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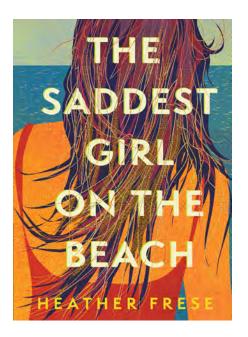


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- Early work with booksellers who are familiar with first book
- Social media campaign
- Craft article pitches to Lithub, Electric Lit, etc., with contracted publicist
- Goodreads giveaway
- Outreach to book clubs



See also

The Baddest Girl on the Planet HEATHER FRESE Lee Smith Novel Prize

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The Saddest Girl on the Beach

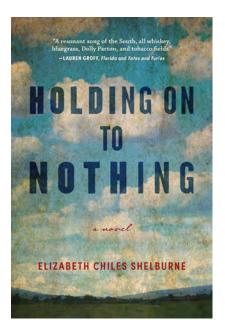
A Novel

HEATHER FRESE

Grieving after her father's death, a young woman seeks solace in an Outer Banks beach town of North Carolina where her best friend's family runs a small inn.

The family welcomes Charlotte with chowder dinners and a cozy room, but her friend Evie has a looming life change of her own, and soon Charlotte seeks other attractions to navigate her grief. Will she, like in some television movie, find her way back through a romance, or are there larger forces at play? Heather Frese, winner of the Lee Smith Novel Prize and author of *The Baddest Girl on the Planet*, sets Charlotte on a beautifully rendered course through human frailty, unrelenting science, and the awesome forces of the Carolina coast.

Heather Frese is the winner of the Lee Smith Novel Prize and author of The Baddest Girl on the Planet. Her fiction, essays, and poetry have appeared in Michigan Quarterly Review, the Los Angeles Review, Front Porch, the Barely South Review, Switchback, and elsewhere, earning notable mention in the Pushcart Prize Anthology and Best American Essays. She received her master's degree from Ohio University and her M.F.A. from West Virginia University. Coastal North Carolina is her longtime love and source of inspiration, her writing deeply influenced by the wild magic and history of the Outer Banks. She currently writes, edits, and wrangles three children in Raleigh, North Carolina.



FICTION
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MARKETING PLANS

- Fresh promotion through a new publicity team
- · Will pitch craft essays and topical op-eds
- Promotion of trailer and giveaways to book influencers

Holding On To Nothing

A Novel

Now in Paperback

ELIZABETH CHILES SHELBURNE

Lucy Kilgore has her bags packed for her escape from her rural Tennessee upbringing, but a drunken mistake forever tethers her to the town and one of its least-admired residents, Jeptha Taylor, who becomes the father of her child.

Together, these two young people work to form a family, though neither has any idea how to accomplish that, and the odds are against them in a place with little to offer other than bluegrass music, tobacco fields, and a Walmart full of beer and firearms for the hunting season. Their path is harrowing, but Lucy and Jeptha are characters to love, and readers will root for their success in a novel so riveting that no one will want to turn out the light until they know whether this family will survive.

Elizabeth Chiles Shelburne grew up in the Appalachian foothills of East Tennessee. A graduate of Amherst College, her writing has appeared in *The Atlantic, The Boston Globe, Boston Magazine, Broad River Review* and *Barren Magazine*, among others. Her debut novel won an IPPY gold for Best Regional Fiction from the South and was long-listed for the Clara Johnson Award. She lives in Cambridge, MA with her husband and four children.



FICTION 9781958888223 • Pub Date: 8/27/24 US \$17.95 Trade Paper • 273 Pages 5.75" x 8.75" • E-book available

MARKETING PLANS

- Three-city tour in NC, pairing author with most prominent writers in the area
- Will pitch craft essays about looking back to the beginning of a writer's career
- Goodreads giveaway

Hello Down There

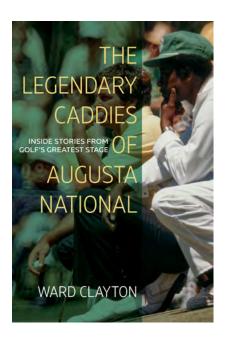
A Novel

MICHAEL PARKER

Haunted by a secret tragedy, Edwin, son of the richest family in a small Southern town, fights to overcome his addiction to morphine and face the truth that his parents have worked to obscure.

This timeless debut novel of master Southern storyteller Michael Parker takes readers to a small Southern town in the 1950s where Edwin Keane suffers from the lasting effects of a horrible accident—a broken back, a morphine addiction, and a town of enabling eccentrics. Redemption comes in the form of a young woman—the daughter of a poor farmer—and a couple of the town's most interesting outcasts. Parker is an amazing writer. His narrative style is both lyrical and economical, making this novel a true Southern gothic classic.

Michael Parker is the author of seven novels and three collections of stories. He has received four career-achievement awards: the Hobson Award for Arts and Letters, the North Carolina Award for Literature, the R. Hunt Parker Award, and the 2020 Thomas Wolfe Prize. The three-time winner of the O. Henry Prize, Parker has published short fiction and nonfiction in the Washington Post, the New York Times, Oxford American, Runner's World, Men's Journal, and others. He taught for twenty-seven years in the MFA Writing Program at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and since 2009 he has been on the faculty of the Warren Wilson Program for Writers. He lives in Durham, North Carolina.



NONFICTION/BIOGRAPHY/SPORTS
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US \$19.95 Trade Paper • 225 Pages
Illustrated: 20 B&W Photos • 6" x 9"
E-book available

MARKETING PLANS

- Outreach to key golf media outlets, including print, television, and radio
- Pitches to golf podcasts and social media
- Publication and outreach focused on Father's Day gift and as a gift for golfers at holidays

The Legendary Caddies of Augusta National

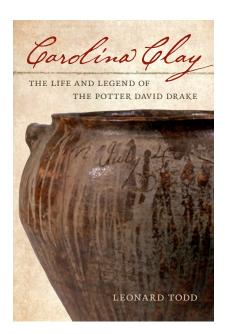
Inside Stories From Golf's Greatest Stage

WARD CLAYTON

Starting in the 1930s, the Black caddies of Augusta National walked the course with the world's greatest golfers. This book tells their stories, forever entwined with the history of the game.

They used nicknames like Stovepipe, Burnt Biscuits, Skillet, Skinny, and Marble Eye. They worked for presidents of the United States, captains of industry, and the greatest golfers in the world. Their real names were Carl Jackson, Willie Perteet, and Matthew Palmer—and they witnessed every great moment, both private and public, at Augusta National beginning in the 1930s—from Gene Sarazen's "shot heard 'round the world" to Jack Nicklaus winning a record five of his six Masters. Read why Nicklaus said he wouldn't trade caddie Willie "Pete" Peterson "for a million dollars" and what Willie "Cemetery" Perteet really thought of President Eisenhower's golf game. The Black caddies of Augusta National also endured, in their own ways, the racist social order of the sport and at the same time participated, albeit vicariously, in its many thrills. Ward Clayton documents their stories—history as compelling as the game of golf itself.

Ward Clayton has been in and around the game of golf since growing up blocks from Hillandale Golf Course, a public facility in Durham, North Carolina. He continued to pursue the game as a competitive amateur and newspaper writer. He was the sports editor of the *Augusta Chronicle* from 1991 to 2000 and was responsible for what *Golf World* magazine called "the best coverage of a golf tournament of any newspaper in the world." Ward has been the Director of Editorial Services for the PGA Tour, and his work has appeared in *Sports Illustrated*, *The First Call*, and elsewhere. He lives, writes, and plays golf in the Jacksonville, Florida, area.



ART/BIOGRAPHY
9781958888193 • Pub Date: 5/7/24
US \$24.95 Trade Paper • 336 Pages
Illustrated: 8 Color Photos/31 B&W Photos
6.4" x 9.6"

MARKETING PLANS

- Outreach to Blair's established gift market
- Outreach to museums, especially in the Southeast, to create events/lectures by book's author and/or other authorities on pottery
- Outreach to pottery centers nationally

Carolina Clay

The Life and Legend of the Potter David Drake

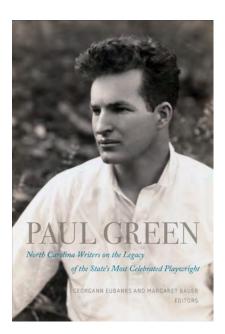
LEONARD TODD

The compelling story of a talented potter, enslaved by the author's ancestors, who became one of the singular artists of the nineteenth century.

He signed many of his works simply as "Dave" and is known today as Potter David Drake. He made pots and storage jars—everyday items, but because of their beauty and massive size, and because he signed and inscribed many with poems, they are valuable works of art, now commanding six figures at auction. Many of Dave's astounding jars are found now in America's finest museums.

There is no other enslaved artist on record who dared to put his name on his work, a dangerous advertisement of literacy. Fascinated by this man and by his own troubling family history, Leonard Todd moved from Manhattan to Edgefield, South Carolina, the place where his ancestors had established a thriving pottery industry in the early 1800s. Todd studied each of Dave's poems for biographical clues, which he pieced together with local records and family letters to create this moving and dramatic chronicle of Dave's life—a story of creative triumph in the midst of slavery.

Leonard Todd, the author of three previous books, has written for *Travel & Leisure* and *Cosmopolitan*, among other magazines. He is a graduate of the Yale School of Art and Architecture and works as a graphic designer. He lives in Edgefield, South Carolina.



BIOGRAPHY/AUTOBIOGRAPHY
9781958888230 • Pub Date: 7/9/24
US \$19.95 Trade Paper • 250 Pages
6" x 9" • E-book available

MARKETING PLANS

- Three-city tour feat. editors and contributors
- Editors are both prominent in NC writers circles, and an extensive write-up in NC literary journals is expected.
- Events at UNC Chapel Hill, where Green was a professor

Paul Green

North Carolina Writers on the Legacy of the State's Most Celebrated Playwright

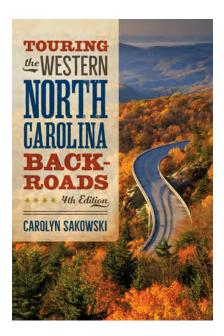
EDITED BY GEORGANN EUBANKS AND MARGARET BAUER

This anthology examines the life and selected works of North Carolina's most distinguished playwright of the 20th century, Paul Green (1894-1981).

Paul Green is best known for his outdoor historical dramas, which are still performed across the United States. However, he was not only a Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright, but was also an activist committed to human rights, racial equity, prison reform, and ending the death penalty. This anthology includes frank reflections from an award-winning array of contemporary North Carolina writers. Their essays about Green's work and relationships are meant to launch new conversations about a man who was seen as progressive, even radical, in his time. Included writers: Margaret Bauer, Jim Grimsley, Lynden Harris, Marjorie Hudson, Kathryn Hunter-Williams, Jill McCorkle, Ray Owen, Philip Shabazz, Mike Wiley, and others.

Georgann Eubanks is a writer, Emmy-winning documentarian, and popular speaker. She is the author of *Saving the Wild South*, *The Month of Their Ripening*, *Literary Trails of Eastern North Carolina*, *Literary Trails of the North Carolina Piedmont*, and *Literary Trails of the North Carolina Mountains*. She is Executive Director of the Paul Green Foundation and lives in Carrboro, NC.

Margaret D. Bauer is the Rives Chair of Southern Literature in the Department of English at East Carolina University, a Distinguished Professor of Harriot College of Arts and Science, and the editor of the *North Carolina Literary Review*. She is the recipient of the North Carolina Award for Literature, and the John Tyler Caldwell Award for the Humanities.



NONFICTION/TRAVEL
9781958888247 • Pub Date: 4/16/24
US \$22.95 Trade Paper • 320 Pages
Illustrated: 30 B&W Photos • 6" x 9"
E-book available

MARKETING PLANS

- Launch event in western NC
- Concentration on promotion to all outlets featuring Blair's Appalachian books

Carolyn Sakowski is a native of Morganton, North Carolina. She holds a B.A. in history from Queens University of Charlotte and an M.A. in history from Appalachian State University. She lives in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Her previous books include *Touring the East Tennessee Backroads* and *Travel North Carolina*.

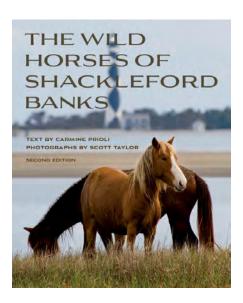
Touring the Western North Carolina Backroads

4th Edition

CAROLYN SAKOWSKI

Now in its fourth edition, Touring the Western North Carolina Backroads has long been the go-to guide for folks seeking the unspoiled landscape and little-known cultural attractions of western North Carolina.

This is a guide for those who want to travel the mountains of western North Carolina, who want to see the scenery but escape the crowds. The book's 21 tours cover the entire mountain region of western North Carolina and provide numerous opportunities for unspoiled landscapes and pastoral scenes. But scenery is not the only focus. Once you're on the backroads, you might speculate about the history behind the old white clapboard farmhouse that dominates the valley ahead, or you might wonder about the rest of the story behind the two sentences on the historical marker at the side of the road. Touring the Western North Carolina Backroads fills in those details. Drawing from local histories and early travel writings, each tour is designed to be a journey through the history of the area. Tales of eccentric characters, folklore that has been passed down through the ages, and stories about Native Americans and early white settlers combine to present a perspective that makes the scenery come alive. This features updated directions, additional sites, new photographs, and nearby recreational opportunities. Use this guidebook to plan a day trip, weekend getaway, or cycling adventure.



NATURE/PHOTOGRAPHY
9781958888254 • Pub Date: 5/14/24
US \$22.95 Trade Paper • 144 Pages
Illustrated: 50+ B&W Photos • 8.375" x 10.25"
E-book available • (Prev. ed ISBN: 9780895873347)

MARKETING PLANS

- Outreach to coastal gift accounts
- 5-city tour in NC and an event in conjunction with the Foundation for Shackleford Horses, Inc.

Carmine Prioli is a Professor Emeritus of English at North Carolina State University, where he taught American literature and folklore for 36 years. He won awards for outstanding teaching and extension service, and was a Faculty Scholar for the Park Scholarship Program's Class of 2008.

Scott Taylor is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He was a photographer for the Chapel Hill News and the Duke University Marine Laboratory before opening Scott Taylor Photography, along with his own gallery and studio, in Beaufort, North Carolina. Taylor chaired the photography program at Carteret Community College for 11 years before retiring in May 2023.

The Wild Horses of Shackleford Banks

2nd Edition

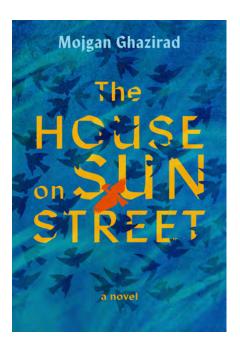
TEXT BY CARMINE PRIOLI PHOTOGRAPHS BY SCOTT TAYLOR

A comprehensive overview in words and photographs of the famous herd of wild horses protected on one of North Carolina's barrier islands.

There is an island at the remote southern end of North Carolina's Outer Banks where you might see wild horses playing in the surf, or grazing within view of the Cape Lookout Lighthouse, or scattering into a rare, weather-beaten maritime forest. The horse herd on Shackleford Banks has long been a subject of fascination. Today, it is both one of the wildest and most controlled animal populations on earth. An array of scientists sees to it that the horses are born, battle for social rank, forage for food, suffer the elements, and die without human interference.

The Wild Horses of Shackleford Banks is a comprehensive overview of the famous herd—its possible origins and development, its hardiness in the face of hurricanes, its complex relationship with humans, its hard-won protection within Cape Lookout National Seashore. The book's plentiful illustrations—both archival and contemporary—show why the Shackleford horses are so beloved among visitors to the Outer Banks.

*A portion of the proceeds from *The Wild Horses of Shackleford Banks* will be contributed to the Foundation for Shackleford Horses, Inc.



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MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reader copies
- Outreach to Iranian community in US
- Radio and podcast interviews on NPR and elsewhere
- SIBA and NAIBA conferences
- Goodreads giveaway
- Online and social media campaign centered on girls' education and girls' rights
- Outreach to book clubs and reading groups

Mojgan Ghazirad is a medical doctor and currently works as an assistant professor of pediatrics at The George Washington University. She holds an MFA in creative writing and has published three collections of short stories in Farsi. Her essays have appeared in Michigan Quarterly Review, Idaho Review, Longreads, The Common, Bombay Review, and Assignment. She lives with her family in Great Falls, Virginia.

The House on Sun Street

A Novel

MOJGAN GHAZIRAD

A young girl grows up in a family uprooted by the terror of an Islamic Revolution, where her culture, her gender, and her education are in peril.

For the curious and imaginative Moji, there is no better place to grow up than the lush garden of her grandparents in Tehran. However, as she sits with her sister underneath the grapevines, listening to their grandfather recount the enchanting stories of *One Thousand and One Nights*, revolution is brewing in her homeland. Soon, the last monarch of Iran will leave the country, and her home and her family will never be the same.

From Moji's house on Sun Street, readers experience the 1979 Iranian revolution through the eyes of a young girl and her family members during a time of concussive political and social change. Moji must endure the harrowing first days of the violent revolution, a fraught passage to the US where there is only hostility from her classmates during the Iranian hostage crisis, her father's detainment by the Islamic Revolutionary Army, and finally, the massive change in the status of women in post-revolution Iran.

Along with these seismic shifts, for Moji, there are also the universal perils of love, sexuality, and adolescence. However, since Moji's school is centered on political indoctrination, even a young girl's innocent crush can mean catastrophe. Is Moji able to pull through? Will her family come to her rescue? And just like Scheherazade, will the power of stories help her prevail?



FICTION
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5.5" x 7.5" • E-book available

MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reader copies
- Publication of stories in online journals such as LitHub
- SIBA and NAIBA conferences
- Greensboro Bound and other festivals
- Goodreads Giveaway
- Online and social media campaign
- Outreach to book clubs and reading groups, including book club guide
- Outreach to influencers in women's and mothers' influencer groups

Sex Romp Gone Wrong is Julia Ridley Smith's first story collection. Her first book, The Sum of Trifles, is a memoir published by the University of Georgia Press (2021) as a title in their Crux literary nonfiction series. Julia's short stories and essays have appeared in the Alaska Quarterly Review, American Literary Review, Arts and Letters, the Carolina Quarterly, Chelsea, Ecotone, Electric Literature, the Greensboro Review, the New England Review, Southern Cultures, and The Southern Review, among other places. Julia has taught creative writing at UNC Greensboro and at UNC Chapel Hill, where she was the Kenan Visiting Writer in 2021-2022.

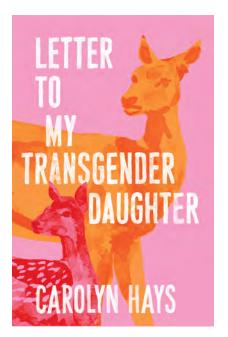
Sex Romp Gone Wrong

Stories

JULIA RIDLEY SMITH

In her debut story collection, Julia Ridley Smith navigates the currents and eddies of desire, sex, love, and relationships.

These ten highly accomplished stories are witty and accessible, intelligent and thought-provoking. A girls' week at the beach prompts hot tub drinking, awkward confessions, and a poignant reconsideration of friendship. A caregiver extracts a small repayment from her elderly patient for his long-forgotten role in the demise of her family. A young woman, new to New York City, finds herself in a complex but tacky love affair and reckons with the unfolding plot of her life. In the title story, a woman plots to conceive a second child while at a convention hotel with her husband and teenage daughter, both of whom have other plans. Smith's stories will beguile and delight readers while at the same time exploring the deep and often difficult ties of family, marriage, and romantic love in modern life.



BIOGRAPHY/AUTOBIOGRAPHY
9781958888094 • Pub Date: 10/31/23
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Letter to My Transgender Daughter

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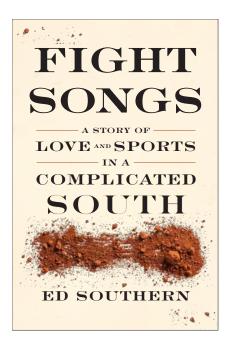
CAROLYN HAYS

A parent's love letter to a daughter who has always known exactly who she is.

One ordinary day, a caseworker from the Department of Children and Families knocked on the Hays family's door to investigate an anonymous complaint about the upbringing of their transgender child. It was this knock, this threat, that began the family's journey out of the Bible Belt but never far from the hate and fear resting at the nation's core.

Self-aware and intimate, Letter to My Transgender Daughter asks us all to love better, not just for the sake of Hays's child but for children everywhere enduring injustice and prejudice just as they begin to understand themselves. Letter to My Transgender Daughter is a call to action, an ode to community, a plea for empathy, a hope for a better future. It is a love letter to a child who has always known exactly who she is—and who is waiting for the rest of the world to catch up.

Carolyn Hays is an award-winning, critically acclaimed, bestselling author who has chosen to publish *Letter to My Transgender Daughter* under a pen name to protect the privacy of her family. Her novels have been published by Hachette, Simon and Schuster, and HarperCollins; her books are also widely translated. *Letter to My Transgender Daughter* has four overseas editions, including those by Picador UK and Flammarion in France. Her past books have been listed as *New York Times* Notable Books of the Year and Kirkus's Best Fiction of the Year, and she's written for National Public Radio and the *Washington Post*. www.carolynhays.com



SPORTS & RECREATION
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MARKETING PLANS

- Appearances on sports radio and podcasts
- Pitches to college sports media outlets
- Tie-in with college football season, particularly in NC and AL

Fight Songs

A Story of Love and Sports in a Complicated South

Now in Paperback

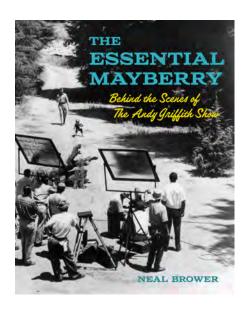
ED SOUTHERN

A wry and witty commentary on college sports and identity in the complicated social landscape of the South.

Ed Southern, lifelong fan of the Wake Forest University Demon Deacons, set out to tell the story of how he got tangled, in vines of history and happenstance, with the giants of his favorite sport: the Crimson Tide and the Clemson Tigers.

While he was writing that story, though, 2020 came along. Suddenly his questions had a new and urgent focus: Why do sports mean so much that so many will play and watch them in the face of a global pandemic? How have the South's histories shaped its fervor for college sports? Why has this fervor not led to a full embrace of racial equality? How have college sports shaped how southerners construct their identities, priorities, and allegiances—and how, in particular, do sports affect the southern white male identity?

Ed Southern is the author of *The Jamestown Adventure, Voices of the American Revolution in the Carolinas*, and the short-story collection *Parlous Angels*. His work has appeared in *South Writ Large*, the *Asheville Poetry Review, storySouth*, the NC 10x10 Play Festival, and elsewhere. Since 2008, he has been the executive director of the North Carolina Writers' Network. He lives in Winston-Salem.



PERFORMING ARTS
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MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reader copies
- SIBA and NAIBA appearances
- Author tour concentrated in Southeast and Missouri
- Goodreads giveaway
- Social media and online campaigns
- Outreach to book clubs and reading groups

Neal Brower has acquired a wealth of knowledge about *The Andy Griffith Show* from his years of correspondence and contact with the show's cast and crew members. He has taught *The Andy Griffith Show:* An In-depth Study at community colleges in North Carolina for many years. He lectures at the Andy Griffith Museum in Mt. Airy, NC, and at the annual Mayberry Days celebration.

The Essential Mayberry

Behind the Scenes of The Andy Griffith Show

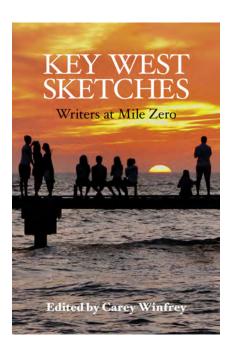
New, Updated and Expanded Edition

NEAL BROWER

An encyclopedic behind-the-scenes look for fans of *The Andy Griffith Show*.

In October 1960, The Andy Griffith Show began its eight-year reign as one of the top-ten television shows in the country. Now, more than 60 years later, the original 249 episodes still remain among the most frequently watched television shows—and its stars, Ron Howard, Don Knotts, Jim Nabors, and of course, Andy Griffith, live on in popular culture. Neal Brower, longtime superfan and show expert, has been writing and even teaching courses about The Andy Griffith Show for over thirty years. He has made it his mission to gather the lore about the show and especially about the writing and production of the scripts. Brower interviewed many of the show's writers including Harvey Bullock, Everett Greenbaum, Sam Bobrick, and their partners and collected his findings in his 2011 book, Mayberry 101. As Goober would say, "Well, golly!"

In this second edition of this iconic and popular book, now called *The Essential Mayberry: Behind the Scenes of* The Andy Griffith Show, Brower has added the scripts written by Jack Elinson and his writing partner Charles Stewart and the rewrites of producer and story consultant Aaron Ruben, as well as material from the annotated show scripts donated by Andy Griffith to UNC Libraries. "Shazam!" Fans of *The Andy Griffith Show* will receive a long-awaited and more complete picture of the classic television show and its creation.



TRAVEL/LITERARY COLLECTIONS/FICTION
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US \$27.95 Trade Paper • 350 Pages
6" x 9" • E-book and Hardcover available
ISBN 9781958888070. \$59.95

MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reader copies
- Key West launch event, outreach to Hemingway House and Key West Literary Seminar
- SIBA conferences
- Goodreads giveaway
- Social media campaign
- Tour of Florida bookstores
- Events with contributors

Key West Sketches

Writers at Mile Zero

EDITED BY CAREY WINFREY

An eclectic collection of writing by writers who lived, worked, and played in Key West, Florida.

Key West has long been America's most vibrant writers' colony, tracing its writerly roots to Ernest Hemingway, Tennessee Williams, Robert Frost, John Hersey, Richard Wilbur, James Merrill, and Elizabeth Bishop. More recently, Thomas McGuane, Robert Stone, Judy Blume, Robert Richardson, Ann Beattie, Philip Caputo, Alison Lurie, and Meg Cabot have added their luster to the island's literary heritage. This collection includes a treasure trove of more than seventy essays, reminiscences, musings, poems, and short stories related to Key West. It features the town's best-known writers: Stone, Lurie, Blume, Caputo, Cabot, McGuane, Beattie, Shames, Lee Smith, Frank Deford, Phyllis Rose, Glenn Frankel, Joy Williams, Edmund White, Barbara Ehrenreich, Billy Collins, and on and on.

Carey Winfrey is a veteran American journalist who has worked in a number of media outlets through his career including *Time*, the *New York Times*, WNET, and CBS Cable, among others. He was the founding editor of *Memories* magazine and the former editorin-chief of *Cuisine*, *American Health*, and *Smithsonian* magazines. He is a part-time resident of Key West.



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- Advance reader copies
- Winter Institute (Seattle)
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- 5+ cities tour: Washington DC, Baltimore, MD, Richmond, VA, Erie and Philadelphia, PA, Raleigh and Durham, NC
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American Ending

A Novel

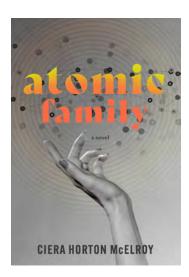
MARY KAY ZURAVLEFF

A woman growing up in a family of Russian immigrants in the 1910s seeks a thoroughly American life.

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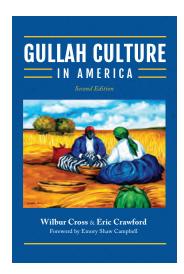
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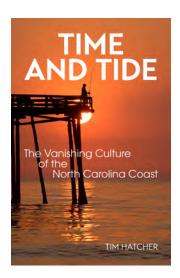


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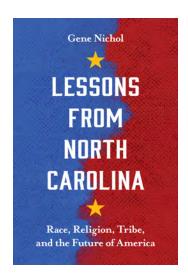
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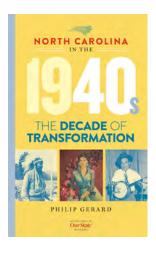
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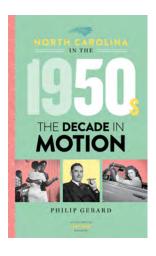
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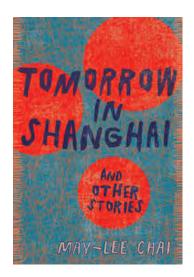
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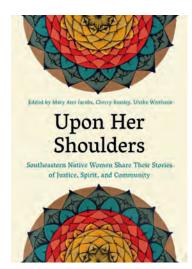


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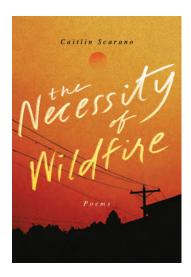


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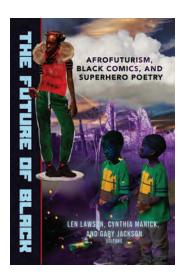
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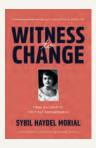


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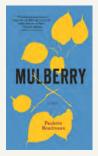
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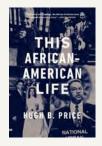
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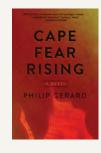


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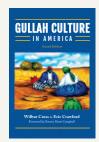
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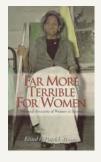


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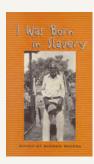
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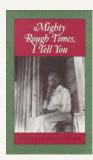
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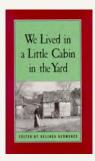
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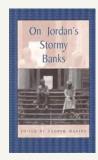
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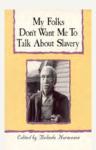
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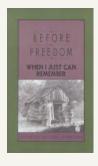
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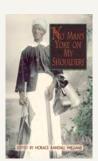
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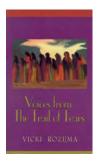
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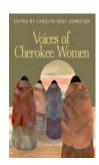
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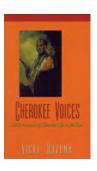
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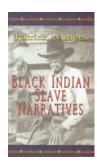
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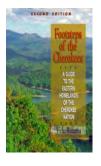
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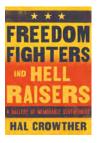
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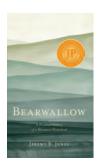
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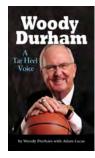
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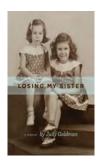
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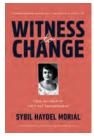
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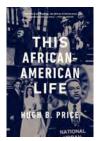
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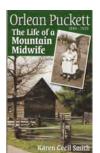
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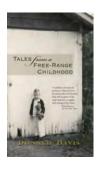
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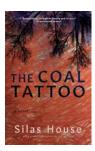
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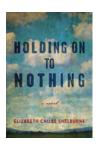
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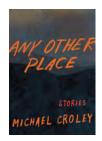
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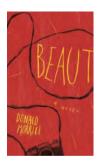
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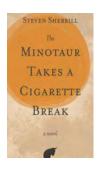


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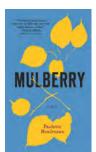
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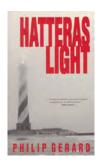


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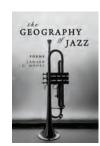
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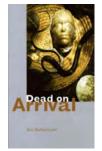
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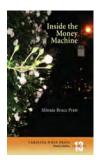
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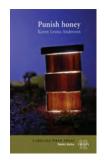
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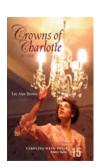
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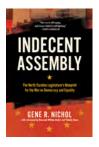
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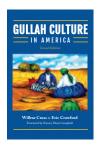
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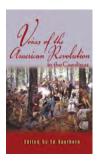


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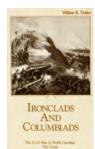
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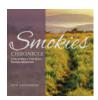
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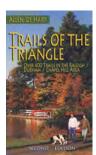
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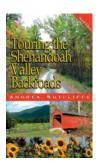
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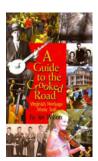
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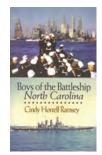


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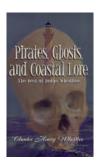
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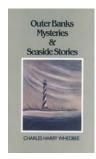
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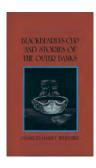
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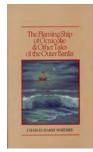
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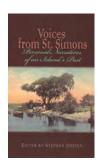
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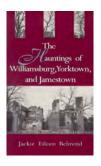


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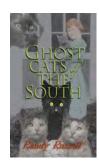
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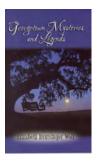
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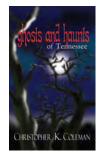
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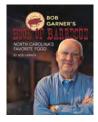
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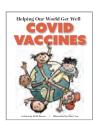


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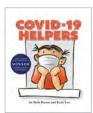
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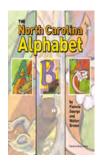
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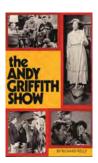
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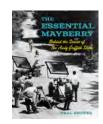
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North Carolina Alphabet Book, The	NC	46	
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North Carolina Ghost Lights and Legends	NC	43	
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North Carolina Waterfalls	NC	39	M
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Ocracoke in the Fifties	NC	42	С
Once in a Blue Moon	Fiction	32	
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Orlean Puckett	VA, NC	29	M
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Wild Geese Flying	NC	46	С
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