What followed was a story unprecedented in almost every way imaginable.

Featuring Finance Minister Grant Robertson, science communicator Siouxsie Wiles, Queenstown Mayor Jim Boulton, funeral directors Francis and Kaiora Tipene, Student Volunteer Army founder Sam Johnson, the Prime Minister's Chief Science Adviser Juliet Gerrard, businesswoman Jenene Crossnan and Auckland City Missioner Chris Farrelly - from a kura kaupapa principal to real estate agents: *The Covid Chronicles* is a multi-stranded account of one of the most extraordinary times in Aotearoa's history, and the lessons we must heed for our future.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730227>

Freyberg : A Life's Journey / Matthew Wright (Ed) Carolyn Lagahetau
Oratia Books, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

216p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9780947506728

\$ 50.00 / null

500 gm.

In this fresh account of one of the 20th-century's great New Zealanders, Matthew Wright approaches Bernard Freyberg the man rather than the more widely known figure of a military leader. What took a humble immigrant child in Wellington to become a hero in two wars, friend to literary giants and politicians, very private father and husband, and very public governor-general? Freyberg: A Life's Journey is the most accessible biography on 'Tiny' Freyberg yet, with numerous black and white photos.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730226>

Bus Stops on the Moon : Red Mole Days, 1974-1980 / Martin Edmond

Otago University Press, Dunedin, New Zealand 2020

272p. ; 170x240mm.

9781988592510

\$ 60.00 / null

700 gm.

Bus Stops on the Moon is a personal and a cultural history. As memoir, it is a sequel to *The Dreaming Land* (2015). A troubled and restless young Martin Edmond is on his way to becoming the wiser, older man who will sit down and write both narratives. As cultural history, the book gives us a participant's-eye view of the early years of Alan Brunton and Sally Rodwell's avant-garde theatre troupe Red Mole. Formed in 1974, Red Mole performed Dadaesque cabaret, agit-prop, costume drama, street theatre, circus and puppetry, live music, and became a national sensation. They toured the country with Split Enz and travelled internationally. One of Red Mole's five founding principles was 'to escape programmed behaviour by remaining erratic'. They ticked that one off. In *Bus Stops on the Moon* Martin Edmond offers, with his customary elegance, a rich and entertaining picture of the high times and low lives of Red Mole.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730225>

A History of the Present : A Biography of Indian South Africans, 1994-2019 / Ashwin Desai And Goolam Vahed

Oxford University Press, New Delhi 2019

390p.; 22cm.

Includes Index, Bibliography

9780199498017

\$ 37.50 / HB

600 gm.

A History of the Present is the first book-length overview of Indian South Africans in the quarter century following the end of apartheid. Based on oral interviews and archival research it threads a narrative of the lives of Indian South Africans that ranges from the working class men and women to the heady heights of the newly minted billionaires; the changes wrought in the fields of religion and gender; opportunities offered on the sporting fields; the search for roots producing local histories that tell of nostalgia, longing and identity; and the links with India and a myriad of transnational organisations. Indians in South Africa appear to be always caught in an infernal contradiction; too traditional, too insular, never fitting in, while also too modern, too mobile. Can we speak of an Indian 'diaspora' in relation to a people divided by migratory experiences, region, religion, language, ethnicity, caste, and economic status? While focusing on Indian South Africans, this study makes critical interventions into several charged political discussions in post-apartheid South Africa, especially the debate over race and identity, while also engaging in discussions of wider intellectual interest, including diaspora, nation, citizenship and race.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=710638>

Breaking Through : A Memoir / Isher Judge Ahluwalia

Rupa Publications India Pvt.ltd, New Delhi 2020

x, 173p.; 23cm.

9789390260287

\$ 10.00 / HB

400 gm.

Breaking Through is an account of a remarkable life that was witness to remarkable times. A riveting and inspiring autobiography of an amazing woman who built her stature as a global thought leader in development economics with courage, commitment and boundless intellectual pursuit. —Kiran Mazumdar Shaw, Founder and Executive Chairperson, Biocon Limited. This is the life story of Isher Judge Ahluwalia, one of the leading Indian policy economists of her generation. Born into a family with eleven children and limited means, where she was one of the first to attend university, she takes us through her journey to Presidency College, Delhi School of Economics and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. She chronicles her career as a young policy economist fighting against the Indian economic orthodoxy that underpinned the license-permit-quota Raj, as an institution builder leading the Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations (ICRIER), one of India's leading economic think tanks for over a decade, and also her most recent role in focusing attention on the challenges of urbanization in India. Narrated with candor and from the heart, this is also a story of a woman balancing career and family, and trying to stay close to her roots as her life path takes her through the power corridors of New Delhi, both through her own career, and through a 50-year-marriage to Montek Singh Ahluwalia. An outsider to Delhi, who ultimately became the consummate insider, Breaking Through is an account of a remarkable life that was witness to remarkable times.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=717219>

One Minute Crying Time / Barbara Ewing
Massey University Press, Auckland, New Zealand 2020
336p.
9780995122956
\$ 45.00 / null
440 gm.

The dazzling memoir of one of New Zealand's best-known actors in 1962, the young New Zealand actress Barbara Ewing left for London, to train at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art. She went on to have a distinguished career in the theatre and in television and film, and to write celebrated novels. This vivid memoir covers her tumultuous childhood, adolescence and young-adulthood in Wellington and Auckland in the 1950s and early 1960s. Evocative, candid and brave, this entrancing book takes us back to a long-ago New Zealand with its often difficult relations between Maori and Pakeha. And it explores, with the help of old, fading diaries, the enduring but mysterious interweavings of love, memory and truth.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=696850>

Relentless : How a Mother and Daughter Defied the Odds / Lisa Tamati , Cushla Young and Kristy Martin
Lisa Tamati and Ocean Reve Publishing, New Zealand 2020
xvi, 266p.
9781925935998
\$ 40.00 / null
300 gm.

When extreme endurance athlete, Lisa Tamati, was confronted with the hardest challenge of her life, she fought with everything she had. Her beloved mother, Isobel, had suffered a brain aneurysm and a stroke, resulting in massive brain damage. The prognosis was dire. Relentless tells a story of despair, hope, love and the incredible insights found in the darkest of moments. It not only shares the difficulties of going against the medical fraternity, but provides information on the treatments used, expert advice, and key principles in overcoming obstacles. It will inspire and guide anyone who wants to succeed, no matter what the challenge. This book is for those who are facing terrible odds; for those who can't see light at the end of the tunnel; for those who need to know about courage, self-belief, mental toughness, and being vulnerable when being relentless is the only option.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=696857>

Husna's Story : My wife, the Christchurch Massacre and My Journey to Forgiveness / Farid Ahmed and Kimberley Davis

Allen and Unwin, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

320p.

9781988547480

\$ 45.00 / null

480 gm.

Husna Ahmed was a victim of the Christchurch mosque terrorist attack on 15 March 2019. She was shot while looking for her husband, who was in a wheelchair.

The couple had been praying when a gunman burst into the mosque. He shot and killed 51 people that day and injured many others. In this book Husna's husband, Farid Ahmed, tells Husna's story, including the day of the attack. Farid describes the selflessness and bravery with which Husna lived her life. As well as looking after her daughter and paraplegic husband, Husna was an important member of the community, helping women and running classes for children. Her last selfless act was going back into the mosque to look for her husband on that fateful day, after she had already led other women and children to safety. Husna's husband, quite remarkably, forgives the alleged killer. Farid's philosophy of forgiveness, peace and love is an example of how faith and humanity can be tools for navigating even the most horrific of tragedies.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=696847>

The Divorce Diaries / Sarah Quigley

Penguin Random House, New Zealand 2020

272p.

9780143772941

\$ 45.00 / null

400 gm.

Hard-hitting and frank, this is an entertaining reflection on divorce and starting all over again.

Funny, honest, confronting and wise, this is a bitter-sweet true story of breaking up . . . and breaking through. 'I hear you're divorced?' a friend greets me. 'Congratulations!' The Divorce Diaries outlines the difficult and often heart-breaking process of leaving a marriage and starting over. Sarah Quigley has garnered numerous accolades for her articles on the subject, including Columnist of the Year in the MPA Awards. Now she revisits and reconsiders the tumultuous months leading up to exiting her marriage and the equally confusing emotions that followed.

Living in a tiny rooftop apartment, surrounded by glossy millionaire neighbours, Quigley begins the process of overcoming grief and loneliness. As she takes the first tentative steps back into the world of dating, she shares both her darkest and most hilarious moments as a divorcee. Against the colourful bohemian backdrop of her adopted city, Berlin, she rediscovers the satisfaction and joys of independence.

'Brave, insightful and utterly compelling' — Judges on The Divorce Diaries column, MPA Awards, Columnist of the Year

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=696848>

My Life and Time : An Autobiography / Yog Prasad Upadhyay

Sangri-La Books India Ltd., Kathmandu, Nepal 2020

344p.

9789937734073

\$ 30.00 / null

260 gm.

Mr. Yog Prasad Upadhyay a retired politician and diplomat, joined politics through Akhil Bharatiya Nepali Rastriya Congress (1946) which later became Nepali Congress. He was a member of the Central Executive Committee of Nepali Congress in exile (1961-1977) and also actively involved in party politics as a member, assistant General Secretary and Spokesperson of the Nepali Congress Party (1977-1991). Mr. Upadhyay is also known as one of the administrative architects of the post-Rana Government in Nepal. He served as a Deputy Secretary in different departments (1950-1959) and as a Secretary in the Ministry of Communications, Works (Roads and Buildings), Power, Irrigation, Aviation and Tourism (1959-1961). After the restoration of democracy in 1990, Mr. Upadhyay became the Minister for Home Affairs and Communications and contributed to drafting the constitution and holding the first parliamentary elections under the new constitution-1990. He became a Member of the Parliament (Upper House) 1999-2001 and Minister for Education in 1999. He served as an Ambassador to the U.S.A., Canada, Mexico, and Panama (1991-1993). He was one of the first Fulbright Scholars from Nepal (1952-53).

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=710667>

I, Journalist, and Other Newsroom Introspections / Joel Pablo Salud, Patrick F. Campos and Rolando B. Tolentino

The University of the Philippines Press, Quezon City, Philippines 2020

xviii, 150p.

9789715429337

\$ 30.00 / null

300 gm.

In I, Journalist, and Other Newsroom Introspections, veteran Joel Pablo Salud takes on a newsman's most challenging beat: the self. Through these interconnected essays (reportage, because backed by pro rigor, or memoir, because meant to be consumed in the quiet hours of self-reckoning? Writ, because hot damn Salud loves his calling and doesn't want to see it screwed up!), the writer shares the tough breaks and propitious turns of the profession. Just plain compelling storytelling, then, from the light bulb advertorial as literal and figurative career moment, to the almost inhuman standards that most journalists hold themselves up against. The stuff of Salud's long engagement with the truth and a public that deserves it, this time unpacked, reparsed, and readied for a new readership to discover. —Paolo Enrico Melendez, Editor and fictionist.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735147>

Ramesh Chandra Agarwal: The man who created the Dainik Bhaskar Group / Bharathi S Pradhan

Amaryllis an Imprint of Manjul Publishing House Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi 2019

x, 225p.; ill. 24 cm.

9789389647044

\$ 7.75 / HB

540 gm.

The building of the No. 1 newspaper empire in India was like an architect's ground plan – Ramesh Chandra Agarwal laid the foundation edition by edition, city by city, state by state, going into the den of the mightiest and slaying them without fear.

That quality of never cowering was an inheritance from his father.

Ramesh Chandra blended it with an unparalleled taste for risk-taking and a thirst for venturing into the unknown, throwing this Molotov cocktail at his rivals who stood mocking the new entrant before it hit them.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=679446>

The Making of Hero: Four Brothers, Two Wheels and a Revolution that Shaped India / Sunil Kant Munjal

HarperCollins Publishers, Uttar Pradesh 2020

xxviii, 221p.; 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9789353026776

\$ 17.75 / HB

540 gm.

From the by lanes of Kamalia and the rugged landscapes of Quetta in India of the 1940s and what became Pakistan, they escaped to the Partition-ravaged cities of Amritsar, Agra and Delhi, with little more than the shirts on their backs. From here, four of the six Munjal Brothers built their business, part by part. There was no grand vision of building a world-scale enterprise; their aim was simply to survive. Hero began with trading and then manufacturing bicycle parts, evolved into bicycles, mopeds, automotive parts and motorcycles & scooters, and today Hero and its successors encompass service businesses and infrastructure.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=679445>

A Chequered Brilliance: The Many Lives of V.K. Krishna Menon / Jairam Ramesh
Penguin Books India (P) Ltd, Gurgaon 2019

xvi, 725p.; ill. 24 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9780670092321

\$ 25.00 / HB

1180 gm.

This is a compelling new biography of one of India's most fascinating and controversial public figures. V.K. Krishna Menon commands our attention not just because he was Jawaharlal Nehru's confidant and soulmate but also for his own political and literary accomplishments. A relentless crusader for Indian independence in the UK in the 1930s and 1940s, he was a global star in the 1950s before he was forced to resign in the wake of the India-China war of 1962. Meticulously researched and based entirely on new archival material, this book is also a rich history of the tumultuous times in which Krishna Menon lived.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=679449>

The Magnificent Diwan: The Life and Times of Sir Salar Jung I / Bakhtiar K.
Dadabhoy

Vinate an Imprint of Penguin Books India (P) Ltd, Gurgaon 2020

lxxxii, 476p.; ill. 24 cm.

Includes Bibliography.

9780670092529

\$ 25.00 / HB

880 gm.

The Magnificent Diwan: The Life and Times of Sir Salar Jung I is the definitive biography of arguably India's most influential and powerful statesman of the nineteenth century. Drawing on extensive archival material, this is a compelling account of the life and times of a remarkable Indian who as Diwan or prime minister decisively shaped Hyderabad's political and economic history for nearly three decades in the second half of the nineteenth century. It was Salar Jung who, by his reforms of the medieval oligarchy that was Hyderabad, ushered the state into the modern era.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=679452>

Steering a Middle Course : From Activist to Secretary General of Golkar /
Sarwono Kusumaatmadja

ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore 2020

260p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789814881654

\$ 28.00 / HB

Born with motor impairment, Sarwono Kusumaatmadja grew up with low self-esteem. Yet, within this awkward, shy boy lay a steely resolve to overcome his weaknesses. It was this same resolve that propelled him to study at high school in the United Kingdom, thousands of miles from his native land. Navigating life on his own in the UK forged Sarwono into an independent and resilient individual; one who never flinched in the face of challenges, but also one who never wanted to play the hero either.

His unique character and integrity acted like a magnet for opportunities back home in Indonesia. He was chosen to be Chairman of the University Student Council of the Bandung Institute of Technology even though he did not campaign for it. And when he made it into the national parliament, it was at the behest of the military. He then became Secretary General of Golkar, the country's ruling party, without having to pull any strings.

In taking on all the opportunities that came his way, Sarwono remained true to himself, which later meant saying no to President Soeharto when the latter tried to recruit him to be part of his inner circle.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=735101>

An Epic Life Ramanand Sagar from Barsaat To Ramayana / Prem Sagar

Westland Publications Private Limited, Chennai 2019

ix, 277p.; ill. 24 cm.

9789388754804

\$ 14.75 / HB

580 gm.

On 25 January 1987, with the telecast of the very first episode of Ramayan, Indian television changed for all time to come. In a matter of weeks, the series became a national obsession. During the Ramayan slot, roads emptied out. No marriages and political rallies were scheduled for that time. More than three decades later, there has been nothing to match it. Ramanand Sagar, the man behind the phenomenon and a successful filmmaker from Bombay, was among the first to recognise the immense power of television.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=679486>

Data Ganj Bakhsh of Lahore (Biography, Shrine, Kashf ul-Mahjub) / M. Ikram Chaghatai

Sang-e-Meel Publications, Lahore, Pakistan 2019

256p.

9693532414 ; 9789693532418

\$ 40.00 / HB

500 gm.

1. Biography – Data Ganj bkhsh.

2. Islam – Sufism.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=687003>

Aafia Unheard : Uncovering the Personal and Legal Mysteries Surrounding FBI's Most Wanted Woman! / Dawood Ghazanavi

Jumhoori Publications, Lahore, Pakistan 2020

x, 188p.

9789696521631

\$ 30.00 / HB

360 gm.

Terrorist! Lady Al-Qaeda! The Gray Lady of Bagram! FBI's Most Wanted! Prisoner 650!...Innocent! These and more labels have been used to describe Dr. Aafia Siddiqui; a brilliant minded young Pakistani woman, an MIT graduate, and a mother, who found herself being the focus of a case which continues to serve as an example for the War on Terror in response to 9/11. From Dr. Aafia's humble beginnings to her disappearance in 2003 surviving secret prisons, convicted of attempted murder of American officials, to her sentencing of 86 years, and more, there are numerous questions waiting to be answered. Covering the (08 CR 826) United States of America v Aafia Siddiqui case and the (14 CV 3437) Aafia Siddiqui v United States of America case documents, transcripts, government and defense witness testimonies, and the court orders, "Aafia Unheard" offers in-depth factual information about this politically controversial figure and brings forth Aafia's narrative like never before.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=687004>

When Turtles Come Home : A Memoir on Life in the Philippines / Victoria Hoffarth
Central Book Supply Inc., Quezon City, Philippines 2019

258gm.

Includes Bibliography

9786210208238

\$ 25.00 / null

380 gm.

When Victoria Hoffarth was at graduate school in U.S., her lecturer, the anthropologist Margaret Mead, once told her class, "There are so many varied places in the world. It is incumbent upon us to search for one where we most fit." Thus, despite having been born and brought up in the Philippines, Victoria never felt at home there. And so, she became a cultural refugee, searching for where she most fitted.

This is a story of finding yourself and learning to look beyond.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=687020>

The Tausug Cookbook : The Best of Home-Cooked Halal Tausug-Filipino dishes /
Abdulaziz H. Hamsain

Central Book Supply, Inc., Quezon City, Philippines 2019

82p.

9786210209587

\$ 35.00 / HB

300 gm.

"Sharing these Tausug recipes is a lifetime project. This book is a collection of our family recipes passed on from one generation to another. My goal here is not to just share and adaptation of our family recipes but also to preserve and promote our dishes which is a unique part of the Tausug culture." - AbdulAziz Hamsain

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=687021>

A Memory of Time / A. Reyes Jr.

New Day Publishers, Quezon City, Philippines 2020

224p.

Includes Selected Bibliography

9789711013714

\$ 30.00 / null

480 gm.

I am a retired Ambassador. I have published three books, including one on the Philippine Revolution of 1898, one on the Poet Laureate Jose Corazon de Jesus's poem Gloria (a National Book award work) as translated into a Philippine language Pampango, and one on Philippine stands on Disarmament from 1983 to 1991. I am now publishing two books, a novella on Manila, and one summarizing my essays printed in the last four years on culture and heritage. I wish to write on the Spanish impact on the Philippines in the 333 years that it was dominant in the Philippines, possibly in time for the 500th year of Magellan's landing in the country.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=687016>

The Road Never Ends / Emil Jurado ,Adelle Chua and Jenny Ortuoste
Philippine Manila Standard Publishing Inc.,Makati City, Philippines 2020
xii, 164p.
9786219624909
\$ 30.00 / HB
350 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=687017>

The First Filipino : A Biography of Jose Rizal / MA. Guerrero, Carlos Quirino
Anvil Publishing,Pasig City, Philippines 2019
384p.
Includes Bibliography
9789712735738
\$ 20.00 / null
480 gm.

"Rizal is usually portrayed in extremes either as a sinner or a saint, but Guerrero took the middle ground and gave his readers a human Rizal. Guerrero's extensive and sensitive use of Rizal's correspondence and writings shaped a new and more human picture of Rizal. It is remarkable in that the biographer usually stands aside and allows Rizal to speak for himself." – Ambeth R. Ocampo.

***"To Guerrero, Rizal is the greatest man produced by the Malay race; but he does not depict him as a saint or a stuffed shirt—rather, as a very human person, with faults common to many men, and even with "an eye for the fair sex," a failing which some of our countrymen, who want to canonize the hero, would rather omit or gloss over." – Carlos Quirino

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=687018>

Dungganon (Honorable) : The story of three women in Negros : their hopes, struggles, and triumphs in creating a better tomorrow / M. Sebastian , Muhammad Yunus
Negros Women for Tomorrow Foundation, Inc.,Negros Occidental, Bacolod City, Philippines 2019

xx, 128p.
9786210207965
\$ 20.00 / null
240 gm.

Project Dungganon is a story of unlocking the entrepreneurship of hundreds of thousands of forgotten women in a forgotten island where the only thing you are supposed to survive on is to work as sugarcane farmers. In order to do it Cecile, Ching, and Cora moved away from the traditional role of NGO leaders, they brought out their top-quality entrepreneurship from their side to create a financially self-sustaining programme. Their entrepreneurship is dedicated to unfolding the entrepreneurship of women who were never thought of possessing any trace of entrepreneurship.

Obviously, this journey was a hazardous journey. This was ridden with doubts, many unknown pitfalls, and many uncertainties. This was the same for both Cecile and the women borrowers. But these are the challenges entrepreneurs are supposed to take. They took it gallantly. That's the story of Project Dungganon.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=687019>

Krish: Struggle Lawyer / Krish Naidoo
Krish Naidoo, South Africa 2019
xii, 308p.
Includes Index
9780620834568
\$ 32.00 / null

600 gm.

Krish Naidoo practised as a human rights lawyer in Johannesburg, South Africa in the 1980s.

This book records his life, the political trials he was involved in and his activities in sport, culture and the legal fraternity.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685233>

Betting on a Darkie: Lifting the Corporate Game / Mteto Nyati (Ed)

Kwela Books (NB Publishers), South Africa 2019

256p.

9780795709296

\$ 32.00 / null

400 gm.

Mteto Nyati knew years ago as a schoolboy in Mthatha, working behind the counter at his mother's trading store, that he wanted to fix and build things. After completing his studies at Natal University in Mechanical Engineering, he turned down a Rhodes scholarship and headed for Johannesburg to take up a position at Afrox. He was the only black engineer and the sole advice he received from his superiors was 'don't mess up'. He didn't and today is one of South Africa's top CEOs, having steered Microsoft and MTN out of troubled times. He is currently guiding the transition of Altron from a family business, started at the height of apartheid, into a high-performing international IT company with a social conscience. This is his inspirational story about shattering stereotypes with persistent hard work and dedication.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685232>

My African Conquest: Cape to Cairo at 80 / Julia Albu (Ed)

Jonathan Ball Publishers, South Africa 2019

xiv, 210p.

9781868429530

\$ 30.00 / null

350 gm.

'Next year I'm going to be 80 years old. My car will be 20 years old. Together we'll be 100. We're going to drive to London.'

'And what route are you going to take?'

'I have no idea. I think I'll keep to the right.'

When 80-year old Julia Albu calls in to her favourite radio show with a zany, half-baked idea, she has no idea that it will lead her to the adventure of a lifetime.

From helping push a 30-year-old Toyota bakkie up a precipitous mountain pass in Malawi to being 'adopted' by the riotous ex-pat South African community in Dar es Salaam and being fed mildly hallucinogenic 'herbs' by her Ethiopian driver-guide, nothing deterred 80-year-old Julia Albu from her quest to drive through Africa from the Cape to Cairo.

She and her 20-year-old Toyota Conquest, Tracy - a personality in her own right - travelled through 10 African countries, from South Africa to Egypt (and beyond). Julia was accompanied by a series of companions who added texture to her travels: three of her four grown-up children, her son-in-law, and at least one person who began as a complete stranger and ended up as a friend for life.

Reminiscing about her long and interesting life along the way, and maintaining a bright and upbeat outlook regardless of the circumstances, Julia proves that you're never too old to tackle that bucket list.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685231>

Vagabond: Wandering Through Africa on Faith / Lerato Mogoatlhe (Ed)

Black Bird Books (Jacana Media (Pty) Ltd), South Africa 2019

viii, 288p.

9781928337690

\$ 30.00 / null

500 gm.

One woman. One continent. Vagabond is Lerato Mogoatlhe's story of her travels through twenty-one countries in Africa. Vagabond is a poetic, raw and honest diary of Lerato's travels through Africa. From meeting President Mbeki at an event in Timbuktu to hanging out with one of her favourite artists, Habib Koite, Vagabond is a love letter of Lerato's discovery of herself, her home, Africa, and its people that readers will witness through her uncensored curiosity and with none of the glamour of a guidebook. Out of the twenty-one countries visited over the five years she travelled through the continent, Lerato names Sudan, Mali, Egypt, Uganda and Kenya as her top five to visit.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685230>

The Love Song of Andre P Brink: A Biography / Leon De Kock

Jonathan Ball Publishers, South Africa 2019

xx, 414p.

Includes Index

9781868427925

\$ 42.00 / HB

750 gm.

The Love Song of André P Brink is the first biography of this major South African novelist who, during his lifetime, was published in over 30 languages and ranked with the likes of Gabriel García Márquez, Peter Carey and Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn. Leon de Kock's eagerly awaited account of Brink's life is richly informed by a previously unavailable literary treasure: the dissident Afrikaner's hoard of journal-writing, a veritable chronicle that was 54 years in the making.

In this massive new biographical source – running to a million words – Brink does not spare himself, or anyone else for that matter, as he narrates the ups and downs of his five marriages and his compulsive affairs with a great number of women. These are precisely the topics that the rebel in both politics and sex skated over in his memoir, *A Fork in the Road*.

De Kock's biographical study of the author who came close to winning the Nobel Prize for Literature not only synthesises the journals but also subjects them to searching critical analysis.

In addition, the biographer measures the journals against additional sources, both scholarly and otherwise, among them the testimony of Brink's friends, family, wives and lovers.

The Love Song of André P Brink subjects Brink's literary legacy to a bracing scholarly re-evaluation, making this major new biography a crucial addition to scholarship on Brink.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685229>

Zambezi Lad to City Freeman: An Autobiography of Gavin Barnett / Gavin Barnett (Ed)

Reach Publishers (for Gavin Barnett), South Africa 2018

438p.

9780620795371

\$ 42.00 / null

800 gm.

When Gavin Barnett was four years of age, his missionary father lost his life in the crocodile infested Zambezi River at Chavuma in the N.W. Province of Northern Rhodesia (now Zambia). This, Gavin's third published book, is an autobiography written with forthright frankness, fetching irreverence, revealing candour and is tempered by his wry humour. His objective sense of cognitive dissonance turns its searchlight on political antics, dogma, spurious corporate governance and the Colonial era as it limped its way into vaunted independence. While recording some singular successes, he records his own failures with unusual transparency. Provocative, gripping and descriptive accounts of the hazards and adventures of tropical, wild Africa, the dynamic role of the great Zambezi River and travel in primitive style, enrich these pages. Even the usual genealogical data is tinged with adventure from the Australian 19th century goldrush. His wide-ranging business life spans corporate careers in manufacturing, retailing and entrepreneurship. Avid involvement as a Chartered Governance Professional led to his election as international President of The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators and admission as a Freeman of the City of London.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685228>

Departure Points : My Life and Ministry Among the Indigenous Peoples of Borneo and Singapore's Sojourn / Tony Siew

Opus Publications Sdn. Bhd., Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysia 2020

xiv, 192p.

Includes Bibliography

9789833987634

\$ 25.00 / null

350 gm.

This book is a narration of my life and ministry among the indigenous peoples of Borneo in Sabah from 1994-2019. The events told are based on my personal recollections and I have not referred to any notes, books or minutes of meetings except in a few places which I acknowledged in the footnotes. To the best of my knowledge the modern history of SIB Sabah has yet to be written (1990 onwards). My book is not a historical narrative nor historiography but a recollection of events from 1989 onwards. I leave it to the historians and research students to write SIB's modern history or evaluate what I have written here. Writing memoirs is a meditative and selective process. We choose what we want to remember and this is my interpretation of events, most of which I had participated in or possessed first-hand knowledge. I have started writing without an outline and without knowing what I was going to write, so what I wrote over two months (Oct 2014) with little revision afterwards, consists of what I remember to be important and significant in this first half of my life and ministry. According to the book of Numbers, the priests begin their duties when they are 30 years old and retire from service when they turn 50. I was 30 years, four months and 5 days old when I started and I have reached 50 in 2014. These memoirs are my reflections of 25 years in active service of the ministry and service of the burden in the house of the congregation of the Lord (Numbers 4:47). I trust that the map shown in the book will give you a sense of the location where I had travelled into 100 villages and towns, almost all of which I had preached and ministered in. My prayer is that for all those who have heard me preached in Sabah, West Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, Thailand, New Zealand and Hong Kong and believers around the world will find something helpful and spiritually edifying in this book. May the name of Jesus Christ our Lord be glorified now and forever.

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A Chemical Engineer in the Palm Oil Milling Industry : A Short Memoir / Hong Wai Onn

Hong Wai Onn, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 2020

iv, 242p.

Includes Index

9789671818800

\$ 20.00 / null

360 gm.

Palm oil is a big business. Palm oil has been widely used in food and non-food industries. More than half the products on sale in supermarkets are made with palm oil—yet many people hardly know anything about this industry. They don't even know chemical engineers have a significant role to play in this industry. This book provides a series of episodes for you to discover the opportunities chemical engineers have in the palm oil milling industry. This book is an illuminating memoir that brings readers closer to the most enigmatic profession of all time. It is a promise that Hong Wai Onn has fulfilled again and again. More people have gained a better understanding of the role of chemical engineers in the palm oil milling industry by listening to his sharing. You do not have to be a chemical engineer or work in this industry to enjoy his memoir. The insights are just as valuable for any discipline of engineering, and for any business, for the sake of inspiration

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=743656>

Hello! Have you eaten? : Memoirs of a Food-Obsessed Nation / Amanda Choy
(Eds) Justin Zheng & Ruth Tang

BooksActually (Math Paper Press), Singapore 2017

64p. ; 165x230mm.

9789811157523

\$ 16.50 / null

340 gm.

"This journey of mine welcomes you to slow down and stop for a moment to digest the purpose of food and eating.

To me, food is a catalyst for human connection. Memories of my late grandpa buying delectable food for my mother to her observations of my late grandma cooking in the kitchen are memories that are forever etched in my heart. These stories are connected to me and will be passed on as legacies in their own right. This journey is less about the food per se but rather the togetherness, bonding and love that follows after. What's the joy of the sumptuous feast in front of my eyes when I've no one to share it with? Eating in Asia means long round-table conversations, endless laughter and casual debates on best food joints. These never cease.

For one starts chatting from brunch to afternoon tea and before you'd know it, it's dessert after a hearty dinner. Live to eat, we say?"

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718673>

Parcel of Death: The Biography of Onkgopotse Abram Tiro / Gaongalelwe Tiro (Eds)

Picador Africa (Pan Mcmillian South Africa), South Africa 2019

xii, 244p.

Includes Index ; Selected Bibliography

9781770106499

\$ 35.00 / null

400 gm.

Parcel of Death recounts the little-told life story of Onkgopotse Abram Tiro, the first South African freedom fighter the apartheid regime pursued beyond the country's borders to assassinate with a parcel bomb.

On 29 April 1972, Tiro made one of the most consequential revolutionary addresses in South African history. Dubbed the Turfloop Testimony, Tiro's anti-apartheid speech saw him and many of his fellow student activists expelled, igniting a series of strikes in tertiary institutions across the country. By the time he went into exile in Botswana, Tiro was president of the Southern African Student Movement (SASM), permanent organiser of the South African Student Organisation (SASO) and a leading Black Consciousness proponent, hailed by many as the 'godfather' of the June 1976 uprisings.

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A Headmaster's Story: My Life in Education / Bill Schroder

Jonathan Ball Publishers, South Africa 2019

xvi, 224p.

9781868429325

\$ 30.00 / null

350 gm.

Bill Schroder is the stuff of which teaching legends are made. Strict, yet kind and tolerant, he blended a magic mix of care and discipline to bring out the best in his pupils.

In *A Headmaster's Story*, Bill shares the story of his life, offering many insights into the challenges and rewards of teaching. He describes how he was a natural leader, and that helping young people realise their potential was his life's calling. Bill also charts how his teaching philosophy developed as he taught at and led a variety of schools, including SACS, Western Province Prep, Rondebosch Boys', Westerford, Rhodes High, Pinelands High in Cape Town and York High in George. When he was appointed head of Pretoria Boys High in 1990, Bill took on the challenge of leading one of the country's top state schools and soon earned the undying admiration of pupils, parents, staff and Old Boys alike. At the end of a long and distinguished career, he did not rest on his laurels but went back into the fray, helping to mentor a struggling township high school. Here is a teacher who has left an indelible mark on thousands of pupils, from Cape Town to Pretoria.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685244>

Not Child's Play / Dave Muller (Ed)

MFBooks Joburg (Jacana Media (Pty) Ltd, South Africa 2019

x, 262p.

9781928420651

\$ 28.00 / null

400 gm.

In 1990, Dave Muller sails to Mozambique with his wife, Sandy, and two young children, to fulfil a boyhood dream of voyaging to the tropics on the yacht he's spent 10 years building.

The fantasy holiday comes to a shocking end when the yacht runs aground on a stretch of beach near the Bazaruto Islands. While waiting for high tide to refloat their vessel, a patrol of five child soldiers armed with AK-47s arrive, along with their two adult captives. The young boys ransack the yacht, taking the terrified Muller family hostage.

Not Child's Play brilliantly traverses the Mullers' nightmare of seven weeks in captivity. Plagued by intense mental and emotional strain, with the fear of violence and death a constant, as the days drag slowly by, uncannily the hostages and captors begin to bond.

Their eventual rescue 49 days later, in a covert operation by the SA Navy and Navy Seals, was dramatic, the stuff that Hollywood action movies are made of.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685243>

Fatima Meer: A Free Mind: Voices of Liberation / Shireen Hassim

HSRC Press, South Africa 2019

x, 550p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9780796924414

\$ 32.00 / null

750 gm.

Fatima Meer, a South African academic, public intellectual, and activist, was a tireless fighter for social justice and human rights—for which she variously suffered banning and detention by the apartheid government. After the end of apartheid, she declined a parliamentary seat, choosing instead to continue her advocacy work. She did, however, subsequently serve the ANC government in several capacities. She died in 2010, at the age of 81. In *Fatima Meer*, Shireen Hassim deftly weaves a narrative in which Meer's distinctive individuality unfolds. This serves as an apt context for the second part of the book, which presents Meer's ideas in her own voice and makes palpable her belief in a common humanity.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685242>

Sobukwe: The Making of a Pan Africanist Leader, Volume 1 / Thami Ka Plaattjie (Ed)

KMM Review Publishing Company (Pty) Ltd, South Africa 2019

xxii, 290p.
9780639902425
\$ 35.00 / null
600 gm.

This volume is the first part of his mission. It is not a biography even though it offers fascinating and significant insights – many hitherto unknown – of Sobukwe's life. Rather, it is a testament to a man of towering intellect, deeply held principles, unwavering courage and unforgettable personal charm, and the authority he continues to have, even years after his passing.

The book provides fascinating insight into what influenced the political growth of Sobukwe. Historians, politicians, students and the general public will want to join Thami Ka Plaatjie, in his search for Robert Mangaliso Sobukwe.

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Forgiveness Redefined: A Young Woman's Journey Towards Forgiving the
Apartheid Assassin Who Brutally Murdered Her Father / Candice Mama

Tracey McDonald Publishers, South Africa 2019

X, 206p.
9780639992808
\$ 32.00 / null
350 gm.

Forgiveness Redefined is Candice Mama's honest and healing story. It tells how she found ways to deal with the death of her father, Glenack Masilo Mama, and to forgive the notorious apartheid assassin Eugene de Kock, the man responsible for his brutal murder. We follow Candice's journey of discovering how her father died, how this affected her and how she battled the demons of depression before the age of sixteen. But most importantly, we follow her journey towards beating the odds and rising above her heartbreaks.

Candice Mama is today still under the age of 30, but has been named as one of Vogue Paris' most inspiring women alongside glittering names such as Michelle Obama. She has taken backstage selfies with music crooner Seal and travels all over the world to talk about her journey. This bubbly, inspiring young author tells how she shed some of the worst layers of grief and became an inspiration for others. We learn about her perplexing, unconventional childhood, her search for identity, and the beautiful bond she formed, posthumously, with a father she never had the opportunity to get to know in person. She also tells, in her own words, about the life-changing encounter between her family and her father's killer.

Candice tenderly opens up about the result of the trauma of her father's death on her entire family, and meeting her mother for the first time at the age of four. She tells about the confusing, yet fascinating, dynamics that later unfolded as she discovered pieces of herself, rediscovered relationships with her own family and came to forgiveness and understanding.

This book serves as inspiration for other young – and older – people to look at their own stories through different lenses. Candice's experiences are not unique, and she offers healing thoughts to others who suffered similar trauma by sharing the details of her own story. Forgiveness Redefined is a touching, personal story by a young woman who learned too early about pain, loss and rejection – but who also learned how to overcome those burdens and live joyfully.

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Conquering The Poverty of the Mind – MaZwane's Story: From Shipping Container
to Busy Corner – The Entrepreneurial Journey of the Shisanyama Pioneer / Rita
Zwane & Isabella Morris (Ed)

Tracey McDonald Publishers, South Africa 2019

xiv, 194p.
9780639992914
\$ 32.00 / null
350 gm.

MaZwane has become a legend in South Africa as a pioneering entrepreneur – and an inspiration for those who ask questions about opportunities in the informal township economy. Her answer to those who doubt whether they can make it, is that you do it through perseverance, sacrifice, seizing opportunities, and offering superior products and service.

In 1989 Phumlaphi ('Rita') Zwane left KwaZulu-Natal to find work in Johannesburg after becoming a teenage mother. She could count on the love of her family, a matric certificate and her faith, but had no job prospects, and no knowledge of the business world or life in the big cities. Her memoir takes the reader from the tough times of finding her feet in Johannesburg, through a variety of jobs and life experiences, to finally fighting her way to success as a respected member of the township economy and starting the successful Imbizo Shisanyama business. MaZwane tells how she progressed from having virtually no income or permanent home to becoming the first person to formalise and commercialise shisanyama in the townships – and provide a comfortable home and legacy for her children.

Along the way, she befriended many people who contributed accommodation, job opportunities, advice, and companionship. With them cheering her on, she learned how to navigate the different and difficult aspects of the hospitality industry – and slowly reach her desired place of independent security. Conquering the Poverty of the Mind shows the true grit of a Zulu girl who believed in herself – and did it against all odds.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685236>

Mlamulankunzi : The Life and Times of Dick King / Jacqueline Kalley

Otterley Press, South Africa 2019

x, 160p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9780639837529

\$ 42.00 / null

400 gm.

Infant Natal was a tough and perilous place. Dense bush surrounded the Bay and wild animals roamed the countryside: elephant and lion were common; crocodiles and hippo were a constant danger. The terrain called for strong characters who could fend for themselves and survive the many pitfalls. Dick King was one such person. His adventures and escapades were legion and legendary. It was he, who set off from the Fort in Durban, to seek assistance from the British Garrison in far-off Grahamstown for the British soldiers besieged by the Boers. For the first part of his 600-mile ride, he was accompanied by his stalwart companion, Ndongeni ka Xoki, whose role in this exploit has often been underestimated. Dick King's modest nature precluded him from talking about his life and it was left to others to chronicle his story. The author has attempted to piece together the strands from various secondary sources, newspaper cuttings, family history and archival research, and to place them in the context of the Natal of Dick King's time. One of her primary aims has been to let those involved speak for themselves. Dick King's extraordinary achievements are complemented by the life and pioneering spirit of his eldest son, Richard Philip Henry, who lived a fascinating life, mainly in the Transvaal. Men of this calibre form part of both South Africa's history and mythology.

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Robert McBride: The Struggle Continues / Bryan Rostron (Ed)

Tafelberg (NB Publishers), South Africa 2019

360p.

9780624089148

\$ 32.00 / null

500 gm.

When Robert McBride was sentenced to death, he turned to the public gallery in court and said: 'Freedom is just around the corner. I am leaving you at the corner – and you must take that corner to find freedom on the other side.' As the guard moved in, he raised his fist and shouted: 'The struggle continues till Babylon falls!'

It was 1987: the time of 'total onslaught'. The trial of the MK unit that planted the Magoo's bomb on the Durban beachfront dominated the news but few knew the real facts of the brave young people who brought the armed struggle to KwaZulu-Natal.

This is the remarkable story of McBride and his comrades: the substation sabotage spree, rescuing a compatriot from hospital and smuggling him to Botswana, the devastating Why Not and Magoo's car bomb that killed three women, the dramatic trial and McBride's 1 463 days on Death Row.

Now updated to include McBride's controversial life after the end of apartheid, this is a thrilling tale of a young South African's incredible courage, loyalty between friends and falling in love across the race barrier. Today, the struggle continues as McBride fights against corruption and state capture.

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Voices from The Underground: Eighteen Life Stories from Umkhonto we Sizwe's Ashley Kriel Detachment / Shirley Gunn & Shanil Haricharan (ed)

Penguin Books, South Africa 2019

xx, 404p.

9781776093854

\$ 39.90 / null

450 gm.

In 1987, the apartheid minister of law and order boasted that the security forces had crushed Umkhonto we Sizwe in the Western Cape. He could not have been more wrong. The Ashley Kriel Detachment, named after one of their slain comrades, conducted over thirty operations between late 1987 and early 1990, playing a crucial role in the defeat of an unjust system.

In Voices from the Underground, eighteen members of the AKD give accounts of their involvement in the armed struggle. The book traces their varying journeys into MK, via student activism, trade unions, religious organizations and UDF politics. It details their training in Angola, Botswana, Tanzania, Cuba and South Africa, and their experiences of detention and interrogation. Members recall the stresses of couriering arms and explosives across police roadblocks, hiding in safe houses and evading capture. They talk about the operations they executed, the measures they took to avoid civilian casualties, and their responses to security breaches and the deaths of comrades in the line of duty.

Above all, this is a book about people, showing the effects of apartheid on their lives, their reasons for joining the armed struggle, the challenges of surviving in the underground while raising children, and their experiences of returning to civilian life or, in some cases, integrating into the SANDF.

Voices from the Underground gives a human face to ordinary people who took up arms to fight a violent state for the freedom of all South Africans.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685239>

I Am Ndileka: More Than My Surname / Ndileka Mandela (Ed)

Jacana Media (Pty) Ltd, South Africa 2019

xvi, 248p.

9781431429066

\$ 32.00 / null

400 gm.

Celebrated and honoured across the globe for its bearer's selfless role in the liberation of South Africa, the name Mandela has become an iconic brand. Nelson Mandela's life was dedicated to politics and achieving freedom for the oppressed in the country, which left him little time with his children and loved ones. It was not easy growing up a Mandela. I Am Ndileka tells the story of a woman who has made great strides in society, but still faces many challenges. Even though South Africa has been emancipated from the apartheid regime and so-called gender inequality structures have been removed, women still face oppression and abuse. In October 2017, as part of the #MeToo campaign to denounce sexual violence, Ndileka disclosed for the first time that she had been raped by her then-partner in her own bed five years before. Follow Ndileka on her journey as she deals with death in her family, patriarchy, motherhood, depression, being homeless, and surviving rape and abuse. Along the journey of tackling challenges and expectations that come with her last name—things that she did not ask for but are asked of her nonetheless—Ndileka finds her voice.

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For the Love of the Land: Being a Farmer in South Africa Today / Ivor Price & Kobus Louwrens (Ed)

Tafelberg (NB Publishers), South Africa 2019

224p.

9780624088998

\$ 22.00 / null

250 gm.

Away from the heated political debates, in the shadow of uncertainty and shifting policies, farmers are putting seeds into earth in what seem like forgotten parts of the country.

Who are they?

For the Love of the Land introduces South Africans to the heroes of agriculture. A diverse crop of farmers from across the country share complex, layered stories about heritage and land, at times surviving traumas like land dispossession and forced labour and the more current spectre of violent farm crimes. From the small farms to the agri-businesses who feed South Africa against the odds, this book relays the power of land to heal, by telling stories that are often overlooked.

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Panache: The Spirit of Life / Cheryl Lassen

Dr Cheryl Lassen, South Africa 2019

282p.

9780620792561

\$ 30.00 / null

350 gm.

Matilda's journey begins with the knowledge of possibilities, the taming of her mind and the control of her body. The story takes you on her journey through the unknown; of her life growing up in a humble Coloured township during apartheid and her venture through the joy, pain and laughter that was the abyss of her love life. She makes one think about the parts of us that others don't and will never see, and parts of us that others will never know. The parts of ourselves, our minds and our cares that teach, admonish, criticise, are conflicting yet simultaneously belong and exist in the same person. Her view shows the lighter side of apartheid - because that was the way that she saw and experienced it: watching white kids enjoy themselves, her attempts to act as a "Play-white", her reclassification, her defiance of the Immorality Act, her mixed marriage, heartbreak, ridicule and pre-judgement, painting these as a set of comical challenges. She exposes the thoughts and the depth of her existence and essence that are invisible and intangible, yet present through experiences of love, lust, trust, delight, pain and death; having no beginning and no conclusion. The deeply complex character has fun talking to her mind and to The World at large, telling tales of the past, the present and the future, guided by a prayer: 'Grazie e Dio, Lo sai che ci sono qui. Thank You, God. I know that You know that I am here.'

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685247>

In India and East Africa: E-Indiya Nase East Africa: A Travelogue in isiXhosa and English / D.D.T. Jabavu, Tina Steiner (et al.)

WITS University Press, South Africa 2020

xiv, 306p.

Includes Index

9781776144761

\$ 40.00 / null

550 gm.

In November 1949 D.D.T. Jabavu, the South African politician and professor of African languages at Fort Hare University, set out on a four-month trip to attend the World Pacifist Meeting in India. He wrote an isiXhosa account of his journey which was published in 1951 by Lovedale Press. This new edition republishes the travelogue in the original isiXhosa, with an English translation by the late anthropologist Cecil Wele Manona.

The travelogue contains reflections on Jabavu's social interactions during his travels, and on the conference itself, where he considered what lessons Gandhian principles might yield for South Africans engaged in struggles for freedom and dignity. His commentary on nonviolent resistance, and on the dangers of nationalism and racism, enriches the existing archive of intellectual exchanges between Africa and India from a black South African perspective.

The volume includes chapters by the editors that examine the networks of international solidarity – from post-independence India to the anti-colonial struggle in East Africa and the American civil rights movement – which Jabavu helped to strengthen, biographical sketches of Jabavu and of Manona, and an afterword that reflects on the historical and political significance of making African-language texts available to readers across Africa.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685246>

Theatre Road: My Story as Told By Sindiwe Magona / Sindiwe Magona & Thembi Mtshali-Jones

Karavan Press, South Africa 2019

216p.

9780639994239

\$ 32.00 / null

350 gm.

Growing up in the village of Sabhoza near Ulundi and the city of Durban of the 1950s and 1960s, THEMBI MTSHALI-JONES listened to her beloved gogo's stories and marvelled at the voices emerging from her father's gramophone, but she could never imagine that, one day, her own voice would be enthralling audiences across the globe. Or that she would become so famous that Nelson Mandela would thank her personally for entertaining him in prison where he watched her perform on TV as Thoko in the sitcom 'Sgudi 'Snaysi.

As a teenager living under apartheid, Thembi dreamt about getting a decent education and becoming a nurse. Life had other plans. She fell in love with the first man who paid her any attention and became pregnant soon after. Forced to leave Nursing College and her baby behind, so that she could earn a living taking care of other people's families, she seemed destined to follow in the footsteps of many other women trying to survive their shattered hopes in the townships.

But the daughter of a white family employing Thembi in Durban heard her sing, first recognising the precious gift that fans cherish her for today. She encouraged Thembi to audition for a show. It was her first role, starting her on the path that would take her to stages around the world, where her life would inspire a sell-out musical and she would perform alongside and become lifelong friends with such greats as Miriam Makeba, Hugh Masekela and Gcina Mhlophe.

Set against the background of South Africa's tumultuous struggle for democracy, Theatre Road tells the remarkable story of Thembi's illustrious career and the people and places who shaped her along the way, her tight-knit family and Durban most prominent among them.

In 2019, Thembi received the Living Legend Award from the National Black Theater Festival in Winston Salem, NC. The publication of Theatre Road coincides with the celebrations of her 70th birthday.

Listen, as she tells her story to her friend and collaborator, SINDIWE MAGONA ...

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=685245>

From Jail To Jail Volume II & III / Tan Malaka; Helen Jarvis (trans.)
SIRD-Strategic Info Research Development Centre, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia 2020
viii, 276p.
Includes Index ; Bibliography
9789672165750
\$ 32.50 / null
700 gm.

From Jail to Jail is the political autobiography of Sutan Ibrahim gelar Tan Malaka, an enigmatic and colorful political thinker of twentieth-century Asia, who was one of the most influential figures of the Indonesian Revolution. Variouslly labeled a communist, Trotskyite, and nationalist, Tan Malaka managed to run afoul of nearly every political group and faction involved in the Indonesian struggle for independence. During his decades of political activity, he spent periods of exile and hiding in nearly every country in Southeast Asia. As a Marxist who was expelled from and became a bitter enemy of his country's Communist Party and as a nationalist who was imprisoned and murdered by his own government's forces as a danger to its anticolonial struggle, Tan Malaka was and continues to be soaked in contradiction and controversy.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=684782>

From Jail To Jail Volume I / Tan Malaka; Helen Jarvis (trans.)
SIRD-Strategic Info Research Development, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia 2020
cxlvi, 194p.
Includes Index
9789672165743
\$ 22.50 / null
520 gm.

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<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=684774>

Vision to Action: Selected Speeches of K P Sharma Oli (Volume III) / Bal Krishna Kattel (Ed)
Ratna Pustak Bhandar, Nepal 2020
x, 244p.
9789937332361
\$ 20.00 / null
300 gm.

This book is divided into four sections, 'imagination and duty (karma), 'friendship and diplomacy', 'trade and investment' and 'work and labor' compiling speeches and interviews PM KP Sharma Oli had delivered at different times on domestic and foreign policy.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686510>

Welcome Home: Lessons In Saying Goodbye / Julia Yeow
Gerakbudaya Enterprise, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia 2020
xvi, 112p.
9789670311487
\$ 11.50 / null
145 gm.

"Leaving, according to the familiar political narrative, was a sign that someone was giving up on their country or wasn't proud of his or her identity. Those who decided to emigrate were pigeonholed as dissidents. This stereotype was not only inaccurate, but made us one-dimensional in our apparent single-mindedness to leave behind a country we supposedly felt was no longer good enough."

Migration is a sensitive topic, especially for over one million Malaysians who choose to venture abroad. The act of leaving their own lives behind is fraught with challenges, ranging from loneliness to the elusive search for a better quality of life. But at the heart of their actions is the fact that their lives and identities are never going to be the same. In veteran journalist Julia Yeow's book, her departure for Australia becomes a series of lessons about the personal and political aspects of leaving. Deeply personal and fiercely observant, *Welcome Home* is a book for an age of intolerance and new boundaries.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=684783>

No One Born Poor : Prisoner. Politician. Pioneer. / Veng Sereyvuth

Write Editions, Singapore 2020

200p. ; 210x140mm.

9789811448065

\$ 28.00 / null

330 gm.

In one of the most extraordinary stories ever told, *No One Born Poor* poignantly captures the inconceivable life of Veng Sereyvuth. From a village boy in Prey Veng in Cambodia, a cyclo driver, a prisoner and a refugee, to becoming a politician, a Cabinet Minister in the Cambodian Government and a pioneer in education today – all in the span of 30 years – this striking autobiography of Veng Sereyvuth is an epitome of the indefatigable human spirit. Set against the backdrop of Cambodia's tumultuous 1970s, when over two million of its people were killed, and the country's ensuing political and socio-economic developments, this book encapsulates a man's dauntless and determined belief in a better tomorrow – even in the face of death – amid the most horrific and haunting evils ever witnessed in the 20th century. It is profoundly painful, visceral, yet utterly triumphant. By baring his deepest emotions and boundless aspirations, Veng desires every reader to grasp the enduring truth that within each of us lies our greatest riches – the courage and conviction to imagine and create our future, regardless of what we may confront. The Cambodians call this axiom the Angkor Spirit. In Veng's words, "The worlds within you, and the world beyond you, are exceedingly more glorious than you can ever imagine. Let no one tell you that you're born poor."

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=688275>

A Chinese Seeker's Journey to Islam: An Autobiography of Arif Peter Pang / Wong Sher Maine , Jeffrey Low and Jamal Soe Thien

Pang Giap Oon @ Arif Peter Pang, Singapore 2020

236p.

Includes Bibliography

9789811463211

\$ 25.00 / null

450 gm.

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2. Muslim converts - Singapore.
3. Chinese - Singapore.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716948>

Yoshida Shigeru and his time / Okazaki Hisahiko

Japan Publishing Industry Foundation for Culture, Tokyo, Japan 2019

303p ; 23cm

9784866580708

\$ 70.00 / HB

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702363>

= Discovering Nagata Yūji, unsung makie master : : /
Miho Museum, , Japan 2019
163p ; 25×25cm
9784903642291
\$ 52.00 / HB

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702366>

The beckoning scorpion : on growing up American and the Vietnam War /
Graham Jimu
DTP Publishing, , Japan 2019
506p ; 21cm
9784862117090
\$ 90.00 / HB

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702367>

The life and times of a Japanese baby boomer / Akiyo Tsunoda
GoodtimePublishing,Tokyo, Japan 2020
161p ; 21cm
9784908993145
\$ 24.00 / HB

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702364>

Asianari in Egypt : the life is full of learning pieces /
, , Japan 2019
131p ; 19cm
9784907446895
\$ 24.00 / HB

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702365>

A Life Lived : An Unfinished Memoir / W. A. Wiswa Warnapala
S. Godage and Brothers (Pvt) Ltd,Colombo, Sri Lanka 2019
x, 358p.; 22.5X15X2.5cm.
9789553096067
\$ 30.00 / HB
780 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681598>

George Cawkwell of Univ / Rajiva Wjesinha(Ed)
S. Godage and Brothers (Pvt) Ltd,Colombo, Sri lanka 2019
248p.
9786240002936
\$ 25.00 / HB
575 gm.
Biography of George Cawkwell of University College, Oxford.
<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681597>

Stay, Daughter : A Memoir of Muslim Girlhood / Yasmin Azad
Perera-Hussein Publishing House, Colombo, Sri Lanka 2020
256p.

9789558897324

\$ 20.00 / null

250 gm.

Set in the colonial fortress of the Galle Fort, the story surrounds itself on a community that breaks the principles of the 19th century in order to provide girls education and freedom. The exposure nonetheless disrupts peace within the families causing perplexities throughout the community. However the framework of the story directs itself on a father who is brought up in a conservative Muslim culture and thereby possesses a conservative mentality. Nevertheless, the story intensifies when he has to accept and mediate with the modern world where women are capable of much more than what they used to be. The story voices out the struggle that almost all Muslim families have to face as they cope with the modern world and their orthodox norms.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681599>

90 Years in Singapore / Irene Lim, Loh Kah Seng & Linda Lim

Pagesetters Servces Pte Ltd, Singapore 2020

xii, 236p.

Includes Index

9789811454165

\$ 25.00 / null

400 gm.

"Singapore's history has been told many times but it has usually been framed by men and the stories are mostly of and about men.

This book of memories by Irene Lim covering nine decades of her life, spent in Singapore except for three wartime years in Malaya, gives us the perspective of that period as seen through her day-to-day life and that of her extended family. It offers a tantalising view of what women felt and experienced about the world around them at that time.

We begin to appreciate how history is not only made by dramatic national events but by the stuff of daily existence. This book brings richly to life the social and cultural half of history that for too long has been forgotten, untold or ignored, giving us a more holistic picture of our human, and Singapore, story.

The life course of this resilient and creative woman also shows us the promise of longevity can be fulfilled by leading an independent life of purpose and productive activity. I really enjoyed reading the book. I could hardly put it down until I reached the end." — Dr. Kanwaljit Soin, orthopaedic and hand surgeon, and advocate for improving the lives of women and the elderly.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703794>

The Lonely Seeker in the Fog / Jee Man-Won

System Publishing Co., Seoul, South Korea 2018

379p.

9788994635057

\$ 40.00 / null

600 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=694804>

Beyond Loss and Grief : The Story of Kikaose Ebiye-Onyibe, a Survivor's Manual for Coping with the Loss of a Child / Magnus Onyibe

Prima (Narrative Landscape Press, Lagos, Nigeria 2020

xvi, 164p.

9789785699081

\$ 25.00 / null

250 gm.

Magnus Onyibe and his family experienced the unthinkable in April of 2017 when they lost their daughter, Kikaose Ebiye-Onyibe, to an avoidable healthcare management tragedy. In the poignant, heart-breaking, yet hopeful and life-affirming, pages of *Beyond Loss and Grief*, which include two afterwords, one by a psychologist and another by an international education & admissions consultant, Mr Onyibe shares his family's journey of grief, pain, acceptance, and eventual celebration of life. This is in the hope that this book can shed light on the path of other families who will experience loss so that they do not grope.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718072>

Memoirs of a 'Lazy Korfa' / Tunmise Usikalu

Sophos Books Ltd, London, UK 2020

100p.

9781905669301

\$ 10.00 / null

200 gm.

Though this is only the first day of camp, so at 2.30pm or there about, I am already number 1246. As if that's not bad enough, we get marched over to the registration hall to get registered and have it over with and wait for it.....they are registering corper no TWO HUNDRED AND SOMETHING! (I didn't care to know what the something was. it was not important). So, here I am sitting on my travelling bag under a tree for shade and wondering what in heaven's name. I am doing here.....

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718071>

More Than A Miracle / Chinwe Ezeanya

Origami (Parresia Publishers Ltd.), Lagos, Nigeria 2018

xxiv, 254p.

9789785574395

\$ 30.00 / null

380 gm.

More Than A Mirace is Chinwe Ezeanya's account of her son Dike's life from conception to his life when he returned home after having a liver transplant. This is a story of trials of triumphs, faith, hope, and love. Chinwe Ezeaya tells how she held on to faith as she encountered numerous revelations, confirmations, and miracles as she struggled to save her only son.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718070>

The Grandmaster of the Law – Dr. Olu Onagoruwa SAN, OFR, PH.D. :
Documentary Biography of Nigeria's Former Attorney-General of the Federation
and Minister of Justice : The Story of an Incorruptible and Courageous Attorney /
Felix Oboagwina

Inspired Communication Ltd., Lagos, Nigeria 2016

412p.

9789789553709

\$ 60.00 / null

600 gm.

This Documentary Biography captures the story of an incorruptible and courageous Attorney, Viewed through the prism of several eyewitnesses, this book on Nigeria's Former Attorney-General of the Federation and Minister of Justice, Dr. Olu Onagoruwa SAN, OFR, PH.D., captures the unique juices running through the veins of this unique Protagonist, who rose from being a pre-teen orphan in his Odogbolu town in Western Nigeria to dominate the national and international pinnacles of the legal profession.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718063>

A Profile in Courage : Let The Truth Be Told / Major General Paul C. Tarfa

Origami (Parresia Publishers Ltd.), Lagos, Nigeria 2017

xx, 412p.
Includes Index
9789785529494
\$ 65.00 / null
680 gm.

A Profile of Courage is the memoir of Paul Chabri Tarfa, retired Major General of the Nigerian Army. In lucid prose, he recounts his upbringing in Garkida, his choice of a career in the Army, his role in frustrating the January 15th 1966 coup at the Federal Guards, Lagos, and his active participation in the military through the Civil War, coups and counter-coups until his retirement in 1988. Revised in view of restating his truth to today's Nigeria, A Profile in Courage channels the lives of Birma Bata, Usman Vidau, Paul Tarfa himself, Yakubu Gowon, T. Y. Danjuma, Ahmadu Kurfi and many others faced with decisions requiring courage in times of extreme emergency.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718062>

Burden of Service : Reminiscences of Nigeria's Former Attorney-General /
Mohammed Bello Adoke

Clink Street Publishing, London, UK 2019

x, 278p.
9781913136192
\$ 35.00 / null
380 gm.

In 2011, the Nigerian government brokered a \$1.3 billion deal between Royal Dutch Shell, Eni S.p.A. of Italy and Malabu Oil & Gas Ltd of Nigeria for one of Africa's richest oil fields ("OPL 245"). The transaction — finalised after thirteen years of mutual suspicion, bitter litigation, emotional blackmail and dirty intrigues — has caught global attention and attracted criminal proceedings. The middlemen are now in jail and officials of the international oil companies are facing trial in an Italian court over alleged corruption.

Mohammed Bello Adoke was the Nigerian Attorney-General who gave the legal advice on the complicated transaction. He saved his country from an impending \$2 billion award in favour of Shell by the International Centre for the Settlement of International Disputes (ICSID), an organ of the World Bank. But he has been hounded, victimised, scandalised and forced into exile for his service to his fatherland.

In recounting his five-year experience in government, Bello Adoke reveals the details of the billion-dollar oil deal and unveils the web of local and international intrigues, deceit, lies and conspiracy around an avoidable scandal.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718069>

Abba Kyari – Portrait of a Loyalist : The Good, The Bad and the Ugly Sides of
Public Service in Nigeria / Magnus Onyibe

Inspire Media Services Limited, Lagos, Nigeria 2020

xvi, 244p.
9789789817474
\$ 40.00 / null
400 gm.

Abba Kyari Portrait of a Loyalist, is a compilation of the good sides of the former CoS as espoused by his admirers whom I refer as The Good; the not so bad accounts by those who felt let down and sidelined in the course of discharge of his duty as the ears and eyes of President Buhari, but tempered their anger with a balance of disappointment and compassion, and whom I have categorised as The Bad; and the very bitter ones amongst us who appear not ready to forgive Abba Kyari even in death and make no bones about their willingness to dance on his grave if they find the opportunity, perhaps owing to deep feelings of hurt arising from the loss of loved ones due to direct and indirect actions of Abba Kyari who they love to hate.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718068>

Ayinla Omowura : Life and Times of An Apala Legend / Festus Adedayo

Noirledge Publishing, Ibadan, Nigeria 2020

540p.

Includes Index

9789785781618

\$ 50.00 / null

700 gm.

The book plots the graph of Omowura's youth, his musicality, family, the fatality of his early departure and events that led to his death. From the lens of family, friends, his songs and relics of people who interfaced with him while alive, a narrative is constructed here about the short life of music and society that Ayinla lived. He was a lay scholar, an ombudsman, autodidact and carrier of the cultural burden of his Yoruba people. Having tasted life in pre and post-colony, the latter being a time when there was beginning to appear noticeable conflicts between traditional life and modernity, Ayinla taught with his music that the latter could only exist if the values of the former are embedded in the it.

Having lived a rough life at youth and now, thrust to the top of society by fame and cash in his latter life, Ayinla never recovered from the conflict this posed. He didn't really realize the enormous roles expected of his catapult to the top of high society. This, in part, was responsible for the early tragic exit. All the forgoing and many more engage in this book.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718067>

Cutting Ties : A Memoir / Abbey Razak

Origami (Parresia Publishers Ltd.), Lagos, Nigeria 2019

214p.

9789785659580

\$ 30.00 / null

320 gm.

Abbey Razak shares her harrowing tales of years of marital abuse in Cutting Ties. Join Abbey as she details her experience with her toxic marriage with a religious fanatic, a meddling mother in law, dealing with depression but finally rising above it all to begin on the path to a new life with her children and with hope that the future will only get better.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718066>

Never Quite The Insider : A Nigerian Memoir / Keith Richards

Bookcraft, Ibadan, Nigeria 2019

xxiv, 428p.

Includes Index

9789785548389

\$ 45.00 / null

880 gm.

Never Quite the Insider is an account that goes where very few narratives dare. Straddling both the 20th and 21st centuries, this bold book provides rare insights and perspectives on Nigerian society and the business elite. Every page is a vein of treasure, every chapter an epiphany – Keith Richards pulls no punches and tells it as it really is. Chief Richards has been in the trenches and he has been in the boardrooms, his vision is 20/20. This book is a tour de force and should be required reading for anyone seeking to understand the immense opportunities and challenges that is Nigeria today.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718065>

Real Enemies of the Niger Delta / Dr. Emmanuel Audu-Ohwavborua

Origami (Parresia Publishers Ltd.), Lagos, Nigeria 2020

xlviii, 420p.

9789789813131

\$ 70.00 / null

680 gm.

The Real Enemies of the Niger Delta is the first-hand account of a Nigerian born and bred in the oil-rich but depraved Niger Delta region of Nigeria. Traversing his journey from childhood to his experiences as a professional, the author sheds light on his biggest influences, gives a no-hold-barred account of his service in the private sector and shares an honest account of his experience in the public sector where he is currently a Director at the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC).

At the same time a memoir, a collection of priceless historical records, an inspirational piece for youths and a clarion call to the nation, The Real Enemies of the Niger Delta captures a myriad of sensitive and contentious issues bedevilling the Niger Delta. Investigative and reflexively examined, it exposes, among others, the "monumental fraud" the 13 percent Derivation Fund in the oil-producing states of the Niger Delta has become. It blows the cover off the untouchable IOCs and the inglorious role leaders and indigenes of the region have played in the colossal corruption as well as the resultant underdevelopment of the region.

The book calls upon indigenes of the region to re-evaluate and consequently downplay their "entitlement mentality" syndrome in the overall interest of the region and allow meritocracy, transparency and accountability to reign supreme. The author presents undisputable facts of history and proposes far-reaching recommendations which would not only bring long-lasting peace and prosperity to the Niger Delta but also to Nigeria as a whole.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718064>

Lives and Times of HRH / Herman Ronald Hochstadt

NUS Press, Singapore 2020

xviii, 238p. ; 152x229mm.

Includes Index

9789813251199

\$ 32.00 / HB

600 gm.

Herman Hochstadt, or hrh as he is better known, joined the civil service in 1959, moving to the position of secretary to Lee Kuan Yew's Prime Minister's Office. hrh had an unusual ability to inspire those working for him, and his signature wit and charm are on display here, in the ways he weaves together stories of his career and some of the key moments of Singapore's development.

He begins with his family's history in Singapore, including that of his grandfather, John Hochstadt, who founded the Singapore Casket Company. He then continues through his childhood and an education part of which coincided with the Japanese occupation, before moving on to his working life.

Hochstadt has held many positions across the public and private sectors, such as acting director of manpower of the Ministry of Defence when Singapore had to build its armed forces from scratch. He was instrumental in many pivotal moments in modern Singapore's history, including being the logistics coordinator of the delegation to Singapore's 1965 admission to the United Nations. During his later career, he was high commissioner to several Commonwealth African nations.

Full of warmth and humour, the lives and times of hrh traces a life dedicated to public service in Singapore, from its time as a crown colony through its evolution to the Republic of Singapore.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712799>

A Stormy Petrel : The Life and Times of John Pope Hennessy / P. Kevin MacKeown

City University of Hong Kong Press, Hong Kong 2020

Xviii, 478p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789629373771

\$ 50.00 / null

800 gm.

Many words have been used to describe John Pope Hennessy, the former governor of Hong Kong. "Controversial" is perhaps the briefest way to outline his character. Yet we may be guilty of ascribing modern ideas to our understanding of characters of the past. An Irish Catholic raised during the age of empire and rising nationalism, a devout Tory and Disraeli follower, a believer in both the benefits of empire and a patron of local talent in his postings, it is easy to view Pope Hennessy as a man of contradictions. This volume traces Pope Hennessy's history from his early beginnings in famine Ireland to his attempts to rise through the ranks in London. It goes on to cover his early postings to Labuan, West Africa, and, of course, Hong Kong, as well as his final days with his family. His actions and his personality are laid bare for readers to form their own opinions of one of Hong Kong's most enigmatic governors.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=743018>

Memoirs of an Istanbul Psychiatrist / Henri Griladze

Libra Kitapcilik ve Yayıncılık Ticaret A.S., Istanbul, Turkey 2020

134p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9786257900164

\$ 35.00 / null

180 gm.

The autobiography of Dr. Henri Griladze (b. 1938), one of Turkey's pioneering neuro-psychiatrists, is presented in this book. Beginning with the emigration of his father from Georgia to Turkey in the first years of the 20th century, the book chronicles Dr. Griladze's pleasant childhood years in the then-polyglot Istanbul suburb of Bağlarbaşı; witnessing the change of the district and the city over the decades; moves on to his education, training and career of over forty years in psychiatric hospitals in Istanbul and beyond; his pioneering research on sleep and psychometrics; his encounters with ultra-nationalists, nosy journalists and other extraordinary characters; and concludes at Dr. Griladze's modern-day clinic, where he has worked privately since 1974. Richly illustrated with photographs and annotated with footnotes that explain local nuances, this book will be interesting to scholars of Turkish medical and psychiatric history; the history of Istanbul's Bağlarbaşı district; and enthusiasts of the memoir genre in general.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=713207>

Unfinished Stories : From Genocide to Hope / Mick Yates

IPML Services, Phnom Penh, Cambodia 2019

vi, 107p. ; Photo, Col. & Black & White.

Includes Bibliography

9789924936800

\$ 65.00 / HB

850 gm.

The Khmer Rouge Genocide of 1975 - 1979 killed between 1.7 and 2.2 million people yet its devastating impact on Cambodia continues to resonate even today, often hidden from view.

This book is about the personal, untold stories of Keo Sarath and Beng Simeth who suffered appallingly during the Khmer Rouge reign of terror.

It is also a story of hope, of two unassuming individuals who went on to dedicate their lives to education.

We first met Sarath and Simeth in 1999, and their memories of those times have never been published before.

The book combines Mick's photography of the aftermath of Genocide from the now silent Killing Fields with powerful and poignant narratives from Sarath and Simeth.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=701253>

A Turkish Social Democrat : Ismail Cem - Second Revised Edition / Ozan Ormeci

Libra Kitapcilik ve Yayıncılık Ticaret A.S., Istanbul, Turkey 2020

380p.
Includes Index ; Bibliography
9786057884718
\$ 65.00 / null
460 gm.

Associate Professor Ozan Örmeci in this new revised and updated version of his book compiled from his PhD thesis in Bilkent University analyzes the life story social theories political career and foreign policy achievements of Turkey's former Foreign Minister (1997-2002) Ismail Cem (1940-2007). The book provides a detailed analysis of Turkey's political developments throughout the republican history as well as the transformation of Turkish left. A must-read work to understand contemporary Turkish politics and left-wing politics in Turkey
<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=701256>

A Minute A Lifetime / Suleyman Erguclu

Suleyman Erguclu, Cyprus 2019

72p.
9789963275908
\$ 20.00 / null
130 gm.

The story of a life which started in the Yenicami area of Lefkosa (Nicosia) and went through the war in 1974. It is based on a very frightening experience I had as a soldier fighting in 1974; and with flashbacks to my memories of my childhood and my youth. The aim of this book is to inform the Cypriot youth (both in the North and in the South) about the bad experiences my generation had to go through, and to encourage the youth to work to establish lasting peace in our beautiful island.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=701255>

Chadian Sister Engages Kansas City Youth About Peace and Justice = Citoyenne du monde en construction a Kansas City / Nelkem Jeannette Londadjim

Langaa RPCIG, Bamenda, Cameroon 2020

xviii, 108p. ; 203x127mm.

9789956551774

\$ 20.00 / null

200 gm.

A woman meets young people from various backgrounds – at a U.S. university. She is African, from Chad. The students, eager to learn about her life, ask probing questions. She tells them about the war, her flight, her refugee status, her experiences in West Africa and Algeria. In turn, she discovers that they are still exposed to racism in their country – an outrage compounded by the murders of George Floyd and Breonna Taylor. As an activist in residence, she dialogues with the students about their aspirations and encourages them to become artisans of peace and justice. We look forward, in turn, to the thoughts and writings of young people about the encounters shared here and the illustrations by a young Kenyan woman that accompany the essays.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=739807>

Inungi / John Stanford

Mvusi Books, Makhanda, South Africa 2020

126p. ; 210x148mm. ; B/W Illustrations.

9780986979132

\$ 24.00 / null

240 gm.

John Stanford was born in 1929 on Inungi, his father's farm in East Griqualand. After qualifying as a civil engineer and working for a short time in Canada, he returned to Inungi to work alongside his father. In 1965 he took over the running of the farm. Cut off from the rest of the Kokstad district by the Umzimvubu River, Inungi was mountainous and remote. Horses were indispensable as transport, fire and flood were ever-present hazards, living was exhilarating but tough for both farmer and farmworkers. This memoir spans John's life from his childhood years until 1984 when the farm was expropriated for inclusion in Transkei. In his factual and vigorous style, it tells of the risks, disasters, joys and satisfactions of a self-sustaining way of life.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=739806>

Korea's Olympic Icon : Kim Un-yong's Resolute Odyssey / David Miller

Seoul Selection, USA 2019

318p.

9781624121241

\$ 30.00 / null

650 gm.

Detailing the passionate life story of Kim Un-yong as someone who represented South Korea's face in the world of global sports – taking on multiple roles over history as a soldier, diplomat, sports administrator, and politician – this critical biography is rich in message of courage and hope that are worthy of sharing with younger readers.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=694769>

Life Under the Palms : The Sublime World of Anti-Colonialist Jacob Haafner / Paul van der Velde , Liesbeth Bennink

Ridge Books (NUS Press), Singapore 2020

x, 166p.

9789813250826

\$ 24.00 / null

320 gm.

Jacob Gotfried Haafner (1754-1809) was a writer of great talent, and an early dissenting voice from within the colonial enterprise. Haafner was orphaned in the Dutch East Indies, and lived in South Africa, Sri Lanka, India and Mauritius for more than 20 years. On his return to Europe he transformed himself into one of the most popular Dutch writers of the early 19th century, for his travel writing in the Romantic mode. Books like his popular *Travels in a Palanquin* were translated into the major European languages, and his essays on the havoc wrought by missionaries worldwide stirred up great controversy, particularly in his home country of the Netherlands. He was a fierce critic of English machinations in India: "Had I to write the history of the English and their deeds in Asia", Haafner once said, "it would be the spitting image of hell". But there was a scholarly side to him to complement the pamphleteer and travel writer, working to promote European understanding of Indian literature, myth and religion, including through his translation of the *Ramayana* into Dutch.

With the help of generous excerpts from Haafner's own writings, including material newly translated into English, van der Velde tells an affecting story of a young man who made a world for himself along the Coromandel Coast, in Ceylon and Calcutta, but who returned to Europe to live the last years of his life in Amsterdam, suffering an acute nostalgia for Asia: "No, in Europe and especially in its northern climes, no one enjoys their life..." This will be compelling reading for anyone interested in European response to the cultures of Asia through the eyes of an unprejudiced cosmopolitan.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712800>

P.S. Teo, Photographer (1930-2005) / Teo Soh Lung

Word Image, Singapore 2020

152p.

9789811462122

\$ 40.00 / null

460 gm.

P. S. Teo started his career by assisting the chief photographer and dark room technician at Studio De Luxe. At the same time, he did a correspondence course conducted by Alpha Correspondence School of Photography in London, reading, self-study and doing experimental work on photography. The famous portrait photographer Yousuf Karsh was his mentor. Karsh who passed through Singapore encouraged him to be a photographer. He sent him a gift of his book of black and white portraits and gave him one piece of important advice – never be stingy with films.

In his younger days, P. S. Teo participated in photography exhibitions and competitions both in Singapore and abroad. He won two bronze medals from the Singapore Art Society. In 1955, he had three portraits exhibited at the Institute of British Photographers Exhibition of Professional Photography at the R.B.A. Gallery, London. In 1956 he was awarded the Associateship of the Institute of British Photographers (A.I.B.P) for portrait photography making him just one of two Malaysians to receive the honour. In 1957, he became an Associate of the Royal Photographic Society of Great Britain (A.R.P.S.). The following year, he was made a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (F.R.S.A).

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712801>

I Thought I Knew : A Professor Turned Patient / Christopher Cheng Wai Sam

Write Editions, Singapore 2020

xxviii, 152p.

9789811449949

\$ 28.00 / null

350 gm.

I Thought I Knew is a poignant, blow-by-blow account of a leading urologist whose world collapsed when he discovered he himself faced the very condition he was expert in – prostate cancer. Lying on a cold operating table one Saturday morning in December 2017, Prof Christopher Cheng realised he had entered the dusk of unknowns. Not even his 37 years of professional life in the field could prepare him for the momentous episode – a professor turned patient.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712803>

Jose Silveira Machado : Um Macaense dos Acores / Jorge Rangel (et al.)

Instituto Internacional de Macau, Macau 2019

104p.

9789895469604

\$ 40.00 / null

280 gm.

Na sequência da sessão evocativa realizada na Livraria Portuguesa de Macau, no dia 24 de Maio de 2019, por ocasião do centenário do nascimento de José Silveira Machado, o Instituto Internacional de Macau decidiu publicar este livro que não é mais que uma justa homenagem a este "macaense dos Açores", um pedagogo, jornalista e escritor que se destacou em muitas áreas. Com prefácio da autoria de Jorge A. H. Rangel e contribuição de Luís Sá Cunha, António Aresta, Marco Carvalho, Maria de Lurdes Botelho Machado e Manuela Machado Eleutério, este volume da Coleção "Mosaico" é um contributo útil e justo para se dar a conhecer o legado cultural de mais um Português que deu o melhor de si na singular terra que é Macau.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703090>

It Is Not About Me: Diaries 2010-2011 / Tendai Rinos Mwanaka

Mwanaka Media and Publishing Pvt. Ltd., Chitungwiza, Zimbabwe 2019

vii, 185p. ; 210x148mm.

9781779065155

\$ 30.00 / null

300 gm.

It Is Not About Me: Diaries 2010-2011, is not about the diarist, but provides snapshots of life in Zimbabwe over the 2010-2011 period and during the early years of the Government of National Unity of Morgan Tsvangirai's Movement for Democratic Change (MDC-T), Robert Mugabe's ZANU-PF government and the smaller MDC-N of Welshman Ncube. 90 incisive diaries cover a full year of grappling with Zimbabwe's slippery politics: the broken economy, the changing social landscape, a moribund culture, spiritual and physical poverty, unrequited love, reading, writing, the condition of the artist and the art of diarizing.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=696469>

Mama Penee: Transcending the Genocide / Uazuvara Ewald Kapombo Katjivena
University of Namibia Press, Namibia 2020

xvi, 116p. ; 210x140mm. ; B/W Illustrations.

Includes Bibliography

9789991642512

\$ 32.00 / null

200 gm.

Jahohora Petronella Inaavinuise, who came to be known as Mama Penee, was a young girl of eleven when her parents were shot in cold blood before her during the 1904-1908 genocidal war in Namibia. Waved away from the scene by a German soldier, she realised that it was her destiny to live. Finding water and food for herself and learning to avoid danger, she spent several months in hiding. Courageous and self-sufficient, she learned lessons in wisdom, calm, and what is truly important in life, lessons which she later imparted to her grandchildren in ways both ingenious and challenging. Her extraordinary personal qualities and influence shine from this story, told by one of her grandsons with the insight and understanding gained over a lifetime of reflecting on his grandmother.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=696474>

Kill the Major : The True Story of the Allied Guerilla Hunt for the Last Japanese Forces in Borneo / Paul Malone

SIRD-Strategic Information and Research Development Centre, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia 2020

xii, 200p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789672165866

\$ 18.00 / null

400 gm.

The true story of the 42 Australian, New Zealand and British guerrillas and their Borneo-warrior allies who fought behind Japanese lines in World War II and forced the surrender of the last Japanese companies, two months after World War II's official end. Over 1,000 Japanese were killed in the 'Semut 1' operation, a casualty rate out of all proportion to the small size and armaments of the force. But rather than revere and praise their leader, after the war, many of the guerrillas recounted their hatred for the British Major, Tom Harrison.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712828>

Monograph on Selected Malay Intellectuals / Mohamad and Md. Som Sujimon

IIUM Press, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 2020

xxiv, 308p.

Includes Index

9789832957027

\$ 35.00 / null

540 gm.

The Islamic civilization created great minds like Ibn Khaldun, Imam al-Ghazali, Imam Shafie and many more. In Malaysia where Islam is the integral part of the federation and its people, the rise of its very own exemplary minds was only natural. Scholars like Idris al-Marbawi, Sheikh Daud al-Fatani To Kenali, Haji Ahmad Badawi, Ahmad Ibrahim, Sheikh Mustafa, Dr. Burhanuddin al-Helmy, Pendeta Zaaba, Yusoff Zaky and others greatly influenced the Muslim minds in the country. Another of Malaysia's prominent Muslim was its father of independence Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra al-Haj who played a pivotal role in uniting the ummah at the global platform. Though they may not be with us anymore, the legacy that they left us is still very much alive. Muslims in Malaya and later Malaysia greatly benefited from their contributions. The book gives an overview of the role played by great minds from Tanah Jawi in enriching the Ummah's knowledge in Islam. This book also touches on the workings of their minds, the way they disseminated their thoughts be it in politics or education and their writings. The all had one thing in common, to help fellow Muslims to dwell deeper into Islam and unite the ummah through their works and thoughts. It is hoped that this book would help the readers to appreciate the contributions of Malaysia's Exemplary Muslims.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712829>

Navigating Turbulent Times : The Autobiography of M. Rajasingam / M. Rajasingam

SIRD-Strategic Information and Research Development Centre, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia 2020

xvi, 244p.

9789672165859

\$ 25.00 / null

450 gm.

In 2010 Port Klang was thrust into the headlines when the Port Klang Free Zone (PKFZ) was placed at the centre of a major corruption scandal. Yet only 10 years before the General Manager, M. Rajasingam, had retired leaving the port at a surplus and as a major stopping point for international shipping vessels.

For many the PKFZ scandal was the first time they had learned about the goings on at Port Klang, yet for Rajasingam Port Klang had been his life. Beginning there in 1965 as an Assistant Traffic Superintendent, he was raised up through the ranks to become the General Manager before retiring in 1997. In the wake of the PKFZ scandal he was asked to return to Port Klang to investigate the losses that the port had experienced, before being removed only two years later for political reasons. In Navigating Turbulent Times Rajasingam interweaves his own story with that of the nation, relating his experiences in the port sector with Malaysia's economic development and the trials and tribulations that went with it. From his perspective in Port Klang, Rajasingam was at the forefront of the nation's development, witnessing the transition from a small colonial economy, exporting raw materials, to a booming Asian tiger. Yet as a corporate public body he also saw the impact of the NEP, and when privatisation came along Port Klang was one of the first public entities privatised, with Rajasingam playing a major role. He was therefore only too aware of the problems that Malaysia's economic development was generating. He saw first-hand the amplification of race-based politics with the introduction of the NEP, the problems created by government intervention in business and the appointment of politicians to boards of companies, as well as the growth in corruption which accompanied both the NEP and privatisation.

Throughout he tells the story of how in spite of this he continued to struggle to serve his country and to do the right thing, impressing then Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad with his willingness to speak truth to power, and, as a minority, to make his voice heard.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712830>

No Way Home : Stories of Rohingya Refugees in Bangladesh, Myanmar and Malaysia / Teo Ann Siang

Gerakbudaya Enterprise and MyCARE, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia 2020

xx, 204p.

9789670311647

\$ 15.00 / null

300 gm.

Here are stories of the Rohingyas who are living in Myanmar, Bangladesh and Malaysia. The voices of the exiled and the displaced.

Malaysia hosts the largest number of refugees from Myanmar, second only to Bangladesh. It is believed that there are about 300,000 registered and unregistered Rohingyas living in the country. Under Malaysian law, the Rohingya are still not recognized as refugees. Instead, they are deemed as illegal immigrants.

No Way Home is divided into three parts – Bangladesh, Malaysia and Myanmar – and is based on the author's personal observations at home and abroad, coupled with works by various organisations in these regions. These encounters provide a more extensive and contextual view of the ongoing suffering and persecution faced by the Rohingya people, and raises questions of our shared humanity in times of crisis.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712831>

What We Know For Sure : Inspirational Stories of Filipino Special Immigrants in America, Volume One / Lia Ocampo

Digital Publishing of Florida, Inc., Florida, USA 2020

iv, 110p.

9781949720471

\$ 25.00 / null

200 gm.

What We Know For Sure features Filipino embassy employees who provided long, faithful, and valuable service to the United States Government. In this book, they share the process of coming to America and the truth behind the hard work and sacrifices it takes to stay. It was written for potential immigrants and immigrants, no matter what stage of the process they are in. These stories are here to comfort, inspire, educate, and guide any immigrant throughout his or her journey to the land of the free.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712889>

Sartaj Aziz : A Living Legend / Abid Qaiyum Suleri , Sania Nishtar

Sang-e-Meel Publications, Lahore, Pakistan 2019

208p.

9789693532234

\$ 45.00 / HB

700 gm.

1. Biography – Sartaj Aziz.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681390>

Desert Doctor and Desert Harvest : Medicine and Evangelism in the Kalahari Desert / A M Merriweather

Joy Crosbie, Gaborone, Botswana 2019

vi, 226p.

9789996809125

\$ 40.00 / null

460 gm.

The work of the medicinal missionary venture in Botswana, led by Dr Merriweather.

Desert Doctor recounts some of Alfred's experiences in the early days of the Hospital, whilst Desert Harvest introduces us to a family, their customs, ideas and thoughts in 1960s Botswana.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702610>

Perfectly Two-Faced : Break Free The Chain: True Reflections of A Survivor of Abuse (A True Story) / Ms Lesedi Mashumba

Chief Cornerstone Holdings (Botswana) (Pty) Ltd, Gaborone, Botswana 2019

125p.

9780797490659

\$ 30.00 / null

200 gm.

Based On True Story, Lesedi Mashumba bares it all with the hope of enriching minds and saving lives from the chains of abuse.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702611>

Father of Algebra : Muhammad bin Musa al-Khawarizmi / Noor Muhammad Awan
Sang-e-Meel Publications, Lahore, Pakistan 2018

254p.

969353140X ; 9789693531404

\$ 40.00 / HB

420 gm.

1.Biography – Al-Khawarizmi.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681392>

Mansur Al-Hallaj : A Sufi on the Gibbet / M. Ikram Chaghatai
Sang-e-Meel Publications, Lahore, Pakistan 2018

632p.

9789693530841

\$ 45.00 / HB

900 gm.

1.Biography.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681391>

Garcin De Tassy (1794-1878) : A French Devotee of Urdu Language and
Literature / M. Ikram Chaghatai

Sang-E-Meel Publications, Lahore, Pakistan 2018

362p. ; 42p.

9789693531268

\$ 40.00 / HB

650 gm.

1.Biography.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681393>

Arithmetics and Numeral System of al-Khawarizmi / Muhammad Awan
Sang-e-Meel Publications, Pakistan 2018

280p.

Includes Bibliographical Sources

9789693531398

\$ 30.00 / HB

450 gm.

1.Biography – Al-Khawarizmi

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681385>

I Recall: Autobiography / Eur Ing Sarfraz Ahmad
Sang-e-Meel Publications, Lahore, Pakistan 2017

xix, 408p. ; with pictures.

Includes Index

9789693530766

\$ 50.00 / HB

900 gm.

I recall is an autobiography of an eminent engineer who built up a consulting engineering practice over a span of 50 years, to a top professional organization in Pakistan. He comes from a middle class family, with a brilliant all-round academic, sports, and artistic career, and is a witness to great social and life-style changes and development in the city of Lahore over 75 years. He has set an example of how focusing on a goal, sincere hard-work with honesty of purpose and integrity, one can steer one's mission to success even through a sea of difficulties.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681387>

Negotiating The Power Corridors: Forty Challenging Years of Civil Service / Syed Irtiqah Ahmed Zaidi

IPS Press, Institute of Policy Studies, Islamabad, Pakistan 2020

xvi, 392p.

Includes Index

9789694487830

\$ 30.00 / HB

520 gm.

This is a compilation of autobiographical notes and stories of an honest and dedicated civil servant who has served in the corridors of power for over 40 years. Besides giving interesting details of his school and college life, he has revealed several startling incidents in crucial decision-making process. He has unfolded many amazing incidents which took place during his travels within and outside Pakistan. The book negates the public impression that civil servants enjoy boundless powers and privileges and spend carefree attractive lives. It narrates the hard fact that a patriotic, hardworking and honest civil servant has to face tremendous challenges in the disposal of his duties. He has to be vigilant and proactive in performing his job efficiently and diligently in the best interest of the country. The autobiography carries a message that the civil servants should always be subservient to the state and not to the rules. The work was earlier published in Urdu and two of its editions have been sold out. It is a must read for students aspiring for a career in public service, policy practitioners, management professionals and also the concerned citizens of Pakistan.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681386>

G. W. Leitner (1840-1899) / M. Ikram Chaghatai

Sang-e-Meel Publications, Lahore, Pakistan 2018

398p. ; 89p. ; with pictures.

9693530888 ; 9789693530889

\$ 45.00 / HB

700 gm.

1. Biography.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681389>

Diary of a Vagabond / Mustansar Hussain Tarar

Sang-e-Meel Publications, Lahore, Pakistan 2018

288p.

9789693530612

\$ 40.00 / HB

550 gm.

A collection of columns written by Mustansar Hussain Tarar, published in the newspaper Dawn over the years.

"Through this Diary of a Vagabond, though at home, in his study, Tarar the writer and vagabond takes you to different journeys commenting on issues he found of interest and importance to share with his readers."

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681388>

Passages. / Linda Trubridge

Hornpipe Press, New Zealand 2019

x, 444 p.; 155x230mm.
Includes Bibliography
9780473437077
\$ 45.00 / null
600 gm.

Passages is a personal, yet universal story of a life in harmony with nature. When Linda, her husband David, and their two small boys, Sam and William, bought a yacht called Hornpipe and set sail for tropical waters, they cast off from all security. So began a nomadic adventure when they had to depend on their own resources, navigating by the sun and stars. This beautifully illustrated book presents a thrillingly honest, yet poetic reflection on the challenges of fulfilling a dream, as seen from a mother's perspective. Those ocean passages were a non stop roller coaster ride: "There were times when they plunged into the deepest trough of the wave and there were times when they rode, in exhilaration, the highest crest". Linda's literal and metaphorical passages braid together both past and present to reveal how her family's extraordinary voyages inspired their future accomplishments. "This story is for all explorers. The passages we weave through our lives find their truth in those we touch along the way: - Linda Trubridge

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681365>

Eat, Drink and Be Murray: A memoir...sort of / Murray Thom (Ed)

Thom Productions, New Zealand 2019

292p.

9780473491192

\$ 60.00 / HB

550 gm.

Murray Thom is a completely self-made businessman who left school at 15 with his FSC (Failed School Certificate). Despite a lack of formal education, he was the Managing Director of CBS Records at just 23 years old.

Since then, he has produced numerous bestsellers including, The Great New Zealand Songbook, Baking Book and Cookbook, and the Offering project. Two of his productions have featured on The Oprah Winfrey Show in America. This is his story and will appeal to small business owners, those seeking motivation and inspiration, and anyone who enjoys a good story. Murray Thom (marketer extraordinaire) is assured of extensive publicity for this book.

New Zealand is a nation of small business owners and if you're one of them you will take pleasure, comfort and hope from many of the stories that Murray has to share.

Murray currently lives in Auckland and is a businessman, a family man, a sportsman and a lover of life. This is his story which he shares with energy, humour and honesty.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681364>

A Maze of Grace / Natalie Yule Yeoman (Ed)

Wayfarer, New Zealand 2019

306p.

9780995115439

\$ 35.00 / null

400 gm.

In 2015 Natalie Yule Yeoman was diagnosed with breast cancer. A Maze of Grace is the story of her response to the illness over a year, through diary entries, correspondence, poems, medical reports and family writings.

By cultivating her inner resources, including her Christian belief and disarming sense of humour, Natalie was able to find new ways of coping with the devastation of the illness as it progressed to secondary tumours and became incurable. Hers is a story of diagnoses, delays, mistakes, inquiries and apologies – but it is also a story of faith and community, hope and family.

Natalie's wish is that her discoveries on this pilgrimage will be helpful for anyone going through a health crisis. For others, the story of this wahine toa who lives life to the full will be quite simply an inspiration.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681367>

Down a County Road II: More Stories from New Zealand's Back Country / Tony Orman

New Holland Publishers, New Zealand 2019

224 p.; 210x145 x15mm.

Includes Bibliography

9781869665302

\$ 40.00 / null

450 gm.

Down A Country Road 11 features the colourful, eccentric and hard-working characters who are the back-bone of the New Zealand back country. An evocative reminiscence of a way of life that has largely disappeared, it captures the stories of Kiwis who have a strong connection to the environment and who have carved out unique lifestyles showing a resilience of character that is marked by wry humour and a pioneering spirit.

Both North and South Island stories provide a good geographical mix. Locations include: Hawkes Bay, Marlborough, Tararua Ranges and Waitua.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681366>

Bill and Shirley : A Memoir / Keith Ovenden

Massey University Press, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

200p.

9780995131835

\$ 45.00 / HB

280 gm.

Bill Sutch and Shirley Smith were two of New Zealand's most significant twentieth-century figures; Sutch as an economist, influential civil servant, and inspirational proponent of innovation in the fields of social and economic development, and Smith as glass-ceiling breaker in the formerly male-dominated world of the law. Keith Ovenden's wise, urbane memoir begins with the early years of his marriage to Sutch and Smith's only child, Helen Sutch, and carries through Sutch's trial on charges under the Official Secrets Act to Smith's death over 30 years later. It offers unprecedented insights into both the accusations against Sutch and Smith's remarkable legal practice and, behind both, some of the dramas of their domestic life. Deeply intelligent and beautifully crafted, Bill and Shirley: A Memoir is a unique and intimate study of two complex and fascinating New Zealanders.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718168>

Tree of Strangers / Barbara Sumner

Massey University Press, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

240p.

9780995135406

\$ 45.00 / HB

300 gm.

Like many adopted people, filmmaker Barbara Sumner yearned to know who her mother was. New Zealand's closed adoption laws made that almost impossible and coloured her chaotic adolescence and adult life. When she finally tracked her mother down, a longed-for reunion ended in tragedy. This remarkable, moving, beautifully written memoir explores Sumner's conviction that everyone who loses their mother suffers some degree of physiological damage. They are all grafted onto the tree of strangers.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718167>

In The Time of the Manaroans / Miro Bilbrough

Victoria University of Wellington Press, Wellington, New Zealand 2020

304p.

9781776563128

\$ 50.00 / null

540 gm.

At fourteen Miro Billbrough falls out with the communist grandmother who has raised her since she was seven, and is sent to live with her father and his rural-hippy friends. It is 1978, Canvastown, New Zealand, and the Floodhouse is a dwelling of pre-industrial gifts and deficiencies set on the banks of the Wakamarina River, which routinely invades its rooms.

Isolated in rural poverty, the lives of Miro and her father and sister are radically enhanced by the Manaroans—charismatic hippies who use their house as a crash pad on journeys to and from a commune in a remote corner of the Marlborough Sounds. Arriving by power of thumb, horseback and hooped canvas caravan, John of Saratoga, Eddie Fox, Jewels and company set about rearranging the lives and consciousness of the blasted family unit.

In the Time of the Manaroans brilliantly captures a largely unwritten historical culture, the Antipodean incarnation of the Back to the Land movement. Contrarian, idealistic, sexually opportunistic and self-mythologising too, this was a movement, as the narrator duly discovers, not conceived with adolescents in mind.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718166>

The (Almost) True Story of a Man Called Jack / Vivienne Lingard

Artistry Publishing, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

260p.

9780473533984

\$ 40.00 / null

480 gm.

The (almost) true story of a man called Jack, is a fictionalised memoir about my father, John Frederick Lingard Fowlds. He was such a character, I decided to make him one in his own story. Altering names and events, was freeing, enabling me write my family as 'other'. I loved that. The story recounts Jack McPhee's life through the 1950s and 60s with his family in Silverstream, in the Hutt Valley north of Wellington. The McPhees live in a dilapidated old villa, which would be in today's terms be known as 'the worst house in the best street'. Thigh-high weeds are the garden, crazed concrete is the front yard. The four children share the one bedroom and the parents sleep in the lounge. But Jack has a plan to renovate. Jack always has a plan. He tries his hand at sign-writing, singing, acting and art. He is funny, playful, and just loves life. But he is also hard-working; running bookstalls, bookshops and a travelling library during his short life. The (almost) true story of a man called Jack, will likely make you laugh, and cry, but it is certainly going to wish that you had known the man called Jack.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718165>

This Pakeha Life : An Unsettled Memoir / Alison Jones

Bridget Williams Books Ltd, Wellington, New Zealand 2020

240p.

9781988587288

\$ 50.00 / null

380 gm.

This book is about my making sense here, of my becoming and being Pākehā. Every Pākehā becomes a Pākehā in their own way, finding her or his own meaning for that Māori word. This is the story of what it means to me. I have written this book for Pākehā – and other New Zealanders – curious about their sense of identity and about the ambivalences we Pākehā often experience in our relationships with Māori.

A timely and perceptive memoir from award-winning author and academic Alison Jones. As questions of identity come to the fore once more in New Zealand, this frank and humane account of a life spent traversing Pākehā and Māori worlds offers important insights into our shared life on these islands.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718164>

Journey to Silence : Memoirs of a Surgeon / Ajmal Sobhan

The University Press Limited, Dhaka, Bangladesh 2020

x, 214p.

9789845062831

\$ 15.00 / null

350 gm.

Ajmal Sobhan's journey to silence is filled with noise: the clamor of emergency rooms, wails from the ICU, rattles from throats of dying friends, yells and bustle of Dhaka streets, moans of addicts, laments of abused women, whimpering of abandoned dogs and the hushed yet piercing cries of his selfseeking release from prisons of social conditioning and thought. The cacophonies of his life diminish during his marathon runs and mountain treks but he will not know complete peace until he lives the truth of who he believes he really is: the silent awareness that gives rise to all. Sobhan recounts his inner and outer journey on two continents with great candor and humility.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702641>

Saloobin : Mga Sagot Ni Hen. Emilio Aguinaldo Sa Mga Paratang Ng Dakilang Lumpo = Sentiments : Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo's Response to the Accusations of the Sublime Paralytic / Emmanuel Franco Calairo

National Historical Commission of the Philippines, Manila, Philippines 2019

xvi, 272p.

Includes Bibliography

9789715383400

\$ 35.00 / null

480 gm.

1.Aguilnado, Emilio – Biography.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702652>

Oplan Exodus : The Story of the Gallant 44 / Margarita R. Cojuangco

Anvil Publishing, Inc., Mandaluyong City, Philippines 2020

x, 342p.

9789712735875

\$ 20.00 / null

440 gm.

On the evening of January 24, 2015, Special Action Force officers left for Mamasapano on a mission to neutralize high value targets, unaware that they were heading into a massacre.

Oplan Exodus details the harrowing encounter between the SAF men and the MILF denizens of Mamasapano. It exposes the state of our national security, the flaws and limitations of the operational plan that led to the death of forty-four skilled and selfless officers, and the chaos and confusion that followed as the wives and families sought justice and accountability for their men.

Margarita R. Cojuangco, "mom" to the SAF officers after serving as president at the Philippine Public Safety College where the men graduated, draws from reports, investigations, and personal interviews with eyewitnesses and survivors to honor the great sacrifice of the SAF 44.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702650>

Some Days You Can't Save Them All / Ronnie E. Baticulon

The University of the Philippines Press, Quezon City, Philippines 2020

xvi, 176p.

9789715429092

\$ 20.00 / null

350 gm.

"I wasn't choosing among A, B, C, and D on a test paper anymore. I had stood between life and death, and I faltered."

In the event of an error, the only thing a writer loses is a chunk of swollen ego. But a physician's incorrect diagnosis will always be a matter of life and death. Dr. Baticulon's dispatches from the country's leading public hospital are told in language that requires no further acrobatics. How do you tell a mother that the smiling ten-year-old boy in her arms will not survive the following week? How do you tell a little girl she'll never be able to go home to play because her parents can't afford P54,000 for her surgery? How do you live with yourself after breaking a promise to save an eight-year-old boy's life? Like the trenches of war zones, the operating room is the frontline of life's most difficult questions. Here are a neurosurgeon's gripping ruminations on hope and loss.

—Lourd De Veyra

Ronnie Baticulon follows in the footsteps of many other physicians for whom the task of understanding and healing humanity did not stop at the clinic or the operating room. They used words and language not only for their patients but also for themselves—a long and distinguished line from Rabelais, Chekhov, and Maugham to Michael Crichton, Richard Selzer, Oliver Sacks, and of course our own Jose Rizal and Arturo Rotor. Dr. Baticulon is a worthy addition to that tradition.

—Jose Y. Dalisay Jr.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702651>

Thirst for Excellence in an Islamic World : Remarkable Stories of 50 Inspiring Filipino Engineers in the Land of Oil and Gold / Ulysses V. Espartero

Central Books Supply, Inc., Quezon City, Philippines 2020

228p.

9786210210088

\$ 40.00 / null

400 gm.

Published in meaningful Celebration of 50 Years of Diplomatic Relations between the Philippines and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (1969-2015)

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is known for its oil and display of glittering gold. Filipinos in search of a wonderful life for their respective families back home have come to the desert to fulfill their dreams.

This book is a compilation of stories as told by Filipino engineers who have lived and worked or still working in the Arab Kingdom. While not all Filipino professionals featured in the book directly work for the oil and gas industry, the term "oil pipelines" represent, as I believe, a country that mainly cultivates its vast oil reserves

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=702649>

Zhong Yang : The Answer of a Botanist to Life / Chen Fang , Cheng Cong

China Intercontinental Press, Beijing, China 2019

246.

9787508536590

\$ 34.00 / null

450 gm.

In the form of the documentary literature, this book realistically and vividly narrates the story of a life scientist with passion for seeds.

Zhong Yang, the hero in the book, was the dean of the Graduate School and professor of the School of Life Science of Fudan University, having engaged in scientific research and teaching of botany and bio-information study for over 30 years. Cherishing the ideal of serving the country with science and technology, he had long been dedicating himself to the research and protection of bio-diversity, leading a team in having collected tens of millions of plant seeds on Qinghai-Tibet plateau for the national seed-bank. At the same time, he worked so hard for bringing up people to become talents in areas inhabited by minority nationalities in western China.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730747>

Sun Jiadong : Life of an Aerospace Scientist / Wang Jianmeng ,Dai Wenchao
China Intercontinental Press, Beijing, China 2019
226p.
9787508542768
\$ 34.00 / null
440 gm.

Sun Jiadong is one of the pioneers and founders of China's aerospace science and technology industry. The protagonist has progressed and grown in the development of China's aerospace industry for more than 50 years. He has witnessed China's aerospace from scratch, from small to large, from weak to strong, and is a representative figure who opened a new chapter in China's satellite industry and opened a new era of space industry. He is still on the front line of aerospace engineering and talent training, and his legend continues. Taking Sun Jiadong's life experience as a clue, this book presents the arduous journey of China's aerospace industry and its brilliant achievements, as well as China's international status as a "big power weapon".

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730746>

Justin Yifu Lin : A Legend of Diagnosing China's Economic Development / Liu Shiyong ,Dai Wenchao (et al.)

China Intercontinental Press, Beijing, China 2019
208p.
9787508536095
\$ 34.00 / HB
400 gm.

This book is a comprehensive introduction of the legendary life of Lin Yifu, right from his beginning as a student of military school, to the chief economist of the World Bank. How did he get first acquainted with economics? How did he become the last disciple of the Nobel winner Theodore Schultz? How was his lifelong compassion towards peasants aroused after his return to China, and making himself an authority of Chinese economy? You will get satisfactory answers of all these questions from this brilliantly written biography.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730745>

Above the "Ladders to Heaven" : A Story of a Rural Teacher Couple / Chen Guo , Gong Rui (et al.)

China Intercontinental Press, Beijing, China 2019
186p.
9787508536583
\$ 34.00 / null
380 gm.

This book tells the true story of Li Guilin and Lu Jianfen, the teachers of the elementary school in Erping Village, Wushiqiao Township, Ganluo County, Liangshan Yi Autonomous Region. As "substitute teachers", they disregard the low salary and poor life, build "ladders" on the top of the mountain where the environment is blocked and travel difficult, and work hard to run schools for twenty years, dedicating their youth to the remote areas. The children in the mountains paved the way to the future. Li Guilin and Lu Jianfen are outstanding representatives of the people's teachers in the new era, the "Prometheus" of the Chinese village version.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730744>

Yuan Longping : The Father of Hybrid Rice / Chen Qiwen , Wang Hao

China Intercontinental Press, Beijing, China 2019
208p.
9787508536606
\$ 34.00 / null
400 gm.

Yuan Longping, the world-renowned "Father of Hybrid Rice," is an outstanding agronomist from China and winner of multiple awards including the National Science and Technology Award, the WIPO Gold Medal for Inventors, the UNESCO Science Prize, and the World Food Prize. He has been devoted to hybrid rice research since his early 20s and has established a technological roadmap for super hybrid rice breeding. His accomplishments have contributed to China's food self-sufficiency and the world's food security.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730743>

Jin Xing'an and the First Farmers' Book House / Li Chaoquan , Pan Zhongming

China Intercontinental Press, Beijing, China 2019

204p.

9787508538761

\$ 34.00 / null

400 gm.

This book tells the story of Nongjia Bookstore and its founder Jin Xing'an. When Jin Xing'an was ten years old, both his parents died. He was raised by the government and villagers and became an influential writer. In order to give back to the society, he donated all the books and manuscript fees, and built a writer's bookstore in his hometown with a lack of books and culture. The Jiangji Town Farmhouse (writer) bookstore has become a local knowledge bank and the most beautiful "paradise on earth". For more than ten years, groups of peasant students have entered Peking University, Tsinghua University and other universities from their bookstores. Many peasants have learned the skills to make a fortune. The book takes a little bit to the side, reflecting the new achievements of the Farmhouse Bookstore Project in serving farmers, serving the rural revitalization strategy, and building a new socialist countryside.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730742>

Huang Danian : The Life of a Geophysicist / Wu Jing , Chen Cong

China Intercontinental Press, Beijing, China 2019

184p.

9787508537184

\$ 34.00 / null

380 gm.

Huang Danian, a world-celebrated geophysicist, returned in his prime to his alma mater Jilin University to teach and do research, leaving behind all material comforts that he had earned through nearly two decades of hard work in England. He mobilized multidisciplinary resources to develop China's deep earth exploration capacity. During his term of service as an expert on the Technical Panel on Resources and Environment established under China's 863 research project, he managed to achieve a series of major technological breakthroughs, helping China to close huge gaps with the West in a number of fields. He was a dedicated, hardworking scientist, always burning his candle at both ends until his life was cut short by a terminal illness. This book provides a vivid and detailed account of Huang's life as a scientist a husband, a father, and a teacher.

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Sunshine Sisters : The Story of Housekeeping Service / Peng Yanhua, Li Yifeng

China Intercontinental Press, Beijing, China 2019

240p.

9787508535821

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450 gm.

This book tells the story of a housekeeping company called "Sunshines Sisters", showing the image of ordinary Chinese workers. What kind of business is "Sunshine Sisters"? What has enabled it to obtain special attention from national leaders? How was "Sunshine Sisters" founded? What different types of customer problems have they encountered while providing a housekeeping service? How are the sisters enthusiastically engaged in work, and how do they overcome a variety of problems with calmness and optimism? This reader-friendly book tells many stories of ordinary families and a group of sunshine sisters.

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Mu Mengjie and His School for the Blind / Li Chaoquan , Liu Shining

China Intercontinental Press, Beijing, China 2019

208p.

9787508537429

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400 gm.

This book recounts the life experience of Mu Mengjie, a blind man who ventured out into the world at the age of 13 to make a living through performing on the streets as a storyteller. Several years later he returned home and established a special school for the visually impaired. The school welcomed anyone who had a visual impairment without charging tuition. Mengjie had never even one day of formal schooling. But with a pure kind heart he brings joy and hope to many people with visual impairments as well as their families.

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A Collection of Happiness / Liu Lili , Zhang Ruiqing

New World Press, Beijing, China 2018

viii, 140p.

9787510464959

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250 gm.

Collecting Happiness (English Version)", written by Liu Lili and translated by Zhang Ruiqing, tells the life story of the famous female ballet dancer Wang Yanping who collected words after leaving the stage and became a collector with a unique taste of art and a certain influence. In the process of collecting all kinds of jewelry, clothing and certificates decorated with words, she is looking for the happy memories of the Chinese people and weaving her full life.

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Kong Ning : Bride of the Earth / Chi Hua , Wang Chiyang

New World Press, Beijing, China 2018

134p.

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320 gm.

This book tells the colorful life story of Kong Ning, a transboundary artist who is constantly pursuing her own voice. Kong Ning was born in 1958 in the border city of Manzhouli. She once worked as a prosecutor and witnessed death in prison in the execution ground. After becoming one of the most approved lawyers in China, she boldly dabbled in the field of art. Her life experience involves law, poetry creation, film, oil painting, architecture, installation, performance art, and is a well-known crossover artist in Beijing. Her oil paintings use bold colors and are collected by many art institutions. The Rose Castle she designed is also a gathering place for Beijing cultural artists. It can be said that Kong Ning's life experience fully reflects the increasingly tolerant cultural atmosphere of Chinese society, and respect for personal choices and dreams.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=730737>

Who's Who of Sri Lanka, Vol. II : Brief Biographical Sketches / Chandrabhanu Samaraweera

Who's Who Publications, Pannipitiya, Sri Lanka 2020

xx, 732p. ; Photo. ; 21cm.

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