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**A Wealth of Pigeons: A Carson Collection**
By Steve Martin, Harry Bliss (Illus.)

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In this box set of nine, all of which were written and performed by Steve Martin and Harry Bliss, you'll find comedians at their best. This box set is a must-have for any fan of Martin and Bliss's unique brand of humor.

**The Burning God (The Poppy War #3)**
By Katherine Mayer

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**How to Fail at Flirting: A Novel**
By Domenica Williams

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A sweet, charming, and emotional story of four different women teaches about the power of love and family, and you will become fully invested in their stories. I just loved the wisdom of Aunt Poppy, the beautiful illustrations, and the captivating characters. This is a must-read for anyone looking for a heartwarming and inspiring read.

—Ava Tusek, Second Star to the Right, Denver, CO

**The Star-Crossed Sisters of Tuscany: A Novel**
By Michelle Gallen

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Three second-born daughters take a life-changing trip to Italy to break the family curse of doomed second-born daughters in their family. A touching story of relationships and the importance of the connections we make with others.

—Lauri Smedsgaard, Scholar Books, Grand Rapids, MI

**How to Catch a Queen: Runaway Royals**
By Homeira Qaderi

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Dancing in the Mosque: An Afghan Woman’s Journey to Freedom
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An affecting, multigenerational coming-of-age story of a young Syrian American artist’s discovery of art and the truth behind her mother’s mysterious past. Featuring alternating between the arctic journey and a riveting courtroom drama, this novel explores the reality of life in New York City, the epicenter of the immigrant, working class, and LGBT underground of New York. A book with a heart, this novel is a must-read.

—Kane Stetforth, Bookmarks, Walton-Sac, NE

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**Oak Flat: A Fight for Sacred Land in the American West**
By Lauren Redwood

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Oak Flats is a moving and thought-provoking book about the fight to save a sacred landscape. Lauren Redwood tells the tale of the struggle to preserve a sacred landscape and the Apache people from a copper mining project that would destroy it. Her rich illustrations and careful curating of voices convey the high stakes while honoring the dignity of the people on both sides, and the dignity of the natural world. This book is an astonishing achievement.

—Keith Morheim, Powell’s Books, Portland, OR

**Earthkeeper: A Novel**
By Alyssa Cole

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In a tale when black kings and queens are a much more real thing to a loving Watches of anti-black sentiment, all love in love with Shani and Sanyo. Begged down by tradition, love, and grief, Sanyo is trapped in a web of narratives. Expectations. Shani, a queen searching for her king, is the self-assured heroine we all look for and want.

—Cristina Eaton, Three Sisters Books & Gifts, Shelburne, IN

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—Allie Blake, BookPeople, Austin, TX

**The Orchard: A Novel**
By David Hopen

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Pamela Klinger-Horn, Excelsior Bay Books, Excelsior, MN

Most anyone who grows up in a suburb knows these neighborhoods are not always what they purport to be. Simon Han, in his dazzling debut, blows the curtains wide open on the actual lives a onetime model home owner behind them. Deftly shifting time frames and points of view, he gives a piercing, funny, and deeply moving account of a Chinese family’s struggle to settle into the lives they think they should bring. It’s a coming of age for all of them, teach us about our own way and time. Far from nothing happening, so much more.

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**The Arctic Fury: A Novel**
By Great Macalister

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Great Macalister has a proven track record for writing excellent historical fiction. The Arctic Fury is a fascinating look at the incredible journey of the 26 young women who were recruited into the Canadian Women’s Army Corps during World War II. Macalister’s novel combines cartoon illustrations with prose to create a gripping and moving account of these heroes.

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