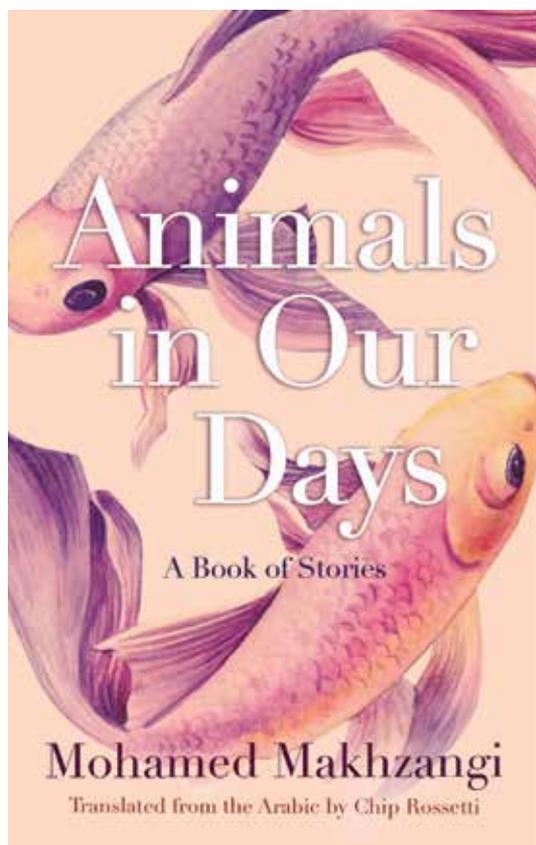




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Originally published in 2006, Makhzangi’s stories are part of a long tradition of writings on animals in Arabic literature. In this collection, animals offer a mute testament to the brutality and callousness of humanity, particularly when modernity sunders humans from the natural environment. Makhzangi is one of Egypt’s most perceptive and nuanced authors, merging a writer’s empathy with a scientist’s curiosity about the world.

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**Mohamed Makhzangi** was born in Egypt and lives in Cairo. He practiced as a doctor for twelve years before turning to journalism and science writing, working in Kuwait on *al-Arabi* magazine. He has published several volumes of short stories, and translations of his work have appeared in five languages. In 1992, he won Egypt's Best Short Story Collection Award.



**Chip Rossetti** is the editorial director of the Library of Arabic Literature at New York University Press. His translations include Ahmed Khaled Towfik's *Utopia* and Sonallah Ibrahim's *Beirut, Beirut*.

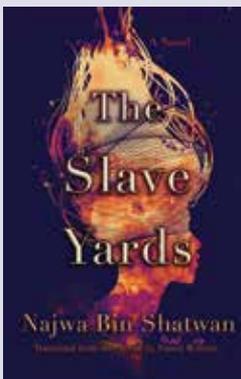
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“I couldn’t wait when I heard what they were saying about the nocturnal apparition of those rabbits in our city’s old square, now that the main electrical generator had burned down and a pitch-black darkness had descended over the square and its surroundings. It looked as though it would stay that way for several days, until the generator could be repaired. I rode the last express train heading into the city so I could get there by twilight. The rabbits were said to make their strange appearance after midnight, and to vanish completely with the first glimmers of dawn. Dozens, hundreds—some went so far as to claim thousands—of white, dazzlingly white, rabbits would pour out under cover of darkness onto the wide old city square, when it was empty of people. They emerged from somewhere unknown and spread out without making a sound. They moved effortlessly with delicately trembling heads, their long ears slowly swaying, and their mouths continuously nibbling on invisible grass, as if the dusty asphalt of the square had been turned into a giant pasture with plenty to eat.”

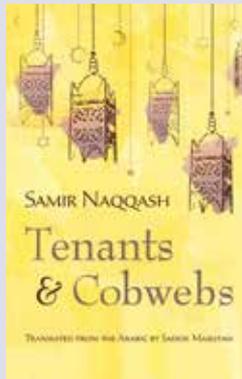
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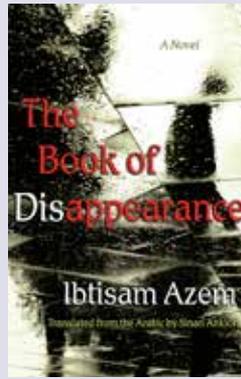
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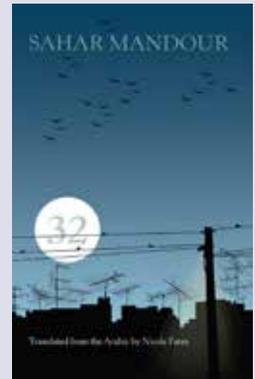
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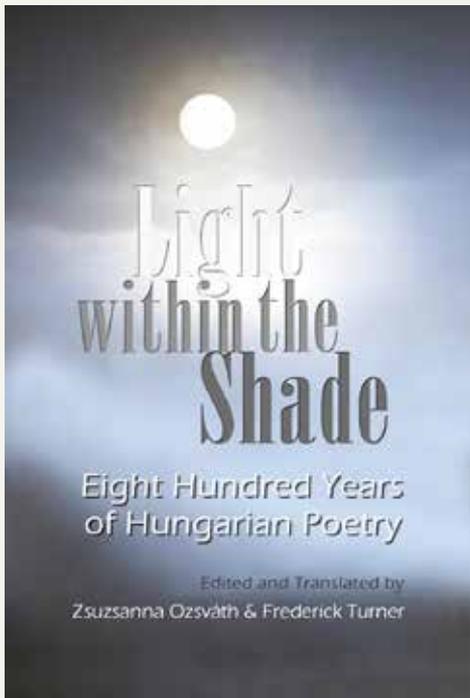


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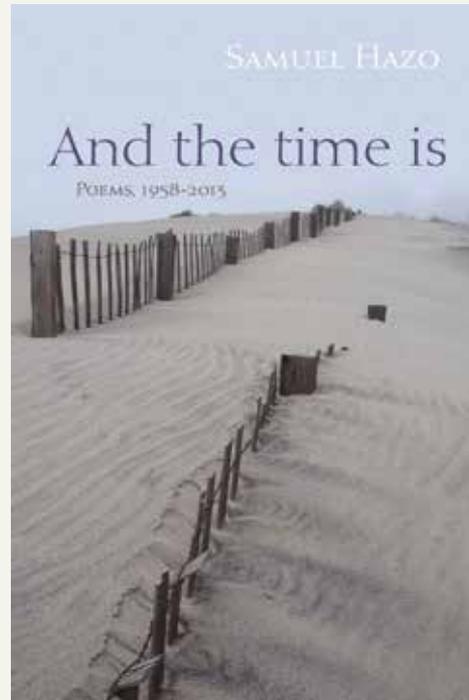
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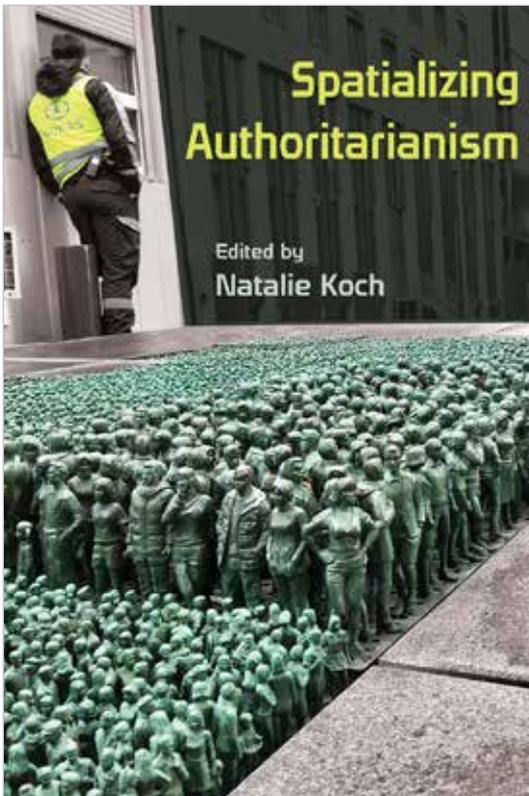
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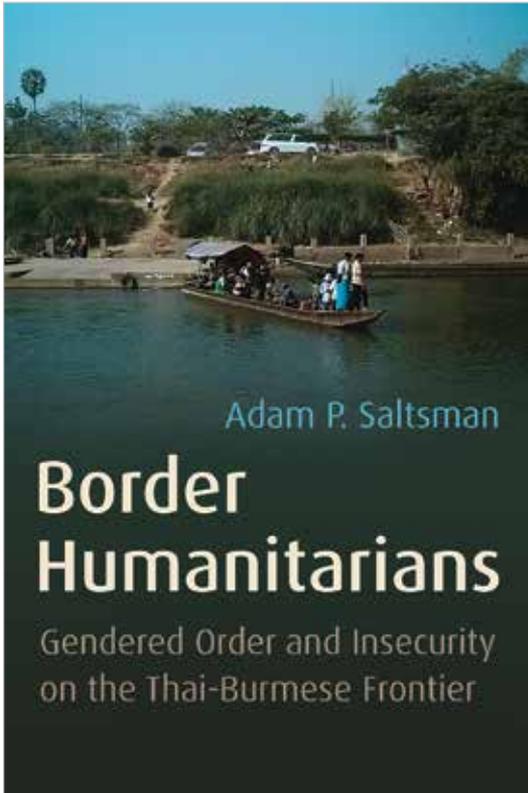
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Authoritarianism has emerged as a prominent theme in popular and academic discussions of politics since the 2016 US presidential election and the coinciding expansion of authoritarian rhetoric and ideals across Europe, Asia, and beyond. Until recently, however, academic geographers have not focused squarely on the concept of authoritarianism. Its longstanding absence from the field is noteworthy as geographers have made extensive contributions to theorizing structural inequalities, injustice, and other expressions of oppressive or illiberal power relations and their diverse spatialities. Identifying this void, *Spatializing Authoritarianism* builds upon recent research to show that even when conceptualized as a set of practices rather than as a simple territorial label, authoritarianism has a spatiality: both drawing from and producing political space and scale in many often surprising ways. This volume advances the argument that authoritarianism must be investigated by accounting for the many scales at which it is produced, enacted, and imagined.

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**Natalie Koch** is associate professor in the Department of Geography and the Environment at the Maxwell School of Citizenship & Public Affairs, Syracuse University.



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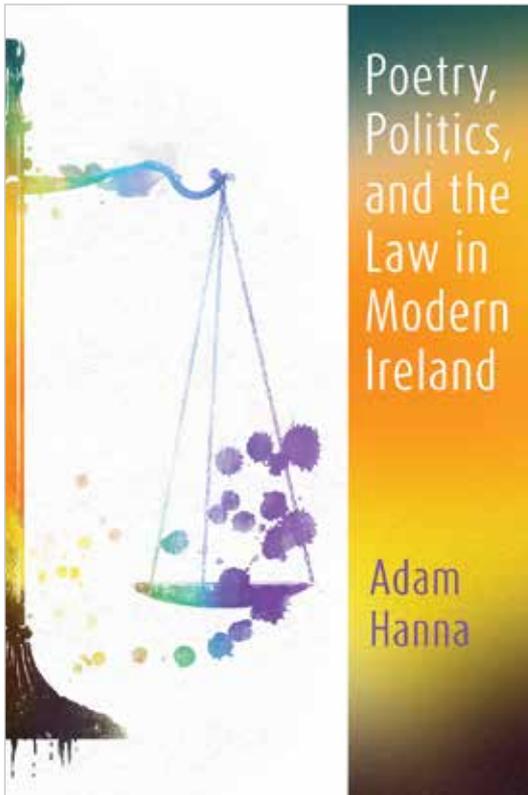
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In rich ethnographic detail, *Border Humanitarians* explores the narratives of Burmese activists in exile who rely on transnational political and social networks to respond to gender violence among the hundreds of thousands of migrants living and working precariously on the Thai border with Myanmar. The activists this book follows must navigate a multiplicity of representations; they are simultaneously “illegal” in Thailand, underpaid feminized laborers in a global garment supply chain, and targets of global North humanitarian intervention with funding to “rescue” and “empower” them. Looking at how these multiple roles overlap, Saltsman asks how state border enforcement regimes, global humanitarianism, and neoliberal capitalist trajectories produce varied sets of constraints and opportunities in migrants’ lives. Here, like in many spaces that are simultaneously zones of refuge and hubs for flexible labor, the borderlands are both a site of dispossession for migrants as well as a resource for collective agency. As Saltsman details, gender itself emerges as an important tool for migrants and aid workers alike to navigate insecurity and assert varying ways of making order amidst the upheaval of displacement and ongoing exclusion.

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**Adam P. Saltsman** is assistant professor of urban studies and director of the Urban Action Institute at Worcester State University.



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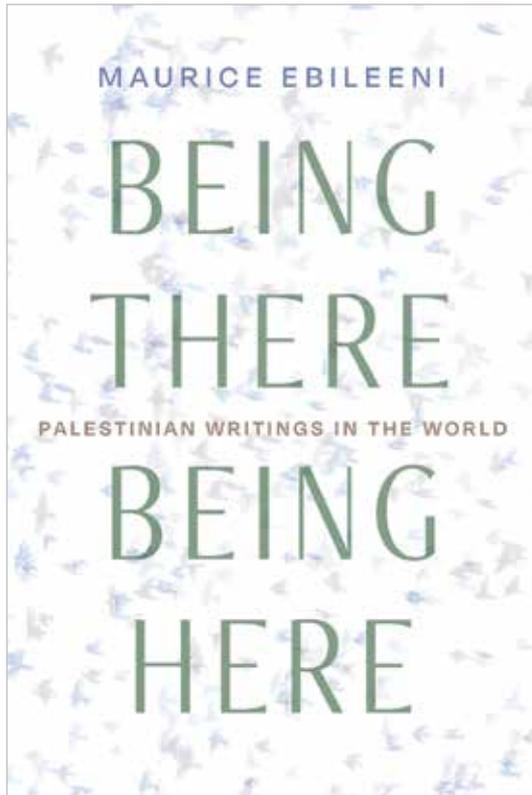
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*Poetry, Politics, and the Law in Modern Ireland* is a richly detailed exploration of how modern Irish poetry has been shaped by, and responded to, the laws, judgments, and constitutions of both of the island’s jurisdictions. Focusing on poets’ responses in their writing to such contentious legal issues as partition, censorship, paramilitarism, and the curtailment of women’s reproductive and other rights, this volume is the first in the growing field of law and literature to monograph exclusively on modern Ireland. Hanna unpacks the legal engagements of both major and non-canonical poets from every decade between the 1920s and the present day, including Rhoda Coghill, Austin Clarke, Paul Durcan, Elaine Feeney, Miriam Gamble, Seamus Heaney, Thomas Kinsella, Paula Meehan, Julie Morrissy, Doireann Ní Ghríofa, and W. B. Yeats.

Poetry from the time of independence onward has been shaped by two opposing forces. On the one hand, the Irish public has traditionally had strong expectations that poets offer a dissenting counter-discourse to official sources of law. On the other hand, poets have more recently expressed skepticism about the ethics of speaking for others and about the adequacy of art in performing a public role. Hanna’s fascinating study illuminates the poetry that arises from these antithetical modern conditions.



**Adam Hanna** is a lecturer in the English Department at University College Cork. He is the author of *Northern Irish Poetry and Domestic Space* and the coeditor of *Architectural Space and the Imagination: Houses in Art and Literature from Classical to Contemporary* and *Law and Literature: The Irish Case*.



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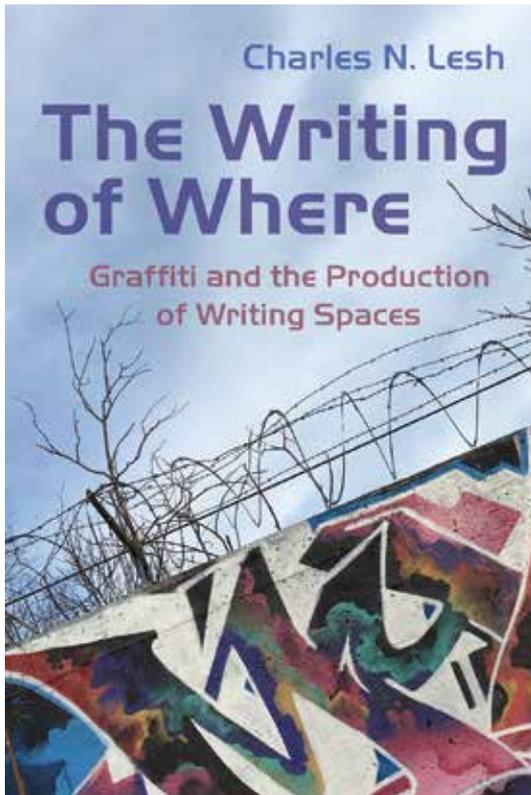
Twenty percent of Palestinians—1.57 million Israeli citizens and over seven hundred thousand exiles and immigrants around the world—live in Europe and the Americas, participating daily in languages and cultures other than Arabic. The dispersion of Palestinians and the consequent diversity of experiences running through three generations since the Nakba of 1948 have significantly dispelled a sense of cultural homogeneity. This cultural diversification is powerfully reflected in literature as an increasing number of Palestinians are writing in Hebrew, English, Spanish, Italian, and Danish, among other languages.

In *Being There, Being Here*, Ebleeni calls for a renewed definition of Palestinian writing, one that includes Anglophone, Nordic, Latinate, and Hebrew language literary works into the national canon. The relevance of studying Palestinian writings composed in languages other than Arabic is grounded in the tension between the idea of remaining loyal to a more-or-less fixed national narrative and the desire to understand the ongoing lingual and cultural proliferations of the Palestinian story.

The concept of “homeland” remains inextricable to Palestinian experiences notwithstanding generation and location, but, it may not necessarily connote to the notion of home for those who were born and raised in the West. Although most of the works discussed here are steeped in the historic injustices committed against Palestinians, Ebleeni’s intention is to unsettle this foundation for the purpose of yielding a richer and fuller understanding of Palestinian literary texts.



**Maurice Ebleeni** is a lecturer in the Department of English Language and Literature at the University of Haifa.



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In *The Writing of Where*, Charles Lesh examines how graffiti writers in Boston remake various spaces within and across the city. The spaces readers will encounter in this book are not just meaningful venues of writing, but also outcomes of writing itself: social spaces not just where writing happens but created because writing happens. Lesh contends that these graffiti spaces reinvent the writing landscape of the city and its public relationship with writing.

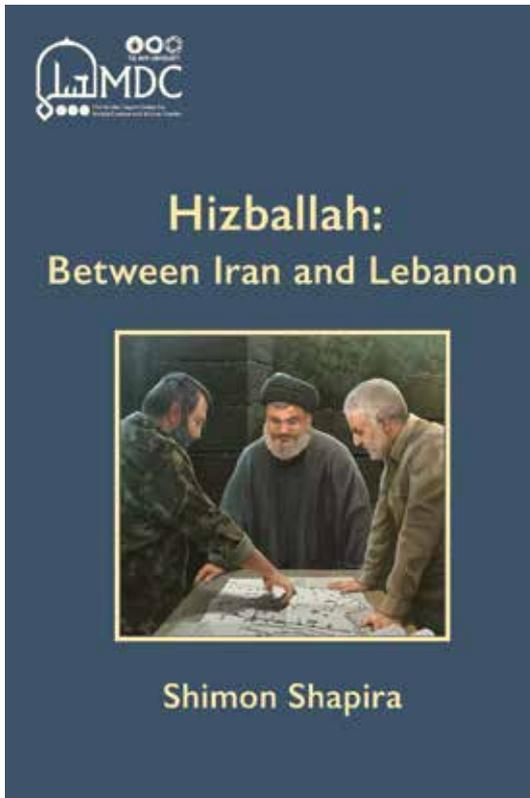
Each chapter introduces readers to different writing spaces: from bold and broadly visible spots along the highway to bridge underpasses seldom seen by non-writers; from inconspicuous notebooks writers call “bibles” to freight yards and model trains; from abandoned factories to benches where writers view trains. Between each chapter, readers will find “community interludes,” responses to the preceding chapters from some of the graffiti writers who worked on this project.

By working closely with writers engaged in the production of these spaces, as well as drawing on work invested in questions of geography, publics, and writing, Lesh identifies new models of community engagement and articulates a framework for the spatiality of the public work of writing and writing studies.

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**Charles N. Lesh** is assistant professor of English at Auburn University. His work has appeared in such journals as *Composition Studies*, *Community Literacy Journal*, *Reflections*, and *College English*, among others.



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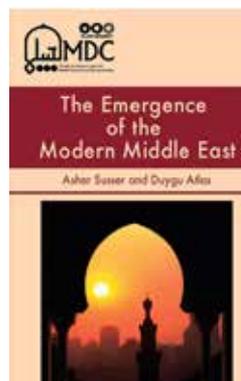
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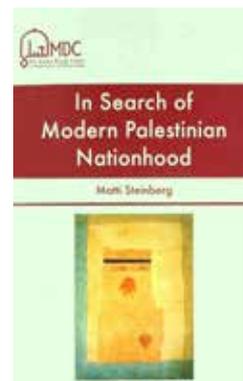
In this book, Shimon Shapira explores the evolution of Hizballah, addressing key questions about the organization's mission and influence: How did it take control of Lebanon's Shi'ite community and, indirectly, of the Lebanese political system and state? How does Iran control and use the organization? Is it still a pure instrument of Iranian policy or is it also a self-standing Lebanese movement and party? What explains Hassan Nasrallah's unique style of leadership? Those who thought that the story of Hizballah begins in 1982 will discover its roots in Iranian policy and investment in the Shi'a of Lebanon in the days of the Shah. This early history and more contemporary events shed light on a question that preoccupies students of Iran: To what extent is Iranian policy in the Middle East an ideological policy of a revolutionary Islamist regime and to what extent is it a new incarnation of Persian imperial policy? Whatever the answer to this question, Iran's ambition and activism in the Middle East after 1979 have served to transform the Middle Eastern political arena.

**Shimon Shapira** is a senior research fellow at the Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs.

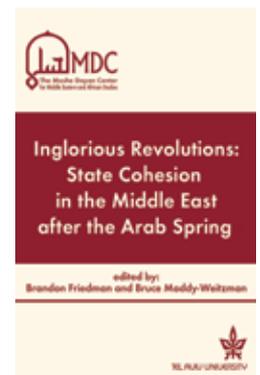
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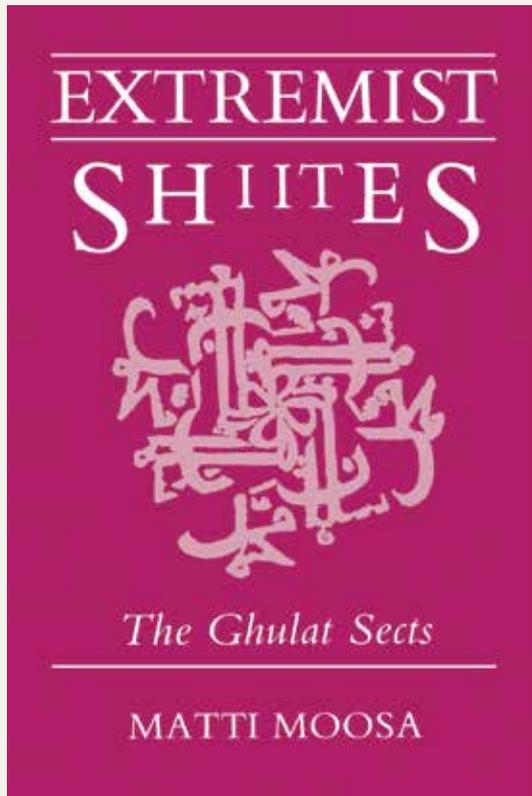
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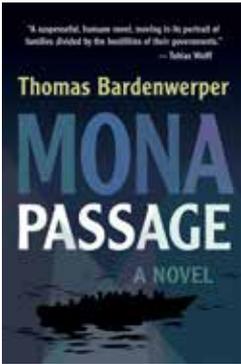
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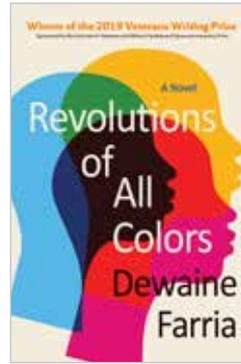
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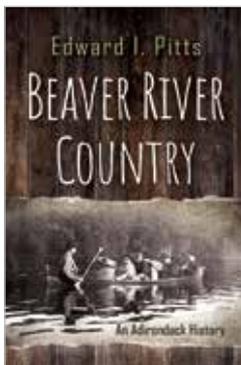
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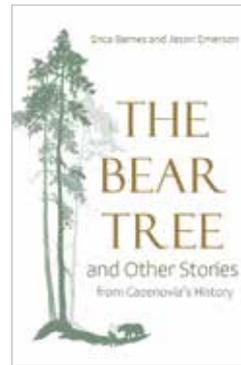
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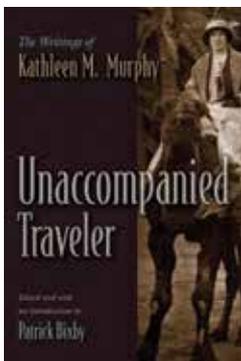


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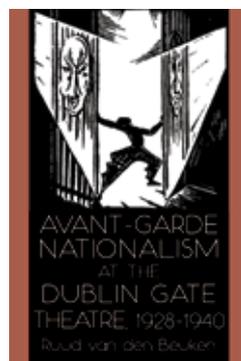
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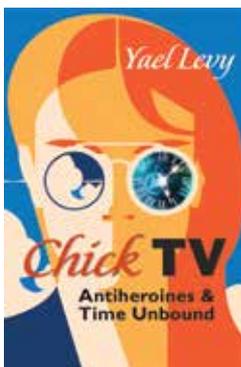


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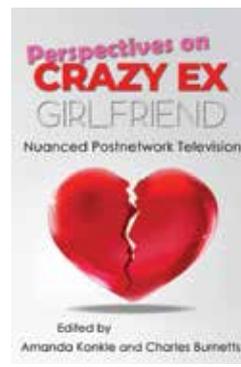
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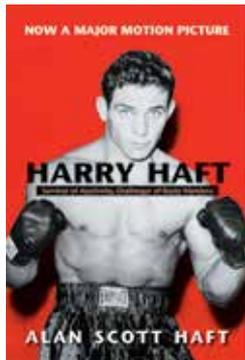
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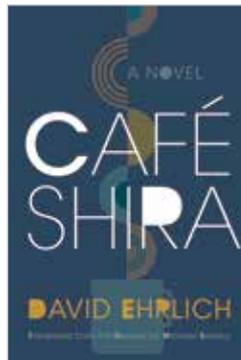
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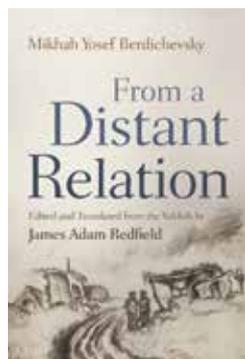
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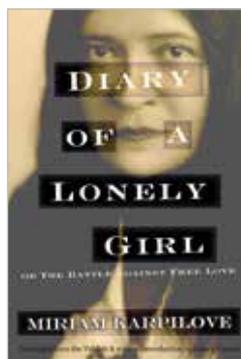
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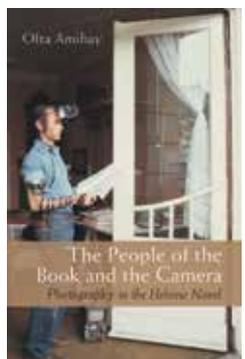
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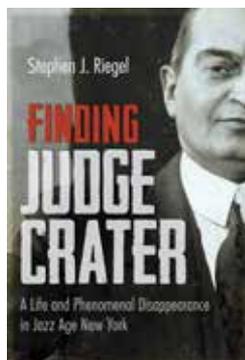
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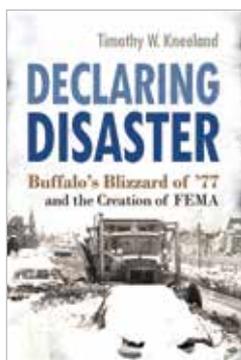
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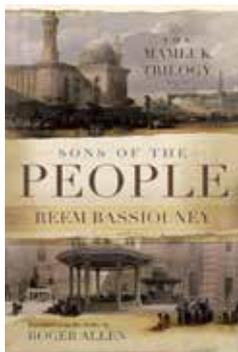
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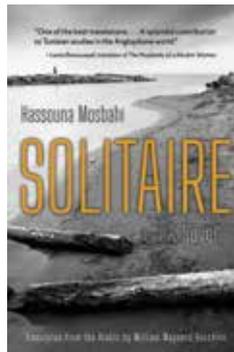
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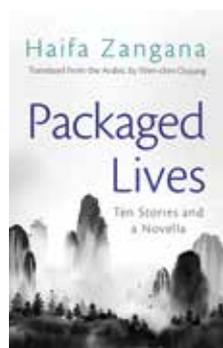
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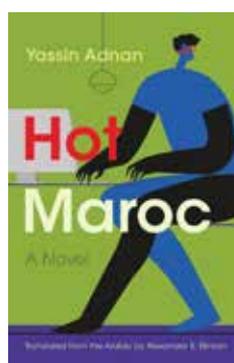
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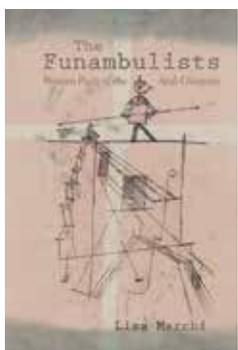
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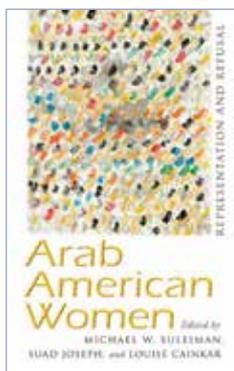
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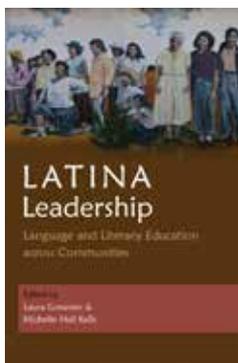
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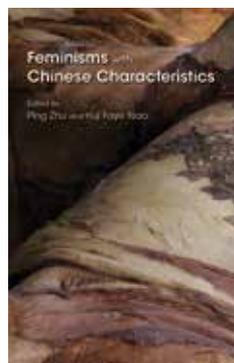
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