

# THE BOOKSTORE >



Spring / Summer 2022

Hello book-loving friends! We are welcoming this new season with open arms and are so ready for bright sunshine days & late sunsets, blooming flowers & block parties, and visits from all who travel during these warm-weather months to our seaside city. Spring is shaping up to be a busy time for us - we have lots of great events we'll be partnering on around Cape Ann. We've listed some in this newsletter, but be sure to check the 'Events' page on our website for updates! Enjoy this peek at our current favorites and most anticipated titles!

### **Staff Picks**



Arwen's Pick: Murmur of Bees MURMUR By Sofia Segovia Set during the Mexican Revolution and the 1918 influenza SOFÍA SECOVIA outbreak, Segovia's 'Murmur of Bees'

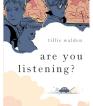
follows a mysterious boy, who sees visions of what's to come and is followed by a swarm of bees, and his adoptive family in their small village. As the boy grows up, he uses his gifts to protect his family and village from threats, both human and worldly.

Nicole's Pick: PET By Akwaeke Emezi PET imagines a world of safety and peace with no 'monsters':



the older citizens fought for this new world for their children. When the protagonist, Jam, brings forth a creature who says a monster is in their midst,

Iam must decide who to trust and contemplates what makes a monster. A truly remarkable story for readers of all ages!



### Aurelia's Pick:

Are You Listening? By Tillie Walden Walden's gorgeous drawings bring this story of a teen, Bea, on the run from their

past and a foreboding group of men to life. Bea meets Lou on the way out of town and the two learn to trust each other during a twisting and at times otherworldly trip.

Tegan's Pick: In Five Years By Rebecca Serle Successful lawyer Dannie Kohan feels like she has her life on the perfect track,



but after having a vision five years in her future, she is second-guessing her current life. Serle's 'In Five Years' is a quick, captivating read.



## New & Anticipated Releases

### Paperbacks:

Fresh Banana Leaves
By Jessica Hernandez, Ph.D.
Natural Science...Published 1/18

Educated
By Tara Westover
Memoir...Published 2/8

Bless the Daughter Raised By a Voice in Her Head By Warsan Shire Poetry...Published 3/1

Stories From Quarantine
By NYT
Short Stories...Published 3/22

The Code Breaker
By Walter Isaacson
Nonfiction...Publishing 5/3

Sweetness of Water
By Nathan Harris
Fiction...Publishing 5/3

Book Lovers
By Emily Henry
Fiction...Publishing 5/3

Love Songs of W.E.B. Du Bois By Honoree Fanonne Jeffers Fiction...Publishing 5/10

*The Bomber Mafia*By Malcolm Gladwell
Nonfiction...Publishing 6/7

1,001 Voices on Climate Change By Devi Lockwood Natural Science...Publishing 6/21 All the Frequent Troubles of Our Days By Rebecca Donner Nonfiction...Publishing 8/23

#### Hardcovers:

*The Maid*By Nita Prose
Mystery...Published 1/4

The Diamond Eye
By Kate Quinn
Fiction...Published 3/29

Half Baked Harvest Every Day By Tieghan Gerard Cookbook...Published 3/29

*Time Is a Mother*By Ocean Vuong
Poetry...Publishing 4/5

Sea of Tranquility By Emily St John Mandel SciFi/Fantasy...Publishing 4/5

*The Trayvon Generation*By Elizabeth Alexander
Nonfiction...Publishing 4/5

*Happy-Go-Lucky* By David Sedaris Essays...Publishing 5/31

Rebels At Sea By Eric Jay Dolin Nonfiction...Publishing 5/31

The It Girl
By Ruth Ware
Thriller...Publishing 7/12

## **Upcoming Events**

April 7th

Join us at T.O.H.P. Burnham (Essex Library, Floor 3) from 7-8pm for a conversation with author Billy Baker about his book We Need to Hang Out: A Memoir of Making Friends.

### April 30th

Sawyer Free Library is hosting the first Gloucester Comic Con - or 'GloCon' - from 10am-3pm. Leela Corman & Cathy G Johnson will host workshops! We'll have an assortment of comics and graphic novels for sale.

### May 12th

Sawyer Free Library welcomes Billy Baker, author of We Need to Hangout: A Memoir of Making Friends, to Gloucester for an event. Venue & time forthcoming.

### May 26th

William R Cross will discuss his new book Winslow Homer: American Passage at SFL from 6-7pm.

### June 4th

Mark your calendars! We're partnering with SFL & Cape Ann Museum for a very special book launch party! More details on our website & forthcoming.

Staff Favorites continued...



Charlee's Pick:
This Is Happiness
By Niall Williams
This story is above
all else, a portait of a
community and all

that encapsulates. In the small village of Faha, the rain has stopped falling but electricity is on its way. The story follows Noel and Christy and their chronicles of love lost and found.

Maggie Stern Stitches
Socks
\*Proceeds from
Sunflower Sock sales
donated to Ukraine by
MSS





for all ages

Lots of boxed & single greeting cards in store



Literary Candles

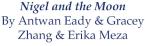
We will switch to Summer Hours at the end of May!



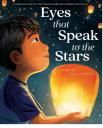
### YA & Kids Corner...



Loujain Dreams of Sunflowers By Lina Al-Hathloul & Uma Mishra-Newbery & Rebecca Green



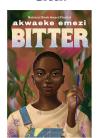




Eyes That Speak to the Stars By Joanna Ho & Dung Ho

Berry Song
By Michaela
Goade
Publishing 7/19





**Bitter** By Akwaeke Emezi



Secret Explorer Series
By S.J. King
New issues publishing
this Summer



Hollow Fires
By Samira Ahmed
Publishing 5/10

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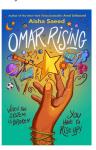
Across a Field of Starlight By Blue Delliquanti



By Margarita Longoria *Publishing 8/17* 



*Omar Rising* By Aisha Saeed



Ain't Burned All the Bright
By Jason Reynolds & Jason

Griffin



