

Book Vault News February 2023

While February may be the shortest month of the year, it holds the distinction of being Chocolate Lover's Month and includes Valentine's Day. We can help you find many wonderful items to truly satisfy both topics!

Here are a few ideas to spark your imagination, whether something chocolate, something for your Valentine(s), or something just for you:

- The [*Smitten Kitchen Keepers: New Classics for Your Forever Files: A Cookbook*](#) - has many great recipes, including one for Chocolate Peanut Butter Cup Cookies – yum!
- [*The Marriage Portrait*](#) - by author Maggie O'Farrell will draw you into the Italian Renaissance era and the engrossing story of a duke and duchess, and includes a surprising twist.
- Cozy up with your favorite blanket, a book, and a warm cup of **LiteraTea**. Pride and Prejudice chamomile or Anne of Green Gables green rooibos tea perhaps?

We would love to have you visit and spend time browsing our great selection of items to spark your own imagination – who knows what you might come up with! Need some suggestions? Talk with any of our team members, they are truly a wealth of information and can help you put together something you or your Valentine(s) will treasure.

Book Vault Team

Visit our Website

Book Vault Book Clubs

Non-Fiction Book Club
(Meet first Friday of each month)

Friday, February 3

Noon

[*A Distant Mirror: The Calamitous 14th Century*](#) by Barbara Tuchman

Part 1

Mammothly Curious Book Club

Tuesday, February 7

5:30 PM

[*Those Who Run in the Sky*](#) by Aviaq Johnston

Young Professionals Book Club

Wednesday, February 8

6:00 PM

[*Small Angels*](#) by Lauren Owen

Tuesday Evening Book Club

(Meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month)

Tuesday, February 21

5 PM

[*The World Played Chess*](#) by Robert Dugoni

Lunch Bunch Book Club

(Meet the 4th Friday of the month at 11 AM)

Thursday, February 26

11:00 AM

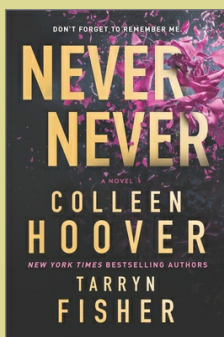
[*The Ride of Her Life*](#) by Elizabeth Letts

Book Vault Book Clubs are open to all. Members receive a 15% discount on book club titles. Call us for more information!

February Events at Book Vault

- **Book Vault will be CLOSED for inventory Saturday, February 25 and Sunday, February 26**
- **There will be no Yoga classes in February**

New Releases February 2023



Charlie Wynwood and Silas Nash have been best friends



2017: When Angela Creighton discovers a



Liu is struggling. She

Frida

since they could walk. They've been in love since the age of fourteen. But as of this morning...they are complete strangers. Their first kiss, their first fight, the moment they fell in love...every memory has vanished. Now Charlie and Silas must work together to uncover the truth about what happened to them and why.

But the more they learn about the couple they used to be...the more they question why they were ever together to begin with. Forgetting is terrifying, but remembering may be worse.

Heart-stopping and utterly captivating, the complete *Never* series, now available in one volume, will leave readers breathless and believing in the power of love.

Canary Street Press
February 28, 2023

mysterious letter containing a life-shattering confession, she is determined to find the intended recipient. Her search takes her back to the 1970s when a group of daring women operated an illegal underground abortion network in Toronto known only by its whispered code name: *Jane*.

1971: As a teenager, Dr. Evelyn Taylor was sent to a home for “fallen” women where she was forced to give up her baby for adoption—a trauma she has never recovered from. Despite harrowing police raids and the constant threat of arrest, she joins the Jane Network as an abortion provider, determined to give other women the choice she never had.

1980: After discovering a shocking secret about her family, twenty-year-old Nancy Mitchell begins to question everything she has ever known. When she unexpectedly becomes pregnant, she feels like she has no one to turn to for help. Grappling with her decision, she locates “Jane” and finds a place of her own alongside Dr. Taylor within the network’s ranks, but she can never escape the lies that haunt her.

Atria Books
February 7, 2023

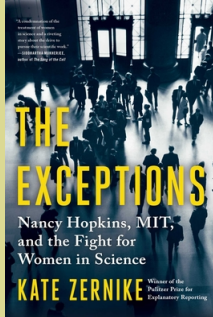
doesn't have a career worthy of her Chinese immigrant parents' sacrifices. She can't persuade her husband, Gust, to give up his wellness-obsessed younger mistress. Only with Harriet, their cherubic daughter, does Frida finally attain the perfection expected of her. Harriet may be all she has, but she is just enough.

Until Frida has a very bad day.

The state has its eye on mothers like Frida. The ones who check their phones, letting their children get injured on the playground; who let their children walk home alone. Because of one moment of poor judgement, a host of government officials will now determine if Frida is a candidate for a Big Brother-like institution that measures the success or failure of a mother's devotion.

Faced with the possibility of losing Harriet, Frida must prove that a bad mother can be redeemed. That she can learn to be good.

An “intense” (*Oprah Daily*), “captivating” (*Today*) page-turner that is also a transgressive novel of ideas about the perils of “perfect” upper-middle class parenting; the violence enacted upon women by both the state and, at times, one another; the systems that separate families; and the boundlessness of love, *The School for Good Mothers* introduces, in Frida, an everywoman for the ages. Using dark wit to explore the pains and joys of the deepest ties that bind us, Chan has written a modern literary classic. Simon and Shuster
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In 1999, the

Massachusetts Institute of Technology admitted to discriminating against women on its faculty, forcing institutions across the country to confront a problem they had long ignored: the need for more women at the top levels of science. Written by the journalist who broke the story for *The Boston Globe*, *The Exceptions* is the untold story of how sixteen highly accomplished women on the MIT faculty came together to do the work that triggered the historic admission.

The Exceptions centers on the life of Nancy Hopkins, a reluctant feminist who became the leader of the sixteen and a hero to two generations of women in science. Hired to prestigious universities at the dawn of affirmative action efforts in the 1970s, Dr. Hopkins and her peers embarked on their careers believing that discrimination against women was a thing of the past—that science was, at last, a pure meritocracy. For years they explained away the discrimination they experienced as the exception, not the rule. Only when these few women came together after decades of underpayment and the denial of credit, advancement, and equal resources to do their work did they recognize the relentless pattern: women were often marginalized and minimized, especially as they grew older. Meanwhile, men of similar or lesser ability had their career paths paved and widened.



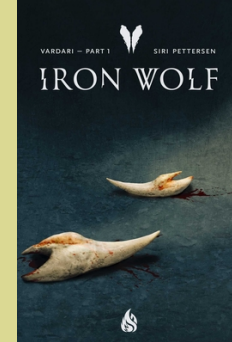
Oksana Masters was born

in Ukraine—in the shadow of Chernobyl—seemingly with the world against her. She was born with one kidney, a partial stomach, six toes on each foot, webbed fingers, no right bicep, and no thumbs. Her left leg was six inches shorter than her right, and she was missing both tibias.

Relinquished to the orphanage system by birth parents daunted by the staggering cost of what would be their child's medical care, Oksana encountered numerous abuses, some horrifying. Salvation came at age seven when Gay Masters, an unmarried American professor who saw a photo of the little girl and became haunted by her eyes, waged a two-year war against stubborn adoption authorities to rescue Oksana from her circumstances.

In America, Oksana endured years of operations that included a double leg amputation. Still, how could she hope to fit in when there were so many things making her different?

As it turned out, she would do much more than fit in. Determined to prove herself and fueled by a drive to succeed that still smoldered from childhood, Oksana triumphed in not just one sport but four—winning against the world's best in elite rowing, biathlon, cross-country skiing, and road cycling competitions. Now considered one of the



A new series from the

author of The Raven Rings trilogy - Siri Pettersen!

Juva knows all about blood readers. Praised for their Sight, they are nothing but swindlers, preying on people's fears for power and profit. Born by blood readers herself, she knows only too well, and she has vowed never to become one of them.

But when her family is threatened by vardari, the eerie lasting ones, who never age, Juva is entangled in a desperate hunt for the blood readers' legacy: a dark secret that once changed the world, and may do so again.

In order to survive, she has to confront the terrifying childhood memory she fought to forget.

Iron Wolf is a new spellbinding fantasy mystery from Siri Pettersen, built on a Norse foundation, about blood, desire and addiction. It's the first book in the trilogy VARDARI, an independent series set in the universe of the award-winning fantasy phenomenon THE RAVEN RINGS.

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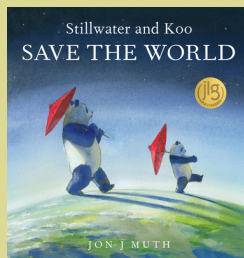
The Exceptions is a powerful yet all-too-familiar story that will resonate with all professional women who experience what those at MIT called “21st-century discrimination”—a subtle and stubborn bias, often unconscious but still damaging. As in bestsellers from *Hidden Figures* to *Lab Girl* and *Code Girls*, we are offered a rare glimpse into the world of high-level scientific research and learn about the extraordinary female scientists whose work has been overlooked throughout history, and how these women courageously fought for fair treatment as they struggled to achieve the recognition they rightfully deserve.

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world’s top athletes, she is the recipient of seventeen Paralympic medals, the most of any US athlete of the Winter Games, Paralympic *or* Olympic.

This is Oksana’s astonishing story of journeying through a series of dark tunnels—and how, with her mother’s love, she finally found her way into the light. Her message to anyone who doesn’t fit in: you can find a place where you excel—where you have worth.

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Today feels full of opportunities! “What would you like to do?” Stillwater asks Koo. “Something important! Fix all the things that are wrong! Let us save the world,” says Koo (who always speaks in haiku). But this is a very big idea for a little panda. During the course of the day, Koo discovers that it’s the little acts of kindness that all add up to help make the world a better place. In a story brimming with love and light, Jon J Muth shows how we can all heal the world a little bit at a time — just the right message for now, and for always! Scholastic Press February 7, 2023



Good friends stick together in fun times and hard times. *When a Friend Needs a Friend* is a gift for friends of all ages. Aya and Oskar love to go on big adventures, build amazing creations, and make up stories together. But when Oskar gets sad, his feelings grow so big he doesn’t want to play. And that leaves Aya feeling hurt and confused. How can she help when she doesn’t know what Oskar needs? With candor and compassion, this heartfelt story shows that big feelings are a normal part of life — something to be felt rather than fixed — and models how to be an ally when someone you love is hurting.



When seventeen-year-old Eliza Lin’s essay about meeting the love of her life unexpectedly goes viral, her entire life changes overnight. Now she has the approval of her classmates at her new international school in Beijing, a career-launching internship opportunity at her favorite magazine...and a *massive* secret to keep. Eliza made her essay up. She’s never been in a relationship before, let alone in love. All good writing is lying, right? Desperate to hide the truth, Eliza strikes a deal with the famous actor in her class, the charming but aloof Caz Song. She’ll

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help him write his college applications if he poses as her boyfriend. Caz is a dream boyfriend -- he passes handwritten notes to her in class, makes her little sister laugh, and takes her out on motorcycle rides to the best snack stalls around the city.

But when her relationship with Caz starts feeling a little *too* convincing, all of Eliza's carefully laid plans are threatened. Can she still follow her dreams if it means breaking her own heart?Scholastic Press
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