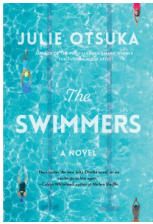


## Hell of a book : or the altogether factual, Wholly Bona Fide story of a big dreams, hard luck, American-Made Mad Kid

by Jason Mott

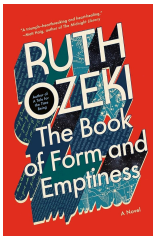
A work of fiction goes to the heart of racism, police violence, and the hidden costs exacted upon Black Americans, and America as a whole.



## The swimmers

by Julie Otsuka

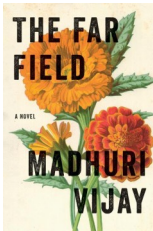
When a crack appears in the pool, a fellowship of swimmers who take comfort in their laps are cast out, including Alice, who, slowly losing her memory, is reunited too late with her estranged daughter, in this intimate story of mothers and daughters, and the sorrows of implacable loss.



## The Book of Form and Emptiness

by Ruth Ozeki

When he begins hearing voices one year after his father's death, 13-year-old Benny Oh, seeking refuge in the library, meets a colorful cast of characters, including his very own Book, a talking thing, who narrates Benny's life and teaches him to listen to the things that truly matter.



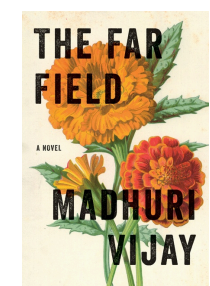
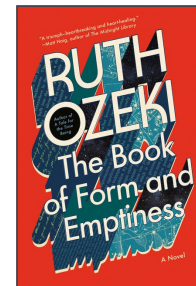
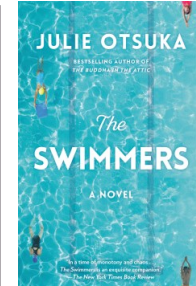
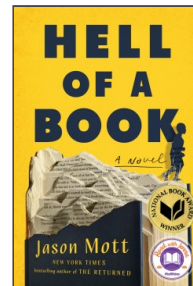
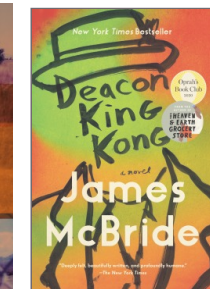
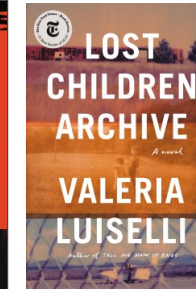
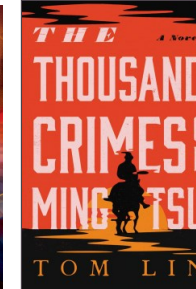
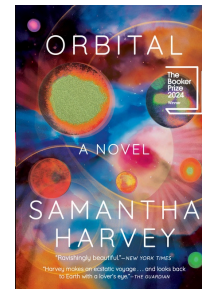
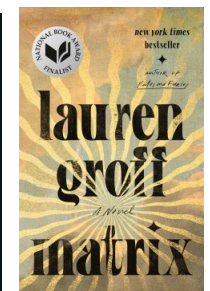
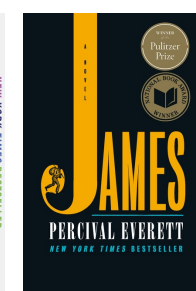
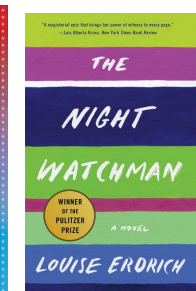
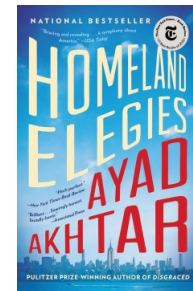
## The far field : a novel

by Madhuri Vijay

After the death of her mother, Shalini, a privileged young woman from Bangalore, arrives in Kashmir to confront a man from her mothers past but instead is brought face to face with the city's violent politics, forcing her to make a series of difficult choices.



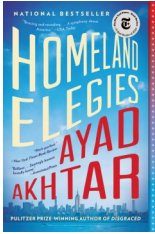
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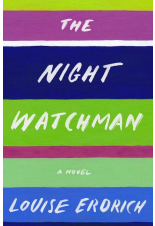
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## Homeland elegies : a novel

by Ayad Akhtar

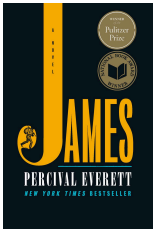
A deeply personal work about identity and belonging in a nation coming apart at the seams, Homeland Elegies blends fact and fiction to tell an epic story of longing and dispossession in the world that 9/11 made. Part family drama, part social essay, part picaresque novel, at its heart it is the story of a father, a son, and the country they both call home.



## The night watchman : a novel

by Louise Erdrich

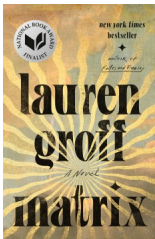
A historical novel based on the life of the National Book Award-winning author's grandfather traces the experiences of a Chippewa Council night watchman in mid-19th-century rural North Dakota who fights Congress to enforce Native American treaty rights.



## James

by Percival Everett

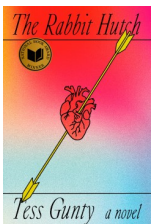
Describes the events of The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn through the eyes of the enslaved Jim, who decides to hide on nearby Jackson Island after learning he is to be sold to a man in New Orleans.



## Matrix

by Lauren Groff

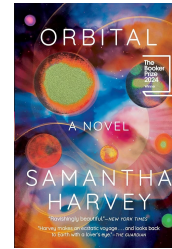
Cast out of the royal court, 17-year-old Marie de France, born the last in a long line of women warriors, is sent to England to be the new prioress of an impoverished abbey where she vows to chart a bold new course for the women she now leads and protects.



## The rabbit hutch

by Tess Gunty

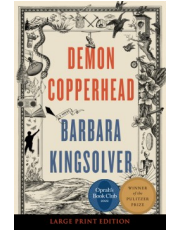
Set in the post-industrial Midwest, this story of loneliness and community, entrapment and freedom, follows Blandine, who lives with three other teens in a run-down apartment building known as the Rabbit Hutch, as she embarks on a quest for transcendence that culminates in a shocking act of violence.



## Orbital

by Samantha Harvey

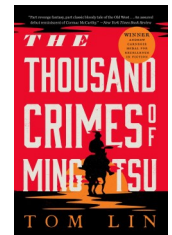
In an elegy to our humanity, environment and planet, six astronauts, selected for one of the last space station missions, leave their lives behind to travel at a speed of over 17,000 miles an hour to orbit Earth, witnessing the marks of civilization below.



## Demon Copperhead : a novel

by Barbara Kingsolver

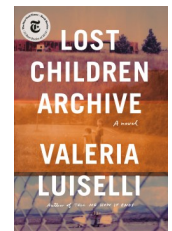
The teenage son of an Appalachian single mother who dies when he is eleven uses his good looks, wit, and instincts to survive foster care, child labor, addiction, disastrous loves, and crushing losses



## The thousand crimes of Ming Tsu : a novel

by Tom Lin

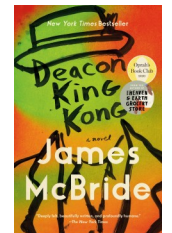
Fighting his way across the West to rescue his wife and exact revenge on the men who destroyed him, while settling old scores along the way, Ming Tsu is aided by a blind clairvoyant and a troupe of magic-show performers, some with supernatural powers.



## Lost children archive

by Valeria Luiselli

The award-winning author of Tell Me How It Ends traces a profoundly human family summer road trip across America that is shaped by historical and modern displacement tragedies as well as a growing rift between the two parents.



## Deacon King Kong

by James McBride

In the aftermath of a 1969 Brooklyn church deacons public shooting of a local drug dealer, the community's African-American and Latinx witnesses find unexpected support from each other when they are targeted by violent mobsters.