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The traveling exorcist, television and radio personality (Discovery Channel, Lifetime Movie Network, Destination America) and bestselling author, Bill Bean, shares some of his most amazing experiences in *Stranger Than Fiction: True Supernatural Encounters of a Spiritual Warrior*. -- Publisher Description.

Stranger Things meets *Men in Black* in this funny and eerie young adult novel. **WHAT'S GOING ON IN BONE LAKE? THE TRUTH WILL SURPRISE YOU.** In small town Michigan, Penny Hardjoy, an aspiring journalist, teams up with the nerdy boy next door and the town's star quarterback to find her conspiracy theorist father after he goes missing and several other people turn up dead in the woods. The deeper she digs, the weirder things start to get. Townspeople repeat the same phrases—verbatim. Men in black suits stroll around Main Street. Chunks of Penny's memory go missing. Pretty soon, her research leads her to the long-ago meteorite crash in Bone Lake's woods, and she's going to have to reconsider her definition of "real" if she wants answers. . . .

A rare and revealing first-person account of the early country music industry from the perspective of a renowned songwriter and performer. First published in 1977, *Truth Is Stranger Than Publicity* brings to life the world of the early Grand Ole Opry and the struggles of country music's first generation of professional musicians. Alton Delmore's candor and the depth of detail in his narrative make *Truth Is Stranger Than Publicity* more than just a resource for historians; the book is also an engrossing tale of struggle and perseverance.

Presents accounts of true and unusual incidents that are unable to be explained by

modern science

Donated by Carl W. Schaefer, not Harry Wood.

Jardine's command of French theory is awesome. Even more impressive is the fact that she manages to delve into the subject without ever losing sight of certain impertinent American questions. "-Jane Gallop, Department of French and Italian, Miami University
Gynesis: from the Greek—gyn- signifying woman, and -sis designating process. In her book, Alice Jardine charts the territories and landscapes of contemporary French thought, focusing on such concepts as "woman" and "the feminine," and relating them to the problem of modernity. Interdisciplinary in her approach, she confronts and addresses important psychoanalytic, philosophical, and fictional texts that are largely the work of male writers. In Part One Jardine charts the general boundaries of what she describes as the "problematization" of woman, and in Part Two she explores three major topologies of contemporary French thought—the breakdown of the Cartesian Subject, the default of Representation, and the demise of Man's Truth. Part Three analyzes the work of Jacques Lacan, Jacques Derrida, and Gilles Deleuze, three major French thinkers who, according to Jardine, are deeply involved in the process of gynesis, and discusses their readings of such writers as Marguerite Duras, Maurice Blanchot, and Michel Tournier. A final section turns to the question of comparativism by discussing male American and French writers—those self-consciously exploring the conceptual territories mapped in Part Two. Looking at her texts from the vantage point of an American feminist, Jardine voices the hope that feminism and modernity will not become mutually exclusive and, by the same token, that feminism will not grow less concerned with the question of female stereotyping. A brilliant and engaging book that will undoubtedly provoke controversy, Gynesis should find a large audience among students of contemporary thought—including feminists, literary and cultural critics, and philosophers.

How does the Star Trek universe stack up against the real universe? What warps when you're traveling at warp speed? What is the difference between a wormhole and a black hole? Are time loops really possible, and can I kill my grandmother before I am born? Anyone who has ever wondered "could this really happen?" will gain useful insights into the Star Trek universe (and, incidentally, the real world of physics) in this charming and accessible guide. Lawrence M. Krauss boldly goes where Star Trek has gone-and beyond. From Newton to Hawking, from Einstein to Feynman, from Kirk to Picard, Krauss leads readers on a voyage to the world of physics as we now know it and as it might one day be.

In this provocative and eye-opening classic of investigative journalism, the #1 New York Times bestselling author and "America's best true-crime writer" (Kirkus Reviews), Ann Rule, explores the nearly twenty-year long search for America's most prolific and horrifying serial killer. In 1982, the body of Wendy Coffield is discovered floating near the sandy shore of Washington's Green River. Authorities have no idea that this tragic and violent death is only the beginning of a string of murders that will rock and terrify the Seattle area for two decades. With her signature riveting prose and in-depth research, Ann Rule takes us behind the scenes of the search for the Green River Killer, a terrifying specter who ritualistically killed young women and eluded authorities for years. From seeking the help of incarcerated serial killer Ted Bundy to Ann Rule's horrifying realization that the killer she was writing about had attended her book signings, Green River, Running Red is the suspenseful and unforgettable "definitive narrative of the brutal and senseless crimes that haunted the Seattle area for decades" (Publishers Weekly).

This book relates the very personal story of Delia Salter Bacon (1811-1859), who had

been a student of Beecher's at her Hartford Female Seminary, and her friendship with Alexander MacWhorter, identified in the book as Mr. A., a Yale theological graduate ten years her junior. In 1847, after two years and no prospect of marriage between the two, Leonard Bacon, Delia's brother and pastor of New Haven's First Church (Congregational), brought misconduct charges against MacWhorter in the New Haven ministerial association. Although MacWhorter was acquitted by a narrow margin, both their reputations were tarnished. However, Delia Bacon was further damaged by Beecher's well-meaning attempt to defend her in print. She moved to England where she continued to write, founding the Baconian and group theories of Shakespeare authorship which still continue to this day, all the while withdrawing gradually from public life. She became increasingly mentally unstable as time passed; she died in 1859 at the Hartford (CT) Retreat for the insane.

Interpretation of Hindu philosophy, religion, and astrology.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER If you think the wildest, wackiest stories that Carl Hiaasen can tell have all made it into his hilarious, bestselling novels, think again. *Dance of the Reptiles* collects the best of Hiaasen's Miami Herald columns, which lay bare the stories--large and small--that demonstrate anew that truth is far stranger than fiction. Hiaasen offers his commentary—indignant, disbelieving, sometimes righteously angry, and frequently hilarious—on burning issues like animal welfare, polluted rivers, and the broken criminal justice system as well as the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, Bernie Madoff's trial, and the shenanigans of the recent presidential elections. Whether or not you have read Carl Hiaasen before, you are in for a wild ride.

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There is absolutely nothing more fun than lying confidently about history. Lying is incredibly fun. In fact, the only thing that feels better than lying to someone is lying to someone, then regaining their trust, and then lying to them again. This book, for example, was promised to be released in April 2016. But that was a lie. The plan was always October 2018. Because, you know, now is a time in history when lying openly gets you elected to office. In this book, you will find plenty of plausible but completely unverifiable nonsense. Almost like watching Fox News but with a better sense of humour. Hopefully, it will teach you much about nothing other than the true joy of lying to people. Honestly, there has never been a better moment in history to be a liar. We have reached a point where truths have become lies and lies are now the truth. So learn from the greatest and get inspired by the best lies in history. *NB: Most profits from this book are going to finance railway infrastructure under the English Channel. Contains strong language.

Was Leonardo Da Vinci a member of the Priory of Sion, a secret society reaching all the way back to the Crusades? Does his famous painting, *The Last Supper*, contain a hidden

code about this society's most precious secret? Did Jesus father children by Mary Magdalene? What was the Holy Grail? The best-selling novel *The Da Vinci Code* by Dan Brown has stirred the popular imagination by cleverly interweaving theories about such questions with a fast-paced fictional narrative. Many readers have been so swept away by the drama of this murder mystery that they have accepted Brown's fictional reconstruction of Christian origins and medieval history as established fact. New Testament scholar Robert M. Price, a member of the Jesus Seminar, examines the creative uses of history in Brown's novel, showing that, however intriguing Brown's fictional speculations may be, the real facts behind the novel are even more fascinating. What does the best historical evidence say about the possibility that Jesus might have survived the crucifixion? How did the Gospels come to be accepted as the established accounts of Jesus' life and why were other Gnostic traditions suppressed? How did the Roman Emperor Constantine figure in the development of Christian dogma? What was Mary Magdalene's role in early Christianity and how was it adapted in later attempts to develop a sacred feminine element in Christianity? These are some of the important questions about Christianity that Dr. Price pursues in this engrossing discussion of Christian history. Price combines sophisticated historical analysis with completely accessible and witty prose in this enlightening, factually based analysis of Brown's speculative bestseller. Robert M. Price (Selma, NC) is the editor (with Jeffery Jay Lowder) of *The Empty Tomb: Jesus Beyond the Grave* and *The Journal of Higher Criticism*. He is also the author of *The Incredible Shrinking Son of Man: How Reliable Is the Gospel Tradition?*, *Deconstructing Jesus*, *The Widow Traditions in Luke-Acts*, and *Beyond Born Again*.

He's BACK. Dakota Stevens. The tough, wisecracking New York private eye. And he's smarter, funnier and sexier than ever. And so is his "Watson"—brilliant chess grandmaster Svetlana Krush. With her dry wit. Her runway legs. Her predator eyes. A Truth Stranger Than Fiction, the 3rd novel in the critically acclaimed Dakota Stevens Mystery Series, delves into the bizarre, interconnected world of foreign spies and fangirls, mobsters and murderers, government bureaucrats and corporate profiteers. Manhattan PI Dakota Stevens has just moved into new offices on Fifth Avenue when a young woman walks in with a problem: her older brother, a famous science fiction author, has been missing for a week. Before Dakota even has a chance to take the case, he and the young woman are accosted by a horde of people searching for the brother: government agents, thugs, mobsters, and two mysterious Chinese men. What could her brother possibly be into? In a case that leads from the streets of Manhattan to the woods of Upstate New York, to Boston and the shores of Maine, to Washington, D.C. and the Midwest—by foot, train, truck, boat and private jet—what begins as a simple missing persons investigation quickly devolves into the most difficult and personal case of Dakota's career. In the end, Dakota exposes a secret that literally has the power to change the world. And the truth is a truth stranger than fiction. With humor, action, intrigue, and lush writing, *A Truth Stranger Than Fiction* is a compelling noir mystery in the tradition of Robert Parker and Raymond Chandler. Praise for the Dakota Stevens Mystery Series: "Orcutt has combined a classic hard-boiled with the page-turning frenzy of a Dan Brown novel." "PI Dakota Stevens is a cross between Philip Marlowe and Jason Bourne and his partner Svetlana Krush is a chess Grandmaster with the body of a Victoria's Secret model." "Just when you think you've solved the mystery, Orcutt surprises you with another unexpected twist." "As for the characters—perfection. Flawed, funny, heroic and developed fully from the first page until the final page." "I read *A Real Piece of Work* in three days. Didn't get much sleep but it was well worth it." "Dakota Stevens and his indispensable sidekick/chess champion Svetlana Krush are a delightful modern take on the noir detective style." "The author's ability to paint a picture or scene with words is astounding. This book is ripe for adaptation to film." "Orcutt weaves a story that keeps you hanging on until the very end." "People in the reviews keep mentioning Spenser/Robert B. Parker, and they're right; but add a good streak of John Le Carré, turn

the roaster up a notch, and maybe you're getting in the ballpark." "Reading Orcutt is like chasing a lit fuse into a dark tunnel." "I am now stalking this author, anxiously awaiting the release of his next book in the series." Editorial Review: "A Truth Stranger Than Fiction is definitely worth the read. Between the fast pace and the clean, fluid language this story is hard to pause, and it's thought-provoking in its real-world relevance. This story is highly entertaining and fun in its action and humor, but beholden to a deeper focus. From the strategic Mark Twain preface to the surprising climax, Orcutt takes a truth and hides it in plain sight. (4.5 stars)" — Theresa Caulkins, The Portsmouth Review

Kidnapped into slavery in 1841, Northup spent 12 years in captivity. This autobiographical memoir represents an exceptionally detailed and accurate description of slave life and plantation society. 7 illustrations. Index.

For years, it has been what is called a 'deteriorating situation'. Now all over South Africa the cities are battlegrounds. The members of the Smales family - liberal whites - are rescued from the terror by their servant, July, who leads them to refuge in his native village. What happens to the Smaleses and to July - the shifts in character and relationships - gives us an unforgettable look into the terrifying, tacit understandings and misunderstandings between blacks and whites.

In *Stranger Than We Can Imagine*, John Higgs argues that before 1900, history seemed to make sense. We can understand innovations like electricity, agriculture and democracy. The twentieth century, in contrast, gave us relativity, cubism, quantum mechanics, the id, existentialism, Stalin, psychedelics, chaos mathematics, climate change and postmodernism. In order to understand such a disorienting barrage of unfamiliar and knotty ideas, Higgs shows us, we need to shift the framework of our interpretation and view these concepts within the context of a new kind of historical narrative. Instead of looking at it as another step forward in a stable path, we need to look at the twentieth century as a chaotic seismic shift, upending all linear narratives. Higgs invites us along as he journeys across a century "about which we know too much" in order to grant us a new perspective on it. He brings a refreshingly non-academic, eclectic and infectiously energetic approach to his subjects as well as a unique ability to explain how complex ideas connect and intersect—whether he's discussing Einstein's theories of relativity, the Beat poets' interest in Eastern thought or the bright spots and pitfalls of the American Dream.

"Craig wields powerful and vivid prose to illuminate a country and a family trapped not only by war and revolution, but also by desire and loss." —Viet Thanh Nguyen, Pulitzer Prize-winning author *Miss Burma* tells the story of modern-day Burma through the eyes of Benny and Khin, husband and wife, and their daughter Louisa. After attending school in Calcutta, Benny settles in Rangoon, then part of the British Empire, and falls in love with Khin, a woman who is part of a long-persecuted ethnic minority group, the Karen. World War II comes to Southeast Asia, and Benny and Khin must go into hiding in the eastern part of the country during the Japanese occupation, beginning a journey that will lead them to change the country's history. Years later, Benny and Khin's eldest child, Louisa, has a danger-filled, tempestuous childhood and reaches prominence as Burma's first beauty queen soon before the country falls to dictatorship. As Louisa navigates her newfound fame, she is forced to reckon with her family's past, the West's ongoing covert dealings in her country, and her own loyalty to the cause of the Karen people. Based on the story of the author's mother and grandparents, *Miss Burma* is a captivating portrait of how modern Burma came to be and of the ordinary people swept up in the struggle for self-determination and freedom. "At once beautiful and heartbreaking . . . An incredible family saga." —Refinery29 "Miss Burma charts both a political history and a deeply personal one—and of those incendiary moments when private and public motivations overlap." —Los Angeles Times

"Barber explores the evolution of American food from the 'first plate,' or industrially-produced, meat-heavy dishes, to the 'second plate' of grass-fed meat and organic greens, and says that both of these approaches are ultimately neither sustainable nor healthy. Instead, Barber proposes Americans should move to the 'third plate,' a cuisine rooted in seasonal productivity, natural livestock rhythms, whole-grains, and small portions of free-range meat"--Provided by publishe

Stranger Than Fiction: The Lincoln Curse is a revised edition consisting of 50 stories that prove, in the words of Mark Twain, sometimes truth can be stranger than fiction. According to Southern lore, a dying Confederate, versed in the dark arts, placed a curse on the Lincoln family and the Federal government. Soon afterwards, Abraham Lincoln was assassinated and calamity befell everyone who assisted or abetted the Lincoln family. In the next 98 years three more American presidents were assassinated. Each time an American president has been murdered, he was in the company of a member of the Lincoln family. Mary Lincoln was with her husband the night he was shot. Robert Lincoln, the president's oldest son, was with his father when he died the next morning. Robert Lincoln was in the company of President Garfield when he was gunned down 16 years later. The same Robert Lincoln was in the company of President McKinley when he was felled by an assassin's bullet in 1901. Evelyn Lincoln, personal secretary of President Kennedy, was near the president when he was slain in 1963. Curse or coincidence? Either way it proves truth can be stranger than fiction. Read about how medical bungling killed President Washington who was accidentally bled to death and marvel at the antiquated medical procedures that prompted one doctor to propose resurrecting Washington shortly after he died. Read how President Garfield died as a result of medical bungling. Why did a Japanese soldier go on fighting World War II for 29 years after it had ended? Examine the photo of Abraham Lincoln's ghost taken by a spirit photographer and decide for yourself is it authentic or a hoax? Muse at the antics of love starved sailors who almost took their ship apart and attempted to set sail in the dilapidated vessel to gain the affections of several island women. Read about the origins of the custom of awarding presidential pardons to turkeys. Read about the deadly wolf peach and how it became a part of the American diet. You'll be intrigued by the bizarre deaths of several prominent people including a well-known detective who died from biting his tongue. Learn of General Custer's lost treasure and of the American president who once gave a press conference in the nude. Who was the queen whose corpse was given a coronation after she died? Why was an elephant publicly executed in Tennessee? Read about the wayward outlaw who was given the nickname "The stupidest outlaw in the west." Read about the outlaw who started a movie career that spanned several decades after he was shot to death. You'll be mystified at Mark Twain's premonition of his brother's death--one that came eerily true. Imagine how you would feel if you woke up one morning and read your own obituary in the paper. It happened to Mark Twain. These and many other stories will leave the reader convinced that perhaps Twain was right when he said "truth is stranger than fiction." Michael Williams has written a children's book entitled "Great Kids in History." The book has received rave reviews from readers. The book is a collection of 22 true stories of amazing children that have accomplished incredible feats. Your child will be inspired by the stories of courage and adventure of these amazing kids. For more information visit the web site www.strangerthanfictionnews.com.

Laura Hunt was the ideal modern woman: beautiful, elegant, highly ambitious, and utterly mysterious. No man could resist her charms—not even the hardboiled NYPD detective sent to find out who turned her into a faceless corpse. As this tough cop probes the mystery of Laura's death, he becomes obsessed with her strange power. Soon he realizes he's been seduced by a dead woman—or has he? Laura won lasting renown as an Academy Award-nominated 1944 film, the greatest noir romance of all time. Vera Caspary's equally haunting novel is remarkable for its stylish, hardboiled writing, its electrifying plot twists, and its darkly complex characters—including a woman who

stands as the ultimate femme fatale. Femmes Fatales restores to print the best of women's writing in the classic pulp genres of the mid-20th century. From mystery to hard-boiled noir to taboo lesbian romance, these rediscovered queens of pulp offer subversive perspectives on a turbulent era. Enjoy the series: Bedelia; Bunny Lake Is Missing; By Cecile; The G-String Murders; The Girls in 3-B; Laura; The Man Who Loved His Wife; Mother Finds a Body; Now, Voyager; Return to Lesbos; Skyscraper; Stranger on Lesbos; Stella Dallas; Women's Barracks.

Fascinating humorous account of 1897 voyage to Hawaii, Australia, India, New Zealand, etc. Ironic, bemused reports on peoples, customs, climate, flora and fauna, politics, much more. 197 illustrations.

Brief, easy to read articles for adults, including strange reports about UFO's, twins, jobs, world records, parapsychology, acupuncture, yoga, sleep and dreams.

The Whitten family and their neighbors struggle to preserve their way of life in the face of the slow desertification of once prime cattle country

The #1 international bestseller, from Umberto Eco, author of The Name of the Rose "Vintage Eco . . . the book is a triumph." - New York Review of Books Nineteenth-century Europe—from Turin to Prague to Paris—abounds with the ghastly and the mysterious. Jesuits plot against Freemasons. Italian republicans strangle priests with their own intestines. French criminals plan bombings by day and celebrate Black Masses at night. Every nation has its own secret service, perpetrating forgeries, plots, and massacres. Conspiracies rule history. From the unification of Italy to the Paris Commune to the Dreyfus Affair to The Protocols of the Elders of Zion, Europe is in tumult and everyone needs a scapegoat. But what if, behind all of these conspiracies, both real and imagined, lay one lone man? "[Eco] demonstrates once again that his is a voice that compels our attention" - San Francisco Chronicle "Choreographed by a truth that is itself so strange a novelist need hardly expand on it to produce a wondrous tale . . . Eco is to be applauded for bringing this stranger-than-fiction truth vividly to life." - New York Times "Classic Eco, with a difference." - Los Angeles Times This e-book includes a sample chapter of NAME OF THE ROSE.

"Stolen Identity" is about how the melanin people of ancient time's identities were stolen by white Europeans, Caucasians and how that act has corrupted historical events, displaced and disrupted millions upon millions of people. Almost all achievements of the ancient melanin people are credited to white, Caucasian Europeans.

From #1 New York Times bestselling author Chris Colfer comes a funny, heartbreaking, unforgettable novel about friendship and fame perfect for fans of Me, Earl, and the Dying Girl and John Green. Cash Carter is the young, world famous lead actor of the hit television show Wiz Kids. When four fans jokingly invite him on a cross-country road trip, they are shocked that he actually takes them up on it. Chased by paparazzi and hounded by reporters, this unlikely crew takes off on a journey of a lifetime--but along the way they discover that the star they love has deep secrets he's been keeping. What they come to learn about the life of the mysterious person they thought they knew will teach them about the power of empathy and the unbreakable bond of true friendship. In this touching novel, New York Times bestselling author Chris Colfer takes us on a journey full of laughter, tears, and life-changing memories.

Presents experiences of the author and his crew, who investigate claims of paranormal phenomena in exotic locales throughout the world.

A recovering alcoholic's dark secrets catch up with her in this gripping novel of psychological suspense from the internationally bestselling author of *The Rumor*. "Instantly immersive, then intriguing, then insanely suspenseful, then . . . the truth. Believe me, Lesley Kara knows what she's doing."—Lee Child We said to keep it a secret, that no one needed to know. Astrid is newly sober and trying to turn her life around. Having reluctantly moved back in with her mother, in a quiet seaside town away from the temptations and darkness of her previous life, she is focusing on her recovery. She's going to meetings. Confessing her misdeeds. Making amends to those she's wronged. If she fills her days, maybe she can outrun the ghosts that haunt her. Maybe she can start anew. But someone is tormenting me now. Someone knows where I am and what I've done. Someone knows exactly what Astrid is running from. And they won't stop until she learns that some mistakes can't be corrected. Some mistakes, you have to pay for . . . The question is: Who did you tell?

J. Richard Middleton and Brian J. Walsh offer an introduction, evaluation and response to postmodern culture that comes straight from the heart of the gospel.

Dark Theory Comics Presents: American Deity - A farce on life and humanity. Probing the darkness of your mind with your own imagination. Entering a dimension beyond time and space and boldly going where no one has gone before. Beyond the Rabbit Hole.

Vera Caspary, the famed author of *Laura*, gives us another gripping crime drama, told through shifting points of view. John Ansell, young and idealistic editor of *Truth and Crime* magazine, wants to breathe new life into the stale and formulaic publication. Instead of rehashing a story that's already been proven popular elsewhere, he finds a fresh one: the murder of Warren G. Wilson, famed figurehead of a correspondence course. The murder itself isn't too remarkable—just a bullet in the back—but the victim is another case, as it becomes apparent that despite having a household name, nothing is known about him. Perhaps even more peculiar is how Ansell's boss absolutely refuses to run the story and, soon thereafter, Ansell is poisoned. Caspary masterfully allows the truth to slowly untangle in this incredibly woven mystery, finally available as an ebook.

Coming from the mean streets of Bushwick, Brooklyn New York, Tone and Rowdy lived a life that others would run away from. With their younger bro, Stacks, by their sides all three men became legit and rose to the top of the music industry. But you know what they say, "no money, no problems." With so much at stake it would be foolish to go back to their ruthless killer ways but they just might have to. Ashley never even thought about having a serious relationship until after she was given her degree but of course love throws you curveballs all of the time. Sadly for her this curveball might mean her life. Chasity, so close to her college graduation, was living the perfect little naive life until she ran into Tone. Does Chasity has what it takes to deal with the drama that Tone's jealous ex-girlfriend, Maleeka, brings or will she in the end be left with blood on her own two hands?

A New York Times Critic's Top Pick of the Year This essential, enlightening, truly delightful collection shows one of our greatest writers parsing the political, artistic, and media landscape of the past three decades. These sixty-six essays and reviews, culled from the pages of *The New York Review of Books*, *The New York Times*, *Harper's*, *The Atlantic*, and *The New Yorker*, among others, find Lorrie Moore turning her discerning eye on everything from Philip Roth to Margaret Atwood, from race in America to the shocking state of the GOP, from celebrity culture to the wilds of television, from Stephen Sondheim to Barack Obama. See *What Can Be Done* is a perfect blend of craft, brains, and a knowing, singular take on life, liberty, and the pursuit of (some kind of) happiness.

This book reads like the script for a science fiction movie, with a cast of malevolent and

benevolent aliens, a league of human minions, a battle for the Earth, and an enslaved human populace. But sometimes truth is stranger than fiction—the Matrix is real—we are living in the Matrix. The Matrix movies came as close as possible to revealing the truth—we live in a carefully-constructed holographic reality that is based upon a single false premise. The entire artificial reality system of the Matrix is based upon a single kernel of false programming inserted into every one of us. Many people today suspect that there is a huge cover-up regarding the existence of extraterrestrial beings on our planet for eons. It is getting harder every day to ignore the UFOs in our skies, and to dismiss the beautiful and mysterious crop circles on the ground as mere human pranks. Scientists cannot explain these contemporary mysteries any more that they can explain how the pyramids were built, find the "missing link" in anthropological records, or explain the "junk" in our DNA. As the inevitable date of disclosure draws near, we are learning about our full history and heritage, and so some of the knowledge is leaked to the public in the form of a movie, The Matrix. More information is coming to light every day. The Golden Age of Gaia has been foretold by many ancient texts, and we are the ones who will create this "heaven on Earth" once again. But first, we must each consciously unplug from the Matrix. Are you ready to know the truth? Once you know the truth, you can never go back.

"Explores the fatal intersection in the lives of Noura Jackson, her circle of dissolute Memphis friends, and the death of Noura's mother, Jennifer, on the eve of a popular outdoor festival"--page 2 of cover.

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