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Check out some of our staff's favourite newly arrived and on-order books.

OUR SPOTLIGHT TITLE:

THE BEAR

by Andrew Krivak

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A mesmerizing lyrical fable about a girl and her father: the last two humans on Earth.

You'll want to savour this beautiful, haunting novel. A young girl lives with her father in the shadow of a mountain. He teaches her how to survive off the land, catching and growing the food they eat, and crafting their clothing and tools. Glimpses of humanity's past appear, but are seen as though from a great distance: stories of great cities long crumbled, a handful of tattered and stained books, precious pieces of glass passed down through generations of their family. The natural world has dominance again, and is gorgeously described in sparkling detail. On a fateful journey to the coast, when the girl is left to stand alone, she is rescued by a bear who speaks to her and teaches her that all nature has a voice.

The Bear reads like a fairy tale, featuring a girl lost in the wilderness, speaking to animals, and coming of age using the skills her father taught her. While exploring themes of loss, endurance, and harmony with nature, it offers a hopeful vision of the world returning to balance beyond human destruction.



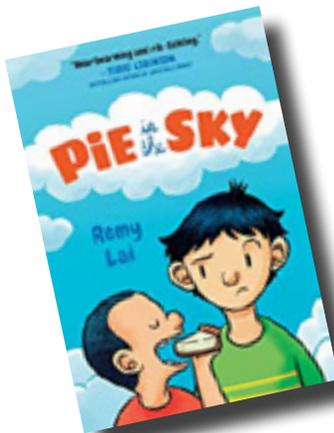
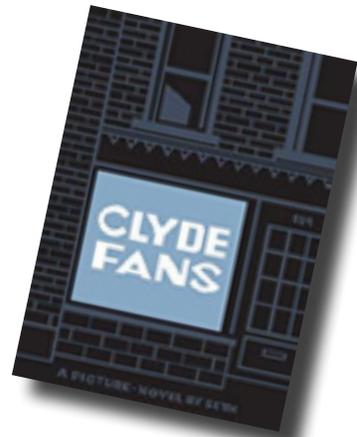
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ALSO TRY:

CLYDE FANS by Seth

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The first graphic novel to make the long list for the prestigious Giller Prize, this ambitious work of art is worth a deep read. Told slowly with lots of breathing room, Clyde Fans is a story of capitalism gone wrong and strained family relations. Seth's signature style carries the plot with its thick inky lines and muted colour scheme.



PIE IN THE SKY by Remy Lai

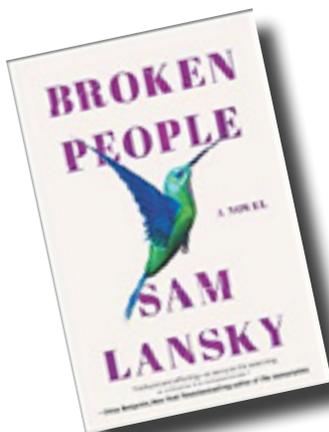
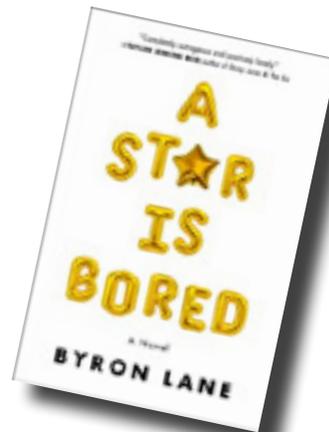
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This illustrated middle grade novel is perfect for fans of Diary of a Wimpy Kid. Jigwen and his pie-loving family move from China to Australia, but without knowledge of English, Jigwen feels as though they've moved to Mars. Poignant, sweet, and full of insight, this is a great choice for anyone wanting to learn more about the immigrant experience.

A STAR IS BORED by Byron Lane

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Kathi is a beloved movie star, known for her wild antics and her role in a blockbuster sci-fi. Charlie, her new personal assistant, is a mess. The two of them strike up an unlikely friendship, filled with spontaneous trips, once-in-a-lifetime opportunities, and eventually tension. This hilarious, touching novel is inspired by the author's experience working as an assistant to Carrie Fisher.



BROKEN PEOPLE by Sam Lansky

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A searing story of selfishness, pain, and human connection. Sam's curiosity is peaked when he hears about an "open-soul surgeon," and he signs up for a weekend with a master healer. But he ends up facing much more than he expected. This modern parable touches on the alluring world of modern mysticism, our relationships with ourselves, and reckoning with one's past.



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