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The Sojourn

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national book award finalist chautauqua prize winner dayton literary peace prize winner some writers are good at drawing a literary curtain over reality and then there are writers who raise the veil and lead us to see for the first time krivak belongs to the latter the sojourn about a war and a family and coming of age does not present a single false moment of sentimental creation rather it looks deeply into its characters lives with wisdom and humanity and in doing so helps us experience a distant past that feels as if it could be our own national book award judges citation the sojourn is the story of jozef vinich who was uprooted from a 19th century mining town in colorado by a family tragedy and returns with his father to an impoverished shepherd s life in rural austria hungary when world war one comes jozef joins his adopted brother as a sharpshooter in the kaiser s army surviving a perilous trek across the frozen italian alps and capture by a victorious enemy a stirring tale of brotherhood coming of age and survival that was inspired by the author s own family history this novel evokes a time when czechs slovaks austria and germany fought on the same side while divided by language ethnicity and social class in the most brutal war to date it is also a poignant tale of fathers and sons addressing the great immigration to america and the desire to live the american dream amid the unfolding tragedy in europe andrew krivak is the author of three novels the bear the signal flame a chautauqua prize finalist and the sojourn a national book award finalist and winner of both the chautauqua prize and dayton literary peace prize he lives with his wife and three children in somerville massachusetts and jaffrey new hampshire

The Bear

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from national book award in fiction finalist andrew krivak comes a gorgeous fable of earth s last two human inhabitants and a girl s journey home in an Edenic future a girl and her father live close to the land in the shadow of a lone mountain they possess a few remnants of civilization some books a pane of glass a set of flint and steel a comb the father teaches the girl how to fish and hunt the secrets of the seasons and the stars he is preparing her for an adulthood in harmony with nature for they are the last of humankind but when the girl finds herself alone in an unknown landscape it is a bear that will lead her back home through a vast wilderness that offers the greatest lessons of all if she can only learn to listen a cautionary tale of human fragility of love and loss the bear is a stunning tribute to the beauty of nature s dominion andrew krivak is the author of two previous novels the signal flame a chautauqua prize finalist and the sojourn a national book award finalist and winner of both the chautauqua prize and dayton literary peace prize he lives with his wife and three children in somerville massachusetts and jaffrey new hampshire in the shadow of mount monadnock which inspired much of the landscape in the bear

Like the Appearance of Horses

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a novel of one family a century of war and the promise of homecoming from dayton literary peace prize winner and national book award finalist andrew krivak rooted in the small mountain town of dardan pennsylvania where patriarch جوزيف وينش settled after surviving world war i like the appearance of horses immerses us in the intimate lives of a family whose fierce bonds have been shaped by the great conflicts of the past century after بخت كوناير escapes fascist hungary and crosses the ocean to find جوزيف the man who saved his life in 1919 he falls in love with جوزيف's daughter hannah enlists in world war ii and is drawn into a personal war of revenge many years later their youngest son samuel is taken prisoner in vietnam and returns home with a heroin addiction and deep physical and psychological wounds as samuel travels his own path toward healing his son will graduate from annapolis as a marine on his way to iraq in spare breathtaking prose like the appearance of horses is the freestanding culminating novel in andrew krivak's award winning dardan trilogy which began with the sojourn and the signal flame it is a story about borders drawn within families as well as around nations and redrawn by ethnicity prejudice and war it is also a tender story of love and how it is tested by duty loyalty and honor

The Signal Flame

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the stunning second novel from national book award finalist andrew krivák an extraordinarily elegant writer with a deep awareness of the natural world the new york times book review tells the heartbreaking captivating story about a family awaiting the return of their youngest son from the vietnam war in a small town in northeastern pennsylvania hannah and her son bo mourn the loss of the family patriarch جوزيف they were three generations under one roof a war haunted family in a war torn century جوزيف was conscripted into the austro hungarian army in world war i his american born daughter's husband بخت an immigrant fights in world war ii returning to dardan pennsylvania only to be taken in a hunting accident on hannah's family's land finally hannah's younger son sam goes mia in vietnam and so there is only bo a quiet man full of sorrow and conviction and a firstborn's sense of duty he is left to grieve but also to hope for reunion to fall in love and create a new life to embrace the land and work its mountain soil the signal flame is a stirring exploration the second stand alone novel in a trilogy that began with the national book award finalist the sojourn of generations of men and the events that define them brothers who take different paths the old european values yielding to new world ways and the convalescence of memory and war beginning shortly after easter in 1972 and ending on christmas eve as the vietnam war winds down this ambitious novel honors the cycles of earth and body humming with blood and passion and it confirms as a writer of extraordinary vision and power andrew krivák's the signal flame is a complex and layered portrait of a time and place and a family shaped generation after generation by the memory of war the boston globe

Nabokov's Favorite Word Is Mauve

2017-03-14

data meets literature in this enlightening the wall street journal brilliant the boston globe nate silver esque o the oprah magazine look at what the numbers have to say about our favorite authors and their masterpieces there s a famous piece of writing advice offered by ernest hemingway stephen king and myriad writers in between not to use ly adverbs like quickly or angrily it sounds like solid advice but can we actually test it if we were to count all the ly adverbs these authors used in their careers do they follow their own advice what s more do great books in general the classics and the bestsellers share this trait in the age of big data we can answer questions like these in the blink of an eye in nabokov s favorite word is mauve a literary detective story fast paced thought provoking and intriguing brian christian coauthor of algorithms to live by statistician and journalist ben blatt explores the wealth of fun findings that can be discovered by using text and data analysis he assembles a database of thousands of books and hundreds of millions of words and then he asks the questions that have intrigued book lovers for generations what are our favorite authors favorite words do men and women write differently which bestselling writer uses the most clichés what makes a great opening sentence and which writerly advice is worth following or ignoring all of blatt s investigations and experiments are original conducted himself and no math knowledge is needed to enjoy the book on every page there are new and eye opening findings by the end you will have a newfound appreciation of your favorite authors and also come away with a fresh perspective on your own writing blatt s new book reveals surprising literary secrets entertainment weekly and casts an x ray through literature allowing us to see both the patterns that hold it together and the brilliant flourishes that allow it to spring to life

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covering everything from how to write the perfect query letter to deconstructing the terminology of a publishing contract this title brings the author s tutorials to the public

The Business of Writing

2012-10

there was more to world war i than the western front this history juxtaposes the experiences of a monarch and a peasant on the eastern front franz josef i emperor of austria hungary was the first european leader to declare war in 1914 and was the first to commence firing samuel mozolak was a slovak laborer who sailed to new york and fathered twins taken as babies and u s citizens to his home village before being drafted into the austro hungarian army and killed in combat the author interprets the views of the war of franz josef and his contemporaries kaiser wilhelm ii and tsar nicholas ii mozolak s story depicts the life of a peasant in an army staffed by aristocrats and also illustrates the pattern of east european immigration to america

The Emperor and the Peasant

2017-12-28

perseverance is much more important than talent because so many talented people fall by the wayside james michener the history of writing is full of authors striving to succeed in a hyper competitive publishing world contending with agents editors publishers critics and sometimes the greatest challenge of all overnight success for all of the extraordinary changes that have recently taken place however there are a few things that remain the same getting published still requires persistence preparation and smarts as well as an understanding of how the business works where it s been and where it s going an insider s guide to publishing pulls back the industry curtain for millions of published and aspiring authors revealing hemingway s famous feuds poe s raving madness capote s vengeful wit and much more with clever insights and dark humor to spare david comfort a thirty year veteran of the publishing trenches explores the achievements and faults of literary masters and editorial workaholics to show readers how they too can use their creativity and composure to overcome publishing pitfalls work with agents editors publishers and critics like a pro deal with rejection and success while avoiding the madhouse navigate the pros and cons of both traditional and self publishing an insider s guide to publishing shares the wicked wit and wisdom of some of the craziest and most ambitious authors and editors of all time proving that even the talented need luck pluck persistence and the inside scoop on this rapidly changing industry in order to succeed

An Insider's Guide to Publishing

2013-11-14

fifteen year old justin lyle does not see in himself the qualities he admires in heroes like his paternal grandfather awarded a medal of honor during world war ii or in the fictional heroes of television and comic books growing up in the declining manufacturing town of east liberty new york beset by unemployment rising crime and an influx of drugs and encircled by struggling dairy farms justin feels isolated and decidedly unheroic these feelings are intensified by his parents divorce his longing for an unattainable girl and the death eight years previous but still a potent memory of his infant brother when justin steps over the line one afternoon attempting to help the drug addled girlfriend of an unstable bully he triggers a series of increasingly perilous encounters by week s end justin has been drawn into his community s sinister underworld and compelled to unexpected action and a fresh understanding of the complexities of heroism the author of boys stories and a novella lloyd again illustrates his pitch perfect ear for capturing the detached vernacular and emotional angst of adolescence lloyd brings to life the trials of a small upstate new york town creating a story that is as real as it is fictional

Over the Line

2013-07-16

it s the rule always watch your fives and twenty fives when a convoy halts to investigate a possible roadside bomb stay in the vehicle and scan five meters in every direction a bomb inside five meters cuts through the armor killing everyone in the truck once clear get out and sweep twenty five meters a bomb inside twenty five meters kills the dismounted scouts investigating the road ahead fives and twenty fives mark the measure of a marine s life in the road repair platoon dispatched to fill potholes on the highways of iraq the platoon works to assure safe passage for citizens and military personnel their mission lacks the glory of the infantry but in a war where every pothole contains a hidden bomb road repair brings its own danger lieutenant donavan leads the platoon painfully aware of his shortcomings and isolated by his rank doc pleasant the medic joined for opportunity but finds his pride undone as he watches friends die and there s kateb known to the americans as dodge an iraqi interpreter whose love of american culture from hip hop to the dog eared copy of huck finn he carries is matched only by his disdain for what americans are doing to his country returning home they exchange one set of decisions and repercussions for another struggling to find a place in a world that no longer knows them a debut both transcendent and rooted in the flesh fives and twenty fives is a deeply necessary novel

Fives and Twenty-Fives

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until 1955 cia analyst henry march was just another faceless company man but after his partner betrays him henry and his family are relocated to san francisco where he is forced to oversee a series of insidious mind control experiments each day that henry spends supervising the hapless men lured into his facility with no idea of what they re about to endure weighs on him until his identity frays there comes a point when he can no longer separate himself as the company man from the family man thus he makes a decision to vanish into the night abandoning his family forever two decades later dickie ashby a young cia investigator is sent to los angeles to infiltrate a group of bank robbing radicals claiming to have been abused by a government brainwashing operation which sounds a lot like henry s project while the members of the group cannot trust their memories they know that they need to find henry march and the only bridge to henry is hannah henry s once precocious sensitive daughter who now owns a photography gallery in the city dickie finds himself dragged into the stunning legacy of the experiments torn between doing his job helping these people he is tempted to believe and protecting hannah from all of them including himself

Britannica Book of the Year

2012

18th edition of the Britannica Book of the Year provides a valuable viewpoint of the people and events that shaped the year and serves as a great reference source for the latest news on the ever changing populations governments and economies throughout the world it is an accurate and comprehensive reference that you will reach for again and again

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Britannica Book of the Year 2012

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William Carlos Williams: A Collection of Letters to Edgar Irving Williams, 1902-1912

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from 1902 to 1912 william carlos williams wrote more than 300 letters to his younger brother edgar an architect with whom he shared the desire to become a great artist this collection of 200 letters sheds light on the aesthetic thoughts and practices with which williams was engaged before his unique voice emerged in the wanderer

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the transnational modernist mina loy 1882 1966 embodied the avant garde in many literary and artistic media this book positions her as a theorist of the avant garde and of what it means to be an artist foregrounding loy s critical interrogation of futurist dadaist surrealist and degenerate artishood and exploring her poetic legacies today curious disciplines reveals loy s importance in an entirely novel way examining the primary texts produced by those movements themselves their manifestos magazines pamphlets catalogues and speeches sarah hayden uses close readings of loy s poetry prose polemics and unpublished writings to trace her response to how these movements wrote themselves collectively into being

The Letters of William Carlos Williams to Edgar Irving Williams, 1902-1912

2009

20th-century American literature: William Carlos Williams. Letters to Edgar Irving Williams, 1902-1912. Part 1, Part 2, Part 3.

Curious Disciplines

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Curious Disciplines: Mina Loy. Sarah Hayden. This book examines the work of Mina Loy, a transnational modernist, and her engagement with avant-garde movements.

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