How Things Work
The Inner Life of Everyday Machines
Theodore Gray Photographs by Nick Mann | October 2019
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Million-copy bestselling author of The Elements, Molecules, and Reactions Theodore Gray applies his trademark mix of engaging stories, real-time experiments, and stunning photography to the inner workings of machines, big and small, revealing the extraordinary science, beauty, and rich history of everyday things.

Theodore Gray has become a household name among fans, both young and old, of popular science and mechanics. His readers love how he always brings the perfect combination of know-how, humor, and daring-do to every project or demonstration, be it scientific or mechanical. In How Things Work he explores the mechanical underpinnings of dozens of types of machines and mechanisms, from the cotton gin to the wristwatch to an industrial loom. Filled with stunning original photographs in Gray's inimitable style, How Things Work is a must-have exploration of stuff—large and small—for any builder, maker or lover of mechanical things.

Theodore Gray is the author of Reactions, The Elements, Molecules and Theodore Gray's Completely Mad Science: Experiments You Can Do At Home, But Probably Shouldn’t, and the creator of the bestselling iPad apps “Elements” and “Molecules.” Gray appeared on stage with Steve Jobs several times in his capacity as a software creator.

240 pages | 10” x 10” trim | 300 color photographs

Sold to PTPress (Chinese, simplified), Sogensha (Japanese), Younglim (Korean), Larousse (Spanish)
A gorgeous, coffee-table collection that captures the energy, excitement, and, of course, the love, behind Peanuts first-ever partnership and public art exhibition with seven major internationally renowned artists.

Launched in early 2018, the Peanuts Global Artist Collective is an international sensation that includes major public art displays in more than seven cities around the world. The artists selected to reinterpret the work of Charles Schulz are Nina Chanel Abney, AVAF (Assume Vivid Astro Focus), FriendsWithYou, Mr. A (Andre Saraiva), Tomokazu Matsuyama, Rob Pruitt, and Kenny Scharf. This beautifully designed and illustrated tie-in book collects the original works by each artist as well as interviews and information on what inspired their unique and delightful renditions of our favorite Peanuts characters. It also includes behind-the-scenes imagery and rarely seen material from the Peanuts archive.

Peanuts World Wide: The Peanuts comic strip is the most widely read comic strip in the world, with an audience of 355 million people in 75 countries. Elizabeth Anne Hartman is contributing editor to Publishers Weekly and a freelance writer for The Wall Street Journal.
The next book from Ben Orlin, the popular math blogger and author of the underground bestseller Math With Bad Drawings. Change Is The Only Constant is an engaging and eloquent exploration of the intersection between calculus and daily life, complete with Orlin's sly humor and wonderfully bad drawings.

Spinning 29 engaging modern tales about math, Orlin shows us that calculus is simply another language to express the very things we humans grapple with everyday—love, risk, time, and most importantly, change. Divided into two parts, "Moments" and "Eternities," and drawing inspiration from everyone from Sherlock Holmes to David Foster Wallace, Change Is The Only Constant demonstrates clear parallels between calculus, art, literature, and everyday life, making us all better mathematicians, yes, but more importantly teaching us to be more thoughtful humans.

Ben Orlin is the author of the blog Math With Bad Drawings as well as the book Math With Bad Drawings (BDL, 2018) He also writes on a variety of topics related to math and education for The Atlantic, The Chicago Tribune, The Los Angeles Times, Slate, and Business Insider.

304 pages | 7” x 9” trim | 200 two-color illustrations

Sold to Faces (Chinese, complex), United Sky (Chinese, simplified), Booklife (Korean), Alpina (Russian)

Additional publishers of Ben Orlin (Math with Bad Drawings): Lannoo (Dutch), Egitim (Turkish)
On April 15, 2019, the world looked on in horror as the Notre Dame Cathedral was nearly destroyed in a devastating fire. *Notre Dame de Paris: A Celebration of the Cathedral* offers a fascinating look back at nearly nine centuries of this landmark building that has stood as silent witness to some of the most important events in human history.

A marvel of Gothic architecture, construction on the Notre Dame Cathedral was begun in 1160 and completed in 1345. For almost nine centuries it has served as a house of worship and refuge—a stalwart soldier that has survived wars and revolutions, hosted royal weddings, coronations, and funerals, and inspired Victor Hugo's literary classic *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*. With the cathedral wounded but still standing, the world now watches as the rebuilding process gets underway. *Notre Dame de Paris: A Celebration of the Cathedral* chronicles the history of this landmark building, from its impressive architecture and collection of priceless artifacts to its presence during major world historical events. Through gorgeous, striking, and sometimes rarely seen archival photographs, *Notre Dame de Paris: A Celebration of the Cathedral* reminds us all why this building has become an unofficial wonder of the world, lodged in the hearts and minds of people around the globe.


128 pages | 7” x 9” trim | full color and b&w photographs throughout
Smart, actionable advice and life tips on how to improve your career, your home, your finances, your relationships, and your health for a happier life.

*Smarter Living* identifies 5 key areas for building a better life: Work, Nest, Invest, Relate, and Thrive. Each area contains advice curated from the column on topics such as the Art of the Out of Office Reply, the Annual Home Checklist, What to Do When You're Bad at Money, How to Maintain Friendships, and How to Be Better About Stress. Each entry breaks down these sometimes overwhelming topics into manageable tasks through clear and concise guidance, easy-to-follow lists, and informative sidebars. Thoughtfully designed with bright, four-color illustrations similar to those found in the section, *Smarter Living* will be a perennial reference on how to create a healthy and happy life.

256 pages | 7” x 9” trim | 50 full-color illustrations

Sold to Key Publications (Korean), Eksmo (Russian)
New York Times Real Estate columnists and home experts Ronda Kaysen and Michelle Higgins share their insider knowledge in this essential, all-in-one resource for how to buy, decorate, organize and maintain your space.

Whether you are shopping for a first home, renting a new apartment or are searching for smart and affordable ways to redecorate or reorganize, Right at Home is the book for you. Kaysen and Higgins have spent more than two decades interviewing experts and demystifying all aspects of home buying and care. This guide, drawn from their work, will be with you at every turn, whether you're unpacking the kitchen for the first time, moving in with your significant other, or figuring out what to do with all those baby bottles and sippy cups now that the last child is out of diapers and the cabinets are bursting. Including pro tips from experts such as Marie Kondo, Bunny Williams and Justina Blakeney, and a removable annual home maintenance checklist, Right at Home is the indispensable guide that you will return to again and again.

Ronda Kaysen and Michelle Higgins are columnists for The New York Times Real Estate section. Higgins is the creator of the "The Fix" column. She has served as a columnist and staff reporter at The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal. In more than a decade at The Times, her writing has appeared on page one as well as in the Travel, Real Estate, Business, Style and Metro sections. Kaysen, an award-winning journalist, created the "Right at Home" column and writes the "Ask Real Estate" column for The Times. In her decade at The Times, she has written features for the Style, Real Estate, Business and Metropolitan sections. She has also written for top publications including Architectural Digest and Architectural Record.
A special and deluxe illustrated hardcover edition of the inspirational, million-copy bestselling classic. The perfect gift for anyone journeying and questioning on the road of life.

Few books can be described as universal. And yet, *The Prophet*, by Lebanese-American author Kahlil Gibran, can only be described as that. Originally published in 1923, *The Prophet* is considered Gibran's masterpiece and is one of the most beloved spiritual classics of all time. Further cementing its status as a worldwide classic is the fact that it has been translated into over 100 different languages, making it one of the most translated books in history. Drawn from Gibran's own experience as an immigrant, *The Prophet* transcends generations, languages, and borders. In this beautiful meditation on the meaning of life, Al Mustafa, the prophet, is about to board a ship back to his homeland after 12 years spent living in exile in the city of Orphalese. Before he departs, he is stopped by a group of followers who ask him to share his wisdom. In twenty-six poetic essays, Al Mustafa offers profound and timeless insights on various aspects of life and the myriad impulses of the human heart and mind. He offers lessons on love, marriage, children, pain, friendship, beauty, religion, joy, knowledge, reason and passion, time, good and evil, pleasure, and death. A timeless spiritual touchstone, this gorgeously illustrated gift edition is perfect for graduating students, or for anyone searching for solace, peace, hope, and purpose in today's world.

**Kahlil Gibran (1883 - 1931)** was a Lebanese-American artist, poet, and writer. Born in Lebanon, as a young man Gibran emigrated to the United States with his family. Once settled, he focused his studies on art and literature, eventually writing in both English and Arabic. The author of many influential works, today Gibran is celebrated around the world as a literary hero. **R. Black** is a commercial artist who lives in Oakland, CA.

128 pages | 5” x 7 ½” trim | 15 two-color spot illustrations, 10 full-color illustrations
Socialism is a topic frequently invoked in today's political conversations, yet not many people fully understand it. This easy-to-follow guide explains the principles of the ideology and what socialism looks like in the world today.

The New Socialist Handbook is a simple way to learn about this political system and bear witness to its current movement with an educated and informed mind. It discusses topics such as:

- Different types of socialism (democratic socialism vs. social democracy vs. eco-socialism, etc.);
  - How socialism became a dirty word;
  - Which countries are socialist or have socialist programs;
- The way socialism exists in the U.S. today (Medicare, Social Security, etc.);
- Socialist suggestions for today's issues (healthcare, infrastructure, economy, etc.);
- What can you do to bring about change? (getting involved in politics, educating yourself, demonstrating, etc.);

Perfect for the engaged voter or the armchair political scientist, The New Socialist Handbook gives meaning and definition to the commonly misunderstood word. Author Dan Tucker breaks down these topics in a clear, accessible way and without a political slant.

Dan Tucker is a writer and editor living in Brooklyn. He is the founder of Sideshow Media, a New York-based independent producer of books and digital content focused on history, the arts, pop culture, and travel. He is the author of The Hamilton Collection.

192 pages | 4 ½” x 7” trim | 30 spot illustrations
A nostalgic, illustrated history of boy bands—perfect for passionate fans of the 90s and 2000s golden age of the genre (and beyond)—written by culture critic and super fan Maria Sherman.

The music, the fans, the choreography, the clothes, the merch, the hysteria... the hair. The pop phenomenon that dominated the 1990s and 2000s has left a long-lasting mark on culture, yet no book has fully celebrated them. *Larger Than Life* begins with a brief look at the history of boy bands starting with The Beatles and touching on groups from the 1970s and early 1980s like the Jackson 5 and Menudo. Sherman then moves on the heart of the book—the boy bands of the 80s, 90s, 2000s, and 2010s. Bands including NKOTB, Backstreet Boys, *NSYNC, One Direction, and K-Pop bands like BTS are given a capsule biography with spreads on solo careers (the good and the bad), one hit wonders, dating, in-fighting, haters, and more mini-essays interspersed throughout. Informative and funny but never fan-shaming, *Larger Than Life* is the ultimate nostalgic guide to the musical genre and proof that this once maligned musical genre should no longer be under-appreciated.

Maria Sherman is a cultural critic and boy band stan living in Brooklyn, NY. She is a senior writer at *Jezebel* and previously worked as a Managing Editor at Gizmodo Media Group, Senior Correspondent at Fuse TV and contributor at BuzzFeed Music. She has written for NPR, *Vulture, SPIN, Rolling Stone* and many other quality publications her mother has never heard of before. Also, Harry Styles ruined her life.

240 pages | 7” x 9” trim | 150 color illustrations
Off Grid Life
Your Ideal Home in the Middle of Nowhere
Foster Huntington | October 2020

Bestselling author Foster Huntington shares what it’s like to live by your own rules in this aspirational book filled with awe-inspiring photographs of unique homes in unexpected places.

After spending three years on the road living in a camper van, Foster Huntington continued his unconventional lifestyle by building a two-story treehouse. Foster, like many others, are finding freedom, tranquility, and adventure in living off the grid in unconventional homes—at least for a little while. Perfect for the fans of Van Life and Cabin Porn and those who yearn for a simpler existence, Off Grid Life showcases unique dwellings from all around the world. Organized into sections like tree houses, tiny houses, shipping containers, yurts, boathouses, barns, vans, and more, the 250 photographs enviable settings like stunning beaches, dramatic mountains and picturesque forests. Also included are images of fully designed interiors with kitchens and sleeping quarters as well as interviews with solo travelers, couples, and families who are living this new American dream.

Foster Huntington is a photographer and filmmaker from Skamania, Washington. In 2011, he travelled around the US in a camper van and began the popular tumblr account and hashtag, van-life.net. In 2014, he built a multi-platform treehouse known as the Cinder Cone in the Columbia River Gorge in Washington. He currently works on short films and photo projects in his studio.

Foster Huntington’s previous book, Van Life sold to: Little, Brown (UK), Grada (Czech), Gallimard (French), Christian Verlag (German), Prunsoop (Korean)

256 pages | 7” x 9” trim | 250 color photographs
BACKLIST AND RECENTLY PUBLISHED
The earliest evidence of a human and a pet can be traced to as far as France 26,000 years ago, where a boy and his dog took a walk through a cave. Their foot and paw prints were preserved together on the muddy cave floor, and smoke from the torch the boy carried was left on the walls, allowing archaeologists to carbon-date their journey. Acclaimed social anthropologist and author, Jacky Colliss Harvey, turns her prodigious story-telling skills to the history of animals as human companions in every-day life and in adversity, the development of breeding, our need to accessorize our pets, animals in children's stories, our desire to mourn our pets and send them to the afterlife, and how these attitudes have developed over time. Along the way Colliss Harvey regales us with story after wonderful story of famous, endearing, and sometimes eccentric pet owners throughout history.


304 pages | 6” x 8” trim | 30 full-color photographs in 2 16-page inserts

SOLD in Korea (Eulyoo), the UK (Allen & Unwin), and Germany (Knesebeck)
Perfect for stargazers and armchair astronomers of all ages, *Constellations* is a beautifully illustrated, fascinating guide to all 88 constellations. Beyond details about the constellation itself is information about every astronomical event that took place or discovery made in the vicinity of the constellation.

**Govert Schilling** is an award-winning astronomy writer whose work has appeared in New Scientist, Science, BBC Sky at Night Magazine, and Sky & Telescope and author of *Deep Space*. **Wil Tirion** is an award-winning astro-cartographer. His work has appeared in dozens of atlases, books, and magazines.

224 pages | 10” x 10” trim |200 color and b&w photographs, 88 star maps

Sold to: Fontaine (Dutch), Kosmos (German)
Consider the Platypus
Evolution through Biology’s Most Baffling Beasts
Maggie Ryan Sandford, Illustrations by Rodica Prato| August 2019

Consider the Platypus uses pets such as dogs and cats as well as animal outliers like the sloth and fruit fly to wittily tackle mind-bending concepts about evolution.

In addition to animal-specific spreads, Sandford will include core information to help readers easily understand the science, such as “What Even is an Animal?” and “Charles Darwin and the Evolution of Evolution,” as well as sidebars such as “Here Be Monsters” about animals so odd they went extinct, and the creepiest GMO creatures, like sexless frogs and glow-in-the-dark rabbits. Funny and fascinating, Consider the Platypus is ideal for fans of curious science who want to know more about genetics without busting their brain.

Maggie Ryan Sandford has been published in Smithsonian, Slate, Nautili.us, National Geographic, mental floss, Glamour, Comedy.Central.com, The Onion's A.V Club, and appeared regularly on All Things Considered and Freakonomics Tell Me Something You Don't Know. Rodica Prato’s award-winning pen-and-ink work has appeared in numerous magazines, newspapers, books and advertisements.

272 pages | 7 ¼” x 10 ¼” trim | 100 full-color illustrations

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