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**FICTION / POETRY**

It is how the world ends, with no one left to blame. But the innocent are also spared from relentless hate, hating and being hated. You choose the pace you want to run. You know that the hurtful things are better left unsaid. And though the silence is inescapable, you can still keep your head held high. Sometimes, it helps to be courageous. And yet, sometimes, it is better not to ask questions. It is better to keep silent and trust in the wisdom of others. 

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**NEW & REVIEWED**

- **“The Exceptions”** by David Cristolano (Grand Central Publishing, 224 pages, $28.99, audio edition). The author is known for his novel “The Son of Transit.” The book is set in a world where the police have no powers of arrest, and citizens are free to commit any crime they wish. The novel explores the consequences of living in a world without law and order. 

- **The Tortured Face of an Exile**

  "I imagine that people might rise up, as they do, from the ashes of their lives, from the ashes of their libraries, from the ashes of their books. And maybe, just maybe, I imagine that people might rise up, as they do, from the ashes of their lives, from the ashes of their libraries, from the ashes of their books."

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**BEST SELLERS**

- **Fiction**
  - "The Power of Habit: Why We Do What We Do, and How to Change It" by Charles Duhigg (Random House, 2014)

- **Nonfiction**
  - "The 22 Immutable Laws of Marketing" by Jay Conrad Levinson (Que, 1985)
  - "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People" by Stephen R. Covey (HarperCollins, 1989)

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**AUTHOR TALK**

"What We Talk About When We Talk About Love" by Alice A. Wong (Harper, 2019)

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**BOOKS**

- **Books for Summer**
  - "The Summer of the Swallows" by John Byrd (Tandem, 2015)
  - "The Sun Also Rises" by Ernest Hemingway (Harper, 1926)
  - "The Great Gatsby" by F. Scott Fitzgerald (Little, Brown, 1925)

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**NONFICTION**

- "The Amateur" by Edward Klein (Knopf, 2018)
  - "The Final Solution" by David Grann (Doubleday, 2014)
  - "The Good Lie" by Jonathan Shapiro (PublicAffairs, 2018)

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**REVIEWS**

- "Shadow of Night" by Deborah Harkness (Penguin, 2011)
  - "The Vicious Deep" by Zoraida Serrano (Simon & Schuster, 2017)
  - "Dreamtime" by Josephine Parnell (St. Martin’s Press, 2019)

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**POETRY**

- "Rebel Fire" by Andrew Lane (Thor Books, 2021)
  - "Dreamtime" by Josephine Parnell (St. Martin’s Press, 2019)
  - "How Should a Person Be?" by Mark Doty (Graywolf Press, 2018)

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**THE WICHITA EAGLE**

- "How: Why How We Do Anything" by Robert Cook (W. W. Norton, 2019)
  - "The Amateur" by Edward Klein (Knopf, 2018)
  - "Dreamtime" by Josephine Parnell (St. Martin’s Press, 2019)

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**BOOK REVIEW**

- "Bitterblue" by Anne Rice (Dial, 2014)
  - "Shadow of Night" by Deborah Harkness (Penguin, 2011)
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**Mahrdomh Dowlatshahi has revolutionized the dictum of Iranian fiction.**

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**MORE ON WICHITA.KANSAS.COM**

- "Summer Books for Teens and Tweens" by Alex Krynicki (Wichita Eagle, 2019)
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