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Australiana - Yumna Kassab 2022-03-02
'The real deal.' - Favel Parrett,
author of Past the Shallows and There
Was Still Love 'Kassab creates an
eerie sense of place as the reader is
drawn into myriad perspectives and
geographies. Without doubt
Australiana is an unnerving
contribution to contemporary novel
writing in this continent.' - Books

+ Publishing One small town, a
multitude of stories. When the river
runs dry, the town runs red. This
could be any small town. It aches
under the heat of summer. It
flourishes in the cooler months.
Everyone knows everyone. Their
families, histories and stories are
interwoven and well-known by one and
all. Or at least, they think they

are. But no-one sees anything quite the same way. Perceptions differ, truths are elusive, judgements have outcomes and everything is connected. For better or for worse. This is a version of small-town Australia that is recognisable, both familiar and new, exploring the characters, threads, and connections that detail everyday life to reveal a much bigger story. A tapestry that makes up this place called home. From the acclaimed author of *The House of Youssef* comes this extraordinary and unique novel shining a light on Australian rural life. PRAISE FOR THE HOUSE OF YOUSSEF 'The unadorned style and unobtrusive realism of this book mask, at first, how experimental and original it is in other ways' - Sydney Morning Herald 'Kassab's prose is unsparing and frank yet unstinting' - Australian Book Review

Dancing Girl and the Turtle - Karen Kao 2017-04-01

A rape. A war. A society where women

are bought and sold but no one can speak of shame. Shanghai 1937. Violence throbs at the heart of *The Dancing Girl and the Turtle*. Song Anyi is on the road to Shanghai and freedom when she is raped and left for dead. The silence and shame that mark her courageous survival drive her to escalating self-harm and prostitution. From opium dens to high-class brothels, Anyi dances on the edge of destruction while China prepares for war with Japan. Hers is the voice of every woman who fights for independence against overwhelming odds. *The Dancing Girl and the Turtle* is one of four interlocking novels set in Shanghai from 1929 to 1954. Through the eyes of the dancer, Song Anyi, and her brother Kang, the *Shanghai Quartet* spans a tumultuous time in Chinese history: war with the Japanese, the influx of stateless Jews into Shanghai, civil war and revolution. How does the love of a sister destroy her brother and all

those around him?

Richard Flanagan – ROBERT. DIXON 2018
Richard Flanagan: Critical Essays is the first book to be published about the life and work of this major world author. Written by twelve leading critics from Australia, Europe and North America, these richly varied essays offer new ways of understanding Flanagan's contribution to Tasmanian, Australian and world literature.

Reckoning with the Past – Ashley Barnwell 2018-12-07

This is the first book to examine how Australian fiction writers draw on family histories to reckon with the nation's colonial past. Located at the intersection of literature, history, and sociology, it explores the relationships between family storytelling, memory, and postcolonial identity. With attention to the political potential of family histories, *Reckoning with the Past* argues that authors' often

autobiographical works enable us to uncover, confront, and revise national mythologies. An important contribution to the emerging global conversation about multidirectional memory and the need to attend to the effects of colonisation, this book will appeal to an interdisciplinary field of scholarly readers.

Shell – Kristina Olsson 2018-10-09
In this “luminous” (The New York Times) historical novel—perfect for fans of *All the Light We Cannot See* and *The Flamethrowers*—a Swedish glassmaker and a fiercely independent Australian journalist are thrown together amidst the turmoil of the 1960s and the dawning of a new modern era. 1965: As the United States becomes further embroiled in the Vietnam War, the ripple effects are far-reaching—even to the other side of the world. In Australia, a national military draft has been announced and Pearl Keogh, an ambitious newspaper reporter, has put

her job in jeopardy to become involved in the anti-war movement. Desperate to locate her two runaway brothers before they're called to serve, Pearl is also hiding a secret shame—the guilt she feels for not doing more for her younger siblings after their mother's untimely death. Newly arrived from Sweden, Axel Lindquist is set to work as a sculptor on the besieged Sydney Opera House. After a childhood in Europe, where the shadow of WWII loomed large, he seeks to reinvent himself in this foreign landscape, and finds artistic inspiration—and salvation—in the monument to modernity that is being constructed on Sydney's Harbor. But as the nation hurtles towards yet another war, Jørn Utzon, the Opera House's controversial architect, is nowhere to be found—and Axel fears that the past he has tried to outrun may be catching up with him. As the seas of change swirl around them, Pearl and Axel's lives orbit each

other and collide in this sweeping novel “that brings the cultural upheaval of 1960s Australia vividly to life, and readers who appreciate leisurely paced, thoughtful literary fiction will savor each word of this emotional story of two people—and a country—reckoning with their past and future” (Booklist).

A Terrible Beauty - Richard Flanagan
1985

The Sound of One Hand Clapping -
Richard Flanagan 2014-05-13

A sweeping novel of world war, migration, and the search for new beginnings in a new land, *The Sound of One Hand Clapping* was both critically acclaimed and a bestseller in Australia. Recognized with the Australian Booksellers' Book of the Year Award and the Vance Palmer Prize for Fiction, it now introduces to an international readership a young Australian who is emerging as one of our most talented new storytellers.

In the winter of 1954, in a construction camp for a hydroelectric dam in the remote Tasmanian highlands, when Sonja Buloh was three years old and her migrant Slovenian father was drunk, her mother Maria walked off into a blizzard, never to return. Thirty-five years later, Sonja returns to Tasmania and a father haunted by memories of the European war and other, more recent horrors. As the shadows of the past begin to intrude ever more forcefully into the present, Sonja's empty life and her father's living death are to change forever. The Sound of One Hand Clapping is about the barbarism of an old world left behind, about the harshness of a new country, and the destiny of those in a land beyond hope who seek to redeem themselves through love.

This Golden State - Marit Weisenberg
2022-03-01

Marit Weisenberg's This Golden State follows a family on the run, a

restless teenage daughter hungry for the truth, and the simple DNA test that threatens their carefully crafted world. The Winslow family lives by five principles: 1. No one can know your real name. 2. Don't stay in one place too long. 3. If you sense anything is wrong, go immediately to the meeting spot. 4. Keeping our family together is everything. 5. We wish we could tell you who we are, but we can't. Please—do not ask. Poppy doesn't know why her family has been running her whole life, but she does know that there are dire consequences if they're ever caught. Still, her curiosity grows each year, as does her desire for real friends and the chance to build on something, instead of leaving behind school projects, teams, and crushes at a moment's notice. When a move to California exposes a crack in her parents' airtight planning, Poppy realizes how fragile her world is. Determined to

find out the truth, she mails in a home DNA test. Just as she starts to settle into her new life and even begins opening up to a boy in her math class, the forgotten test results bring her crashing back to reality. Unraveling the shocking truth of her parents' real identities, Poppy realizes that the DNA test has undone decades of careful work to keep her family anonymous—and the past is dangerously close to catching up to them. Determined to protect her family but desperate for more, Poppy must ask: How much of herself does she owe her family? And is it a betrayal to find her own place in the world?

Eyrie - Tim Winton 2014-06-10
Shortlisted for the 2014 Miles Franklin Literary Award An exhilarating new book from Australia's most acclaimed writer Tim Winton is Australia's most decorated and beloved literary novelist. Short-listed twice for the Booker Prize and

the winner of a record four Miles Franklin Awards for Best Australian Novel, he has a gift for language virtually unrivaled among English-language novelists. His work is both tough and tender, primordial and new—always revealing the raw, instinctual drives that lure us together and rend us apart. In *Eyrie*, Winton crafts the story of Tom Keely, a man struggling to accomplish good in an utterly fallen world. Once an ambitious, altruistic environmentalist, Keely now finds himself broke, embroiled in scandal, and struggling to piece together some semblance of a life. From the heights of his urban high-rise apartment, he surveys the wreckage of his life and the world he's tumbled out of love with. Just before he descends completely into pills and sorrow, a woman from his past and her preternatural child appear, perched on the edge of disaster, desperate for help. When you're fighting to

keep your head above water, how can you save someone else from drowning? As Keely slips into a nightmarish world of con artists, drug dealers, petty violence, and extortion, Winton confronts the cost of benevolence and creates a landscape of uncertainty. Eyrie is a thrilling and vertigo-inducing morality tale, at once brutal and lyrical, from one of our finest storytellers.

Short Black 1 The Australian Disease

- Richard Flanagan 2015-09-23

Non-freedom to the Western mind is inevitably linked with images of backwardness - Soviet tractors, East German Trabants, Kim Jong Il's haircut. But non-freedom these days is also iPads, iPhones and a dazzling array of less iconic but ubiquitous consumer goods that flood our stores, our homes and which increasingly are used to define our ideas of worth and happiness. It is a full-lipped smile achieved with the aid of collagen made from skin flensed from dead

Chinese convicts. The Australian Disease is Richard Flanagan's perceptive, hilarious, searing exposé of the conformity that afflicts our public life. From Weary Dunlop to Vassily Grossman, from David Hicks to Craig Thomson, Flanagan takes us on a wildly entertaining and unsettling trip. If we are to find hope, he says, we must take our compass more from ourselves and less from the powerful.

Death Of A River Guide - Richard Flanagan 2011-12-01

From the winner of the Man Booker Prize. Death of a River Guide, Richard Flanagan's debut novel, is widely regarded as a classic in Australian literature. Beneath a waterfall on the Franklin, Aljaz Cosini, river guide, lies drowning. Beset by visions at once horrible and fabulous, he relives not just his own life but that of his family and forebears. In the rainforest waters that rush over him he sees those

lives stripped of their surface realities, and finds a world where dreaming reasserts its power over thinking. As the river rises, his visions grow more turbulent, and in the flood of his past Aljaz discovers the soul history of his country. Richard Flanagan's 1994 debut about a mythical Tasmania dazzled readers around the world, and is now recognised as one of the most powerful and original Australian novels of recent decades. 'Very, very beautiful' -- Baltimore Sun

And What Do You Do, Mr Gable? - Richard Flanagan 2011-08-31

From the winner of the Man Booker Prize. The collected short pieces of nonfiction from one of Australia's best novelists. 'And what do you do, Mr Faulkner?' asked Clark Gable after being introduced to William Faulkner at a party. 'I write,' replied Faulkner. 'And what do you do, Mr Gable?' Collected here for the first time are the very best of Richard

Flanagan's wide-ranging, free-wheeling writings on everything from directing film and writing novels to a near fatal kayak trip; from baking bread to bushfires to art to war; from Kosovar refugees on the run to Jorge Luis Borges to his celebrated essay on the rape of Tasmania's forests, credited as a key to halting Gunns' two billion dollar pulp mill. Sparkling, moving and always surprising, this is exhilarating reading from one of Australia's best writers.

The Narrow Road to the Deep North - Richard Flanagan 2015

WINNER OF THE MAN BOOKER PRIZE 2014 Forever after, there were for them only two sorts of men: the men who were on the Line, and the rest of humanity, who were not. In the despair of a Japanese POW camp on the Burma Death Railway, surgeon Dorrigo Evans is haunted by his love affair with his uncle's young wife two years earlier. Struggling to save the

men under his command from starvation, from cholera, from beatings, he receives a letter that will change his life forever. Hailed as a masterpiece, Richard Flanagan's epic novel tells the unforgettable story of one man's reckoning with the truth.

Wanting - Richard Flanagan 2010-06-08 Internationally acclaimed and profoundly moving, Richard Flanagan's *Wanting* is a stunning tale of colonialism, ambition, and the lusts and longings that make us human. Now in paperback, it links two icons of Western civilization through a legendarily disastrous arctic exploration, and one of the most infamous episodes in human history: the colonization of Tasmania. In 1841, Sir John Franklin and his wife, Lady Jane, move to the remote penal colony of Van Diemen's Land, now Tasmania. There Lady Jane falls in love with a lively aboriginal girl, Mathinna, whom she adopts and makes

the subject of a grand experiment in civilization—one that will determine whether science, Christianity, and reason can be imposed in the place of savagery, impulse, and desire. A quarter of a century passes. Sir John Franklin disappears in the Arctic with his crew and two ships on an expedition to find the fabled Northwest Passage. England is horrified by reports of cannibalism filtering back from search parties, no one more so than the most celebrated novelist of the day, Charles Dickens. As Franklin's story becomes a means to plumb the frozen depths of his own life, Dickens finds a young actress thawing his heart. *10 Minutes 38 Seconds in This Strange World* - Elif Shafak 2019-09-24 Shortlisted for the 2019 Booker Prize Named a Best Book of the Year by Bookpage, NPR, Washington Post, and The Economist A moving novel on the power of friendship in our darkest times, from internationally renowned

writer and speaker Elif Shafak. In the pulsating moments after she has been murdered and left in a dumpster outside Istanbul, Tequila Leila enters a state of heightened awareness. Her heart has stopped beating but her brain is still active—for 10 minutes 38 seconds. While the Turkish sun rises and her friends sleep soundly nearby, she remembers her life—and the lives of others, outcasts like her. Tequila Leila's memories bring us back to her childhood in the provinces, a highly oppressive milieu with religion and traditions, shaped by a polygamous family with two mothers and an increasingly authoritarian father. Escaping to Istanbul, Leila makes her way into the sordid industry of sex trafficking, finding a home in the city's historic Street of Brothels. This is a dark, violent world, but Leila is tough and open to beauty, light, and the essential bonds of friendship. In Tequila Leila's death,

the secrets and wonders of modern Istanbul come to life, painted vividly by the captivating tales of how Leila came to know and be loved by her friends. As her epic journey to the afterlife comes to an end, it is her chosen family who brings her story to a buoyant and breathtaking conclusion.

The Horsewoman - James Patterson
2022-01-10

Emotions rule us all—and turn two women's lives into a ride they can barely control—in this "hugely entertaining, riveting page-turner" (Louise Penny) following the complicated relationship between mother and daughter as they face off in the Olympics. Maggie Atwood and Becky McCabe, mother and daughter, both champion riders, vowed to never, ever, go up against one another. Until the tense, harrowing competitions leading to the Paris Olympics. Mother and daughter share a dream: to be the best horsewoman in

the world. Coronado is Maggie's horse. An absolutely top-tier Belgian warmblood. Sky is Becky's horse. A small, speedy Dutch warmblood. Only James Patterson could bring you such breakneck speed, hair-raising thrills and spills. Only hall of fame sportswriter Mike Lupica could make it all so real.

Notes on an Exodus - Richard Flanagan
2016-06-27

Notes on the exodus of refugees from Syria, by Man Booker Prize winner Richard Flanagan. With illustrations from Archibald Prize winner Ben Quilty. In January 2016 Richard Flanagan and Ben Quilty travelled to Lebanon, Greece, and Serbia to follow the river that is the exodus of our age- that of refugees from Syria. Flanagan's 'notes' and Quilty's sketches bear witness to the remarkable people they met on that journey and their stories. These individual portraits from the Man Booker Prize-winning author and

Archibald Prize-winning artist combine to form a powerful testament to human dignity and courage in the face of war, death, and suffering. Refugees are not like you and me. They are you and me. That terrible river of the wretched and the damned flowing through Europe is my family. **Benevolence** - Julie Janson 2020-05-01 For perhaps the first time in novel form, Benevolence presents an important era in Australia's history from an Aboriginal perspective. Benevolence is told from the perspective of Darug woman, Muraging (Mary James), born around 1813. Mary's was one of the earliest Darug generations to experience the impact of British colonisation. At an early age Muraging is given over to the Parramatta Native School by her Darug father. From here she embarks on a journey of discovery and a search for a safe place to make her home. The novel spans the years 1816-35 and is set around the Hawkesbury River area,

the home of the Darug people, Parramatta and Sydney. The author interweaves historical events and characters – she shatters stereotypes and puts a human face to this Aboriginal perspective.

Gould's Book of Fish - Richard Flanagan 2014-09-23

Winner of the Commonwealth Prize New York Times Book Review-Notable Fiction 2002 Entertainment Weekly-Best Fiction of 2002 Los Angeles Times Book Review-Best of the Best 2002 Washington Post Book World-Raves 2002 Chicago Tribune-Favorite Books of 2002 Christian Science Monitor-Best Books 2002 Publishers Weekly-Best Books of 2002 The Cleveland Plain Dealer-Year's Best Books Minneapolis Star Tribune-Standout Books of 2002 Once upon a time, when the earth was still young, before the fish in the sea and all the living things on land began to be destroyed, a man named William Buelow Gould was sentenced to

life imprisonment at the most feared penal colony in the British Empire, and there ordered to paint a book of fish. He fell in love with the black mistress of the warder and discovered too late that to love is not safe; he attempted to keep a record of the strange reality he saw in prison, only to realize that history is not written by those who are ruled. Acclaimed as a masterpiece around the world, Gould's Book of Fish is at once a marvelously imagined epic of nineteenth-century Australia and a contemporary fable, a tale of horror, and a celebration of love, all transformed by a convict painter into pictures of fish.

Toxic - Richard Flanagan 2021-04-26

In a triumph of marketing, the Tasmanian salmon industry has for decades succeeded in presenting itself as world's best practice and its product as healthy and clean, grown in environmentally pristine conditions. What could be more

appealing than the idea of Atlantic salmon sustainably harvested in some of the world's purest waters? But what are we eating when we eat Tasmanian salmon? Richard Flanagan's exposé of the salmon farming industry in Tasmania is chilling. In the way that Rachel Carson took on the pesticide industry in her groundbreaking book *Silent Spring*, Flanagan tears open an industry that is as secretive as its practices are destructive and its product disturbing. From the burning forests of the Amazon to the petrochemicals you aren't told about to the endangered species being pushed to extinction you don't know about; from synthetically pink-dyed flesh to seal bombs . . . If you care about what you eat, if you care about the environment, this is a book you need to read. Toxic is set to become a landmark book of the twenty-first century.

Death of a River Guide - Richard

Flanagan 2018-03-19

From the winner of the Man Booker Prize. *Death of a River Guide*, Richard Flanagan's debut novel, is widely regarded as a classic in Australian literature. Beneath a waterfall on the Franklin, Aljaz Cosini, river guide, lies drowning. Beset by visions at once horrible and fabulous, he relives not just his own life but that of his family and forebears. In the rainforest waters that rush over him he sees those lives stripped of their surface realities, and finds a world where dreaming reasserts its power over thinking. As the river rises, his visions grow more turbulent, and in the flood of his past Aljaz discovers the soul history of his country.

A World Without "Whom" - Emmy J.

Favilla 2017-11-14

"A provocative and jaunty romp through the dos and don'ts of writing for the internet" (NYT)--the practical, the playful, and the

politically correct--from BuzzFeed copy chief Emmy Favilla. A World Without "Whom" is Eats, Shoots & Leaves for the internet age, and BuzzFeed global copy chief Emmy Favilla is the witty go-to style guru of webspeak. As language evolves faster than ever before, what is the future of "correct" writing? When Favilla was tasked with creating a style guide for BuzzFeed, she opted for spelling, grammar, and punctuation guidelines that would reflect not only the site's lighthearted tone, but also how readers actually use language IRL. With wry cleverness and an uncanny intuition for the possibilities of internet-age expression, Favilla makes a case for breaking the rules laid out by Strunk and White: A world without "whom," she argues, is a world with more room for writing that's clear, timely, pleasurable, and politically aware. Featuring priceless emoji strings, sidebars,

quizzes, and style debates among the most lovable word nerds in the digital media world--of which Favilla is queen--A World Without "Whom" is essential for readers and writers of virtually everything: news articles, blog posts, tweets, texts, emails, and whatever comes next . . . so basically everyone.

Ceremony at Lang Nho - Georgia Savage 1994

The story of a woman's hard-won battle to come to terms with the brutality of war and the meaning of love.

Making Sense - Sam Harris 2020-08-11

A New York Times New and Noteworthy Book From the bestselling author of Waking Up and The End of Faith, an adaptation of his wildly popular, often controversial podcast "Sam Harris is the most intellectually courageous man I know, unafraid to speak truths out in the open where others keep those very same thoughts buried, fearful of the modish thought

police. With his literate intelligence and fluency with words, he brings out the best in his guests, including those with whom he disagrees." -- Richard Dawkins, author of *The Selfish Gene*

"Civilization rests on a series of successful conversations." --Sam Harris

Sam Harris—neuroscientist, philosopher, and bestselling author—has been exploring some of the most important questions about the human mind, society, and current events on his podcast, *Making Sense*. With over one million downloads per episode, these discussions have clearly hit a nerve, frequently walking a tightrope where either host or guest—and sometimes both—lose their footing, but always in search of a greater understanding of the world in which we live. For Harris, honest conversation, no matter how difficult or controversial, represents the only path to moral and intellectual progress. This book

includes a dozen of the best conversations from *Making Sense*, including talks with Daniel Kahneman, Timothy Snyder, Nick Bostrom, and Glenn Loury, on topics that range from the nature of consciousness and free will, to politics and extremism, to living ethically. Together they shine a light on what it means to "make sense" in the modern world.

The Shark Net – Robert Drewe
2003-07-08

Aged six, Robert Drewe moved with his family from Melbourne to Perth, the world's most isolated city – and proud of it. This sun-baked coast was innocently proud, too, of its tranquillity and friendliness. Then a man he knew murdered a boy he also knew. The murderer randomly killed eight strangers – variously shooting, strangling, stabbing, bludgeoning and hacking his victims and running them down with cars – an innocent Perth was changed forever. In the middle-class suburbs which were the killer's

main stalking grounds, the mysterious murders created widespread anxiety and instant local myth. 'The murders and their aftermath have both intrigued me and weighed heavily on me for three decades. To try to make sense of this time and place, and of my own childhood and adolescence, I had, finally, to write about it.' The result is *The Shark Net*, a vibrant and haunting memoir that reaches beyond the dark recesses of murder and chaos to encompass their ordinary suburban backdrop.

The Unknown Terrorist - Richard Flanagan 2008-02-19

From the internationally acclaimed author of *Gould's Book of Fish* comes an astonishing new novel, a riveting portrayal of a society driven by fear. What would you do if you turned on the television and saw you were the most wanted terrorist in the country? Gina Davies is about to find out when, after a night spent with an attractive stranger, she becomes a

prime suspect in the investigation of an attempted terrorist attack. In *The Unknown Terrorist*, one of the most brilliant writers working in the English language today turns his attention to the most timely of subjects - what our leaders tell us about the threats against us, and how we cope with living in fear.

Chilling, impossible to put down, and all too familiar, *The Unknown Terrorist* is a relentless tour de force that paints a devastating picture of a contemporary society gone haywire, where the ceaseless drumbeat of terror alert levels, newsbreaks, and fear of the unknown pushes a nation ever closer to the breaking point.

First Person - Richard Flanagan 2019-03-05

Kif Kehlmann, a young, penniless writer, thinks he's finally caught a break when he's offered \$10,000 to ghostwrite the memoir of Siegfried "Ziggy" Heidl, the notorious con man

and corporate criminal. Ziggy is about to go to trial for defrauding banks for \$700 million; they have six weeks to write the book. But Ziggy swiftly proves almost impossible to work with: evasive, contradictory, and easily distracted by his still-running “business concerns”—which Kif worries may involve hiring hitmen from their shared office. Worse, Kif finds himself being pulled into an odd, hypnotic, and ever-closer orbit of all things Ziggy. As the deadline draws near, Kif becomes increasingly unsure if he is ghostwriting a memoir, or if Ziggy is rewriting him—his life, his future, and the very nature of the truth. By turns comic, compelling, and finally chilling, *First Person* is a haunting look at an age where fact is indistinguishable from fiction, and freedom is traded for a false idea of progress.

Discussion Notes on Richard Flanagan's *Death of a River Guide* -

Lynne Strahan 1998

Death of a River Guide - Richard Flanagan 2014-05-13

“*Death of a River Guide* makes good on a truly soaring ambition and flirts with literary greatness. . . . An indelible vision of how surely the history of a land plays its part in shaping the interior landscape of the human beings who occupy it.” —The Chicago Tribune With *Death of a River Guide*, Richard Flanagan gives us an extraordinary novel as sprawling and compelling as the land and people it describes. Beneath a waterfall on a remote Tasmanian river, Aljaz Cosini is drowning. Beset by visions, he relives not just his own life but that of his family and forebears. He sees his father, Harry, burying his own father, Boy. He sees Boy himself as a young man, and his Auntie Ellie, chased by a cow she believes is a Werowa spirit. In the waters that rush over him Aljaz finds a world

where his story connects to family stories that are Aboriginal, Celtic, Italian, English, Chinese, and East European—what he ultimately discovers in the flood of the past is the soul history of his country.

The Narrow Road to the Deep North -

Richard Flanagan 2014-08-12

Winner of the Man Booker Prize

“Nothing since Cormac McCarthy’s *The Road* has shaken me like this.” –The Washington Post From the author of the acclaimed *Gould’s Book of Fish*, a magisterial novel of love and war that traces the life of one man from World War II to the present. August, 1943: Australian surgeon Dorrigo Evans is haunted by his affair with his uncle’s young wife two years earlier. His life, in a brutal Japanese POW camp on the Thai-Burma Death Railway, is a daily struggle to save the men under his command. Until he receives a letter that will change him forever. A savagely beautiful novel about the many forms of good

and evil, of truth and transcendence, as one man comes of age, prospers, only to discover all that he has lost.

The Living Sea of Waking Dreams -

Richard Flanagan 2021-05-25

From the acclaimed Booker Prize-winning author comes a dazzling novel of family, love and love's disappointments Anna's aged mother is dying. Condemned by her children's pity to living, subjected to increasingly desperate medical interventions, she turns her focus to her hospital window, through which she escapes into visions of horror and delight. When Anna's finger vanishes and a few months later her knee disappears, Anna too feels the pull of the window. She begins to see that all around her, others are similarly vanishing, yet no one else notices. All Anna can do is keep her mother alive. But the window keeps opening wider, taking Anna and the reader ever deeper into an eerily

beautiful story of grief and possibility, of loss and love and orange-bellied parrots. Hailed on publication in Australia as Richard Flanagan's greatest novel yet, *The Living Sea of Waking Dreams* is a rising ember storm illuminating what remains when the inferno beckons: one part elegy, one part dream, one part hope.

The World of Olegas Truchanas - Max Angus 1975

Fly Away Peter - David Malouf
2012-10-31

For three very different people brought together by their love for birds, life on the Queensland coast in 1914 is the timeless and idyllic world of sandpipers, ibises and kingfishers. In another hemisphere civilization rushes headlong into a brutal conflict. Life there is lived from moment to moment. Inevitably, the two young men - sanctuary owner and employee - are drawn to the war,

and into the mud and horror of the trenches of Armentieres. Alone on the beach, their friend Imogen, the middle-aged wildlife photographer, must acknowledge for all three of them that the past cannot be held.

Analysis of the Main Themes in Richard Flanagan's Books *Death of a River Guide* and *The Sound of One Hand Clapping* - Nina Pernuš 2012

Lord of Misrule - Jaimy Gordon 2011
In the early 1970s, trainer Tommy Hansel attempts a horse racing scam at a small, backwoods track in West Virginia, but nothing goes according to his plan when the horses refuse to cooperate and nearly everyone at the track seems to know his scheme.

Flames - Robbie Arnott 2018-04-30
Shortlisted for the Guardian's Not the Booker Prize 2019 'A strange and joyous marvel.' Richard Flanagan
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loved first novel, a young man named Levi McAllister decides to build a coffin for his sister, Charlotte—who promptly runs for her life. A water rat swims upriver in quest of the cloud god. A fisherman hunts for tuna in partnership with a seal. And a father takes form from fire. The answers to these riddles are to be found in this tale of grief and love and the bonds of family, tracing a journey across the southern island. Utterly original in conception, spellbinding in its descriptions of nature and celebration of language, *Flames* is one of the most exciting debuts of recent years. Robbie Arnott was born in Launceston in 1989. He was a 2019 Sydney Morning Herald Best Young Novelist, and won the 2019 Margaret Scott Prize, the 2015 Tasmanian Young Writers' Fellowship and the 2014 Scribe Nonfiction Prize for Young Writers. His widely acclaimed debut, *Flames*, was published in 2018. *The Rain Heron*,

his second novel, will be published in 2020. Robbie's writing has appeared in the *Lifted Brow*, *Island*, *Kill Your Darlings*, *Meanjin* and the anthology *Seven Stories*. He lives in Hobart. 'Ambitious storytelling from a stunning new Australian voice. *Flames* is constantly surprising—I never knew where the story would take me next. This book has a lovely sense of wonder for the world. It's brimming with heart and compassion.' Rohan Wilson 'Arnott confidently borrows from the genres of crime fiction, thriller, romance, comedy, eco-literature, and magical realism, throws them in the air, and lets the pieces land to form a flaming new world.' Sydney Morning Herald 'This is a startlingly good first novel, stylistically adventurous, gorgeous in its descriptions and with a compelling narrative that should find a wide readership.' Australian 'An Australian literary fabulist classic - well, it certainly deserves to be.'

Avid Reader 'Visionary, vivid, full of audacious transformations: there's a marvellous energy to this writing that returns the world to us aflame. A brilliant and wholly original debut.' Gail Jones 'Robbie Arnott is a vivid and bold new voice in Australian fiction.' Danielle Wood 'Arnott skilfully switches between different voices and genres in a trick reminiscent of David Mitchell's Cloud Atlas. The range he displays is impressive, swinging from fable to gothic horror to hardboiled detective story.' Books+Publishing 'Flames is an exuberantly creative and confident debut. This is a story that sparks with invention...Invigorating, strange and occasionally brutal.' Australian Book Review 'This is the kind of book that you'll be able to read a second, third, even fourth time, and it will still never reveal all its secrets. Composed with meticulous attention to detail, and a mastery of form rarely found in a

debut novel, Flames will keep you stewing long after you've finished reading it.' Readings 'A surprising story with a definite feminist edge...the novel's playfulness and poetry make for a fresh and entertaining read.' Saturday Paper 'It will be immediately apparent to anyone even vaguely familiar with Tasmania that Arnott is on intimate terms with his island, and his exquisite descriptive prose definitely does this gem of a place justice...More please, Mr Arnott.' BookMooch 'A gloriously audacious book. It runs astonishing risks and takes on the biggest emotions...It bowled me sideways.' New Zealand Herald 'The quirkiness of the characters—a staple of novels set in small-town Australia—allows for good-natured humour as well as biting satire, but it's the mythic qualities of this novel that make it special. It's as if Arnott has invented a whole mythology that is all our very

own. If you like the fiction of Jane Rawson, I think you will like this one too.' ANZ Lit Lovers 'An extremely evocative and imaginative work...Undeniably powerful...it is refreshing to see the Australian landscape written about so vividly.' Good Reading '[A] novel you will want to read more than once, not so much to plumb its depths as to savour its wild variety of styles and voices, to revel in its breathtaking descriptions of Tasmanian wilderness and to grasp its intricate structure...There is no doubt that a poetically wild and wicked imagination is at work here. More please!' SA WEEKEND 'It's not hard to see where the hype came from. This is an assured, funny and highly imaginative work. Flames is strange from the first, arresting sentence.' Stuff NZ 'Highly innovative...[A] finely built and realised first novel.' Otago Daily Times 'Unique and memorable...Extraordinary energy...A

rich and memorable picture with prose of an exceptionally high quality. You won't read another Australian literary novel like this anytime soon.' Kill Your Darlings 'Flames is brilliant...Enjoy it for its prose poetry, its vivid imagery, its brilliant turns of phrase on nearly every page.' NZ Listener

First Person - Richard Flanagan
2018-04-03

Kif Kehlmann, a young, penniless writer, thinks he's finally caught a break when he's offered \$10,000 to ghostwrite the memoir of Siegfried "Ziggy" Heidl, the notorious con man and corporate criminal. Ziggy is about to go to trial for defrauding banks for \$700 million; they have six weeks to write the book. But Ziggy swiftly proves almost impossible to work with: evasive, contradictory, and easily distracted by his still-running "business concerns"—which Kif worries may involve hiring hitmen from their shared office. Worse, Kif

finds himself being pulled into an odd, hypnotic, and ever-closer orbit of all things Ziggy. As the deadline draws near, Kif becomes increasingly unsure if he is ghostwriting a memoir, or if Ziggy is rewriting him—his life, his future, and the very nature of the truth. By turns comic, compelling, and finally chilling, *First Person* is a haunting look at an age where fact is indistinguishable from fiction, and freedom is traded for a false idea of progress.

Just Relations - Rodney Hall
2012-08-01

Once a wild goldmining town, Whitey's Fall is now a small, brooding community of close and distant relations. One by one, the young are leaving for the alluring uncertainties of the world beyond. The old stay on, steadfast in their pride and sense of belonging. Remembering is their religion; the mountain is their altar. They are the

guardians of the land's unbroken promise. But time brings strangers with different dreams, a different sense of justice. And their coming is a violation, a breakfast for parasites.

Foregone - Russell Banks 2021-03-02
A searing novel about memory, abandonment, and betrayal from the acclaimed and bestselling Russell Banks At the center of *Foregone* is famed Canadian American leftist documentary filmmaker Leonard Fife, one of sixty thousand draft evaders and deserters who fled to Canada to avoid serving in Vietnam. Fife, now in his late seventies, is dying of cancer in Montreal and has agreed to a final interview in which he is determined to bare all his secrets at last, to demythologize his mythologized life. The interview is filmed by his acolyte and ex-star student, Malcolm MacLeod, in the presence of Fife's wife and alongside Malcolm's producer, cinematographer,

and sound technician, all of whom have long admired Fife but who must now absorb the meaning of his astonishing, dark confession. Imaginatively structured around Fife's secret memories and alternating between the experiences of the characters who are filming his confession, the novel challenges our assumptions and understanding about a significant lost chapter in American history and the nature of memory itself. Russell Banks gives us a daring and resonant work about the scope of one man's mysterious life, revealed through the fragments of his recovered past.

Forms and Functions of Fictionalizing Australian History in Richard Flanagan's novel "Death of a River Guide" - Felix Unger 2016-12-20
Seminar paper from the year 2016 in the subject English - Literature,

Works, grade: 2,0, University of Cologne (Englisches Seminar), course: Contemporary Australian Narratives in English, language: English, abstract: In this term paper, the plot of "Death of a River Guide" will be analysed, preceded by a brief summary of the (colonial) history of Tasmania, where the novel is set. The analysis of "Death of a River Guide" will be done with respect to its links with Tasmanian history. Reading between the lines of Aljaz's visions namely reveals not only insights into his and his family's past, but also into Tasmania's history, which was marked by a quite difficult encounter between Aborigines and settlers, especially the many convicts that were sent onto the island. This fictionalization of the country's past is depicted by Flanagan from various viewpoints. Finally, a conclusion will be drawn.