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Dale Arenson

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[https://www.dalearenson.com](https://www.dalearenson.com)

**Changing Tides Poetry of love, loss and new life**  
Katy Hoover

Loss is all around us, *Changing Tides* By Katy Hoover Is a vulnerable, yet powerfully hopeful collection of freestyle poetry and ocean photography. Hoover invites you on her journey. By comparing her experience with the natural rhythms of the ocean, she is strengthened by faith that helps her survive the unthinkable and find joy. “I pray that Changing Tides will let others know they are not alone and help them find their way.” Hoover shared.


**Chile Town**  
Richard Alvarado

A novella about a 15 year old young man’s infatuation about a 16 year old girl he see’s daily on the city bus. An inspiring but chilling story of the challenges young Latinos face in the inner city and the unrecognized help they receive from a stranger.

[https://www.purochisme.org/](https://www.purochisme.org/)

**Serpents and Doves**  
Gary Helm

*Serpents and Doves* us a novel about college life in a small southern college during the middle ’60’s. It talks about integration, free love, and friendship.

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Tricia Cochée

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https://worldstagepress.org/product/the-orisha-talks

Next Door; I’m a Little Brain Dead; Birth and Other Surprises
Kimberly Davis Basso

Kimberly Davis Basso is a two Time Finalist for INDIES Book of the Year in Humor from Foreword Reviews for her non-fiction humor I’m a Little Brain Dead and Birth and Other Surprises and a Finalist for Life Stories from Writer’s Digest. Next Door, her first horror collection was included in LOCUS Magazine’s 2021 Horror Year in Review as a “superb collection” that “should be on the shelves of every horror fiction fan out there.”

www.KimberlyDavisBasso.com

Empty Cupboards
Stacey Powells

All the kings horses and all the kings men couldn’t put Stacey together again. The bathroom floor is where Stacey found herself when her slow descent into her mental hell began. The chaos of her fifteen-year marriage had taken its toll when her boys needed her more than ever. Confirming it was many which sent her down the rabbit hole, Stacey shows us how ignoring mental health issues can lead to some serious shit.

www.staceypowells.com
Stretched Love
Gordon Blitz

Gordon Blitz’s third novel, *Stretched Love*, plunges us into the passionate marriage of a couple in their thirties, Warren and Rebecca and her troubled younger gay brother, Paul. The hold that these three characters have on each other takes on mythic proportions when one of them faces serious illness. Blitz does not hold back from the savagery of disease and death. The relationships take an unexpected turn one that doesn’t always make sense. Blitz brilliantly demonstrates that love in all of its forms can be stretched, even beyond the grave.

https://gordonblitz.wixsite.com/website

Choice and Structure for Children with Autism
Colette McNeil

*Choice and Structure for Children with Autism* is a special education teacher’s guide to empowering autistic children through structure.

This little book offers ideas for improving focus, engagement, and cooperation. Strategies shared include:

- structured choice
- specific activity zones
- planning for changing energy levels
- visual cues and engagement support

Short relatable stories throughout help to illustrate how these strategies can be incorporated into daily life.

I hope you find it helpful!

SPSforAutism.com

The Art of Symeon Shimin
Tonia Shimin

*The Art of Symeon Shimin* presents a striking view of the life and art of this exceptional Russian born Jewish artist. Curated and edited by his daughter, the book includes essays, more than 100 plates and archival photographs and an autobiography. With paintings held in collections and museums in the USA and abroad this is the first complete collection of Shimin’s work that dramatically showcases art of rare beauty and raw expression.

symeonshimin.com
I’m Not Single I Have a Dog: Dating Tales From the Bark Side
Susan Hartzler

At age 60, Susan Hartzler has learned to accept, even love, the single life, provided she has good friends and a dog or two by her side. Always attracted to the quintessential bad boy with his good looks and charming ways, she was sure she could change “the one” into a devoted partner and loving father. Still, her compulsive giving and fixing behaviors went hand in hand with her disappointing and disastrous romantic relationships. On a hopeful trip to the pound, she found not only a dog to care for—but a partner who would sniff out the bad guys and help Susan find purpose and meaning in her crazy world. Thoughtful and funny, this memoir follows Susan’s life through the many ups and downs on her way to finding unconditional love. Her journey is a personal one, full of hard decisions, learning to put herself first and stop entering and staying in unhealthy relationships. By saving a dog, she rescues herself, learning to love herself as much as her dog loves her.

www.susanhartzler.com

Tofu Ink Arts Press Volume 5
Brian Jacobs

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https://www.tofuink.com/
The Tree and Me
Nadja

A gentle introduction to the wonders of nature. Readers and listeners will be delighted with the story and the beautiful watercolor illustrations. The Tree and Me ignites the same warm feelings as children’s classics such as Peter Rabbit, Winnie-the-Pooh, and other favorites. Perfect children’s read-aloud. It has a calming effect as it calls forth the healing energy of Mother Earth. Destined to be treasured in the hearts of children and their families.

Ophelia
Jacob Kilgore

This first volume of Ophelia’s epic series is a work of love by over two dozen international artists.

Young demigod Ophelia is on the run! Taken from her life as a reindeer herder, she refuses to be caught by the ferocious Cyclopes chasing her though a grand forest planted with specimens from across the universe. The farther she travels, the more amazing her life becomes!

https://www.weloveophelia.online/

The Speechless Chimpanzee
Laura Alexander

Dr. Wood, a speech language pathologist, loves and enjoys writing books for children, ages 3-8. Her picture storybooks focus on concepts which help children add to their skills for speech and language.

hellovoicepub.com

Isabella Castaspella: The Happy Little Witch and Her Friends
Parvati Markus

Isabella Castaspella is a chapter book (all in verse) of Izzy’s struggles with Lavinia LaMeanie, a nasty witch who causes problems for Izzy and her friends and animals. With the help of Witchie the Wise, they become a team that wards off Lavinia’s efforts, utilizing more heart than magic. The only one using her magical powers in a mean way is the bully Lavinia, who in the end is defeated by the power love.

https://parvatimarkus.com
First Black Girl: Black Women Who Opened the Door for Black Girls
Loretta Johnson-Smith

As an inspiration to girls of color, First Black Girl highlights sixteen past and present, relentless and radiant; bold and Black women, who trailblazed their way through entertainment, sports, science, politics, and art.

This creative read, parallels and illustrates contemporary women with women of our grandparents’ era like Shirley Chisholm, who opened the door for Vice President Kamala Harris. Witness historic female figures who knocked and unknowingly opened the door for other women behind them.

Will’s Adventure to the Candy Mountain
Dr. Gerry Haller

Will goes outside with the Conductor to meet the candy train. The adventure begins! Is he really going to the candy Mountain? Is it really made out of candy? On the train he meets a boy named Quinn. They decide to take the journey together. There are decisions they will have to make. Each one proves more mysterious than the next. What will they do when they have to choose? Come along and share the journey, decide what you would do.

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