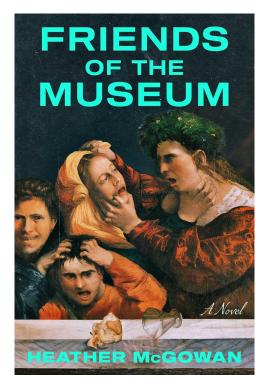
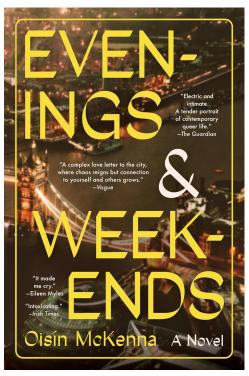
Librarian's Book-of-the-Week--June 2025



FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUM **Heather McGowan**Literary Fiction

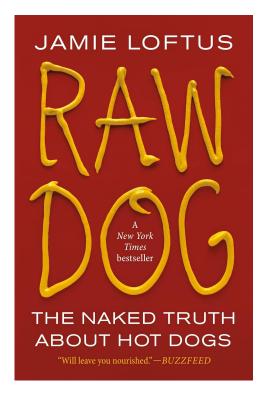
Washington Square Press, April 15, 2025

When Diane Schwebe, the director of a prominent New York museum, receives a pre-dawn call about a potentially stolen artifact, the story is set in motion. But this isn't a thriller. It's a layered character study masquerading as a workplace farce. This is literary fiction in its truest form: asking more questions than it answers, finding the sublime in the mundane, and trusting the reader to assemble meaning from shards.



EVENINGS AND WEEKENDS Oisin McKenna Novel Mariner Books, May 20, 2025

Set largely over one sweltering June 2019 weekend, this sparkling first novel follows a multi-generational cast of characters through a London heatwave as their tensions and secrets come to a head. McKenna toggles among the different characters and storylines with aplomb. What emerges is an empathetic portrait of millennials trying to build lives for themselves amid social, political, and ecological change.

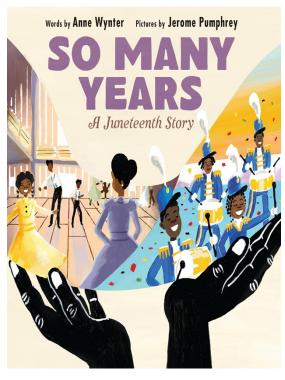


RAW DOG

Jamie Loftus

Non-Fiction
Forge Books, May 13, 2025

Part travelogue, part culinary history, all capitalist critique—comedian Jamie Loftus's debut, Raw Dog, will take you on a cross-country road trip in the summer of 2021, and reveal what the creation, culture, and class influence of hot dogs says about America now.



SO MANY YEARS: A JUNETEENTH STORY Anne Wynter

Children, Ages 4-8 Clarion Books, May 6, 2025

Oh, how you would dance! How you would sing! How you would celebrate! With lyrical text from Anne Wynter and radiant artwork from Jerome Pumphrey, this poetic picture book explains the history behind Juneteenth celebrations. So Many Years acknowledges the history of slavery in the US as well as the astonishing Black resilience that has led to an enduring legacy of Black joy.