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-- **Adult fiction (10 minutes):** <https://anchor.fm/taryn-fagerness/episodes/Taryn-talks-Adult-Fiction-spring-2022-highlights-e1f2b3v>

-- **Adult non-fiction (8 minutes):** <https://anchor.fm/taryn-fagerness/episodes/Taryn-talks-Adult-Non-fiction-spring-2022-highlights-e1f2b6c>

-- **Romance (7 minutes):** <https://anchor.fm/taryn-fagerness/episodes/Taryn-talks-Romance-spring-2022-highlights-e1f2b82>

-- **Young adult (9 minutes):** <https://anchor.fm/taryn-fagerness/episodes/Taryn-talks-Young-Adult-spring-2022-highlights-e1f2au6>

-- **Middle-grade and children's picture books (10 minutes):** <https://anchor.fm/taryn-fagerness/episodes/Taryn-talks-Middle-grade-and-Childrens-Picture-Book-spring-2022-highlights-e1f2b1c>

HIGHLIGHTS

ADULT FICTION

-- **WOMEN ARE THE FIERCEST CREATURES** by **Andrea Dunlop**, in this dramatic up-market fiction title, a social media tech-titan's baby goes missing on the eve of his company's IPO, and, in a mix of dramatic flashbacks and present day investigation, we meet the women in his life who have been keeping his secrets—and who are ready to see the house of cards fall. Pg. 13

-- **THE MEMORY KEEPER OF KYIV** by **Erin Litteken**, the world's eyes are on Ukraine, and this dual-POV women's fiction tells the story of a young widow who discovers her grandmother's journal, written in Ukrainian, and the long-buried secrets of her family's past (her grandmother survived the Ukrainian Holodomor). Pg. 20

-- **THE WITCHES OF MOONSHYNE MANOR** by **Bianca Marais**, when an angry mob of townspeople advances upon five octogenarian witches' home and distillery, the witches will have to find a hidden treasure to save their home in this funny, tender, and uplifting story of found family and friendships. Pg. 23

-- **214 PALMER STREET** by **Karen McQuestion**, when Sarah, a woman with her own tragic past, discovers some suspicious lies, she sets out to (literally) dig up the truth, in this gripping suspense by the #1 Kindle bestselling author of *The Moonlight Child*. Pg. 25

-- **JOHANNA PORTER REGRETS NOTHING** by **Sara Read**, in this debut novel, a former art star and current soccer mom steals a world-famous portrait of herself and goes on a poignant, funny, and emotional journey of self-reflection and questionable choices. Pg. 33

And don't miss these highlights from the fall:

-- **LOVE IN THE TIME OF SERIAL KILLERS** by **Alicia Thompson**, a sparkling and funny debut romance about a PhD candidate who thinks everyone (including her cute neighbor) is a serial killer. Listen to my 5-minute podcast [here](#). Pg. 36

-- **EAST WIND WESTERN SKIES** by **Janie Chang**, an illuminating historical novel told from the

perspectives of two women who become close friends when their paths converge at the Chinese Labor Corps camp on the French-Belgian boarder during WWI. Pg. 6

ADULT NON-FICTION

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- **RECOLTURING** by Melissa Daimler, “corporate culture” is a hot button term, and this actionable guide by a corporate culture expert (who has worked with Adobe, Twitter, and more) shows exactly how to drive business sustainability, growth, and profits by taking a systematic approach to culture transformation. Pg. 48
- **YOU’RE GOING TO BE OKAY** by Madeline Popelka, a super approachable and hopeful book written by the creator of @HealingFromPTSD, the largest trauma healing community on Instagram, in which each chapter is inspired by the top-performing posts from the page. This book makes healing feel possible! Pg. 67
- **THE RESCUE EFFECT** by Michael Mehta Webster, if you’re tired of doom-and-gloom climate books, this is the book you need! It is a (cautiously) optimistic and fascinating exploration of “the rescue effect,” systems by which nature helps heal itself when environments change. The subtitle of this book is: *The Key to Saving Life on Earth*. Yes! Pg. 71

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- **METHUSALEH’S ZOO** by Steven Austad, a surprising and entertaining look at animal longevity. Already sold to China, Korea, and Japan. Listen to my 5-minute podcast [here](#). Pg. 42
- **SOMEDAY IS TODAY** by Matthew Dicks, a master of getting creative things done shares how he makes it happen (and you can too) in 22 simple, actionable steps. Pg. 52

ROMANCE:

- **WINDOW SHOPPING** by Tessa Bailey, in this sizzling, stand-alone, feel-good holiday romance by TikTok sensation Tessa Bailey, a combat-boot-wearing window dresser falls for the holiday-tie-wearing manager of the Manhattan department store where she works during the most wonderful time of the year! Pg. 3
- **THE COREY EFFECT** by Casey Dembowski, in this charming contemporary romance when Andi Scott returns to her hometown she’s stunned to find her former first love working for her father, and she must reconcile the boy she loved with the man she could love again. #swoon Pg. 11
- **NEVER RESCUE A ROGUE** by Virginia Heath, a hilarious, sparkling romantic comedy for fans of *Bridgerton*; Diana and Giles can’t tolerate each other, but then Giles needs Diana to help uncover a family secret and working together proves romantic. The author’s previous book already sold to France, Germany, Romania, Slovenia, and Spain. Pg. 15
- **COURT OF THE VAMPIRE QUEEN** by Katee Robert, from the author of the TikTok sensation and *USA Today* bestselling *Neon Gods* (#neongods has over 25 million views) comes three erotic vampire novellas all rolled into one sexy package. Pg. 21

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- **THE BEST MEN** by Lauren Blakely & Sarina Bowen, a powerhouse duo of authors team up to write the

most tantalizing M/M romance of the year! Pg. 7

-- **KILLER INSTINCT** by **Tawna Fenske**, this series opener about three hitmen who settle in the rural Oregon suburbs and attempt to live normal lives is the perfect combination of suspenseful and funny. Pg. 13

-- **MEANT TO BE** by **Jennifer Probst**, the first book in Jennifer's new *Twist of Fate* series, finds Chiara falling for her best friend's widower in a true twist of fate! Pg. 19

YOUNG ADULT:

-- **WHEN YOU WISH UPON A LANTERN** by **Gloria Chao**, from this widely critically acclaimed author comes a romantic comedy about two friends who attempt to save the family store by helping make customer wishes come true. Pg. 5

-- **HOW YOU GROW WINGS** by **Rimma Onoseta**, an emotionally riveting novel for fans of Ibi Zoboi and Erika L. Sánchez about two sisters in Nigeria on their journey to break free of an oppressive home. Pg. 26

-- **MERE MORTALS** by **Erin Jade Lange**, imagine if Cher from the classic movie *Clueless* was a vampire...and now imagine that she, and her brother, have been banished from the vampire community to be one of the worst things imaginable: human! Listen to my 5-minute podcast [here](#). Pg. 18

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-- **SEE YOU YESTERDAY** by **Rachel Lynn Solomon**, Barrett Bloom's first day of university could not have gone worse...and then she has to live it over again, and again (and again), in this delightful time loop rom-com. Listen to my 5-minute podcast [here](#). Pg. 30

-- **TALK SANTA TO ME** by **Linda Urban**, Christmas, Christmas, and more Christmas! This rom-com is Christmas to the max as Frankincense (call her Francie) falls for a cutie who works at the tree lot next door to her family's holiday shop. Pg. 34

And don't miss these highlights from the fall:

-- **OVER MY DEAD BODY** by **Sweeny Boo**, from comic sensation Sweeny Boo comes a wickedly cool graphic novel about girls at an institute of witchcraft. Pg. 4

-- **GIDEON GREEN IN BLACK AND WHITE** by **Katie Henry**, Gideon Green helps a friend investigate a mystery for the school newspaper, a case that gets bigger than anyone could have expected....Already sold to France and Germany. Listen to my 5-minute podcast [here](#). Pg. 14

MIDDLE-GRADE:

-- **ONE TRUE WISH** by **Lauren Kate**, from the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Fallen*, comes a debut middle-grade about a wish-granting fairy who loses her power and the three children who will have to summon a new kind of magic to save her. Pg. 42

-- **THE HIKE TO HOME** by **Jess Rinker**, it doesn't get any better than three friends braving the wilderness to find a castle in this wonderful middle-grade about adventure and growing up. Pg. 49

-- **I AM THE WALRUS** by **Neal Shusterman and Eric Elfman**, from the bestselling duo who brought you *Tesla's Attic*, comes an exciting middle-grade about a boy who carries within him the genetic code for every animal on the planet—and certain animal characteristics crop up in times of high emotion! Pg. 50

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-- **HILDE ON THE RECORD** by **Hilde Lysiak and Matthew Lysiak**, the real-life 13-year-old newspaper publisher tells her own story of becoming an investigative reporter and worldwide sensation. Pg. 45

- **THE CROOKED DOOR** by Brad McLelland & Louis Sylvester, what lies beyond the Crooked Door....? Pg. 46
- **WRETCHED WATERPARK** by Kiersten White, a debut middle-grade from a #1 *New York Times* author that follows a trio of siblings as they investigate some strange circumstances at a hilariously macabre waterpark. Already sold to Spain. Pg. 51

CHILDREN'S PICTURE BOOKS:

- **BETTER THAN NEW/MEJOR QUE NEUVO** by Robert Broder, illustrated by Lake Buckley, this boldly colored, beautiful picture book couldn't have a more relevant/important message as it follows two children as they remove a net from a trapped seal and discover their ability to help our oceans. Pg. 55
- **THE SEA IN THE WAY** written and illustrated by Sophie Gilmore, with wonderful, soft illustrations Badger tries to figure out a way to cross the sea and visit his friend Bear, but sometimes learning what you have on your own shore is important too. Pg. 57

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- **TELL ME PLEASANT THINGS ABOUT IMMORTALITY** by Lindsay Wong, from wildly critically acclaimed and bestselling author Lindsay Wong's comes a haunting, at times brutal, and undoubtably raw new short-story collection. Pg. 40

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- **OUR MAN IN TOKYO** by Steve Kemper, a gripping, behind-the-scenes account of the personalities and contending forces in Tokyo during the volatile decade that led to World War II, as seen through the eyes of the American ambassador who attempted to stop the slide to war. Pg. 60
- **SALT, LEMONS, VINEGAR, BAKING SODA** by Benjamin Mott, this brilliant book shows you how to make everything from shampoo to disinfectants to pot cleaner to zipper "unsticker" using extraordinarily simple ingredients. Perfect for our toxin conscience times. Pg. 63

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-- **THEN EVERYTHING HAPPENS AT ONCE** by M-E Girard, sexually inexperienced fat-girl Baylee has had all kinds of crushes but never any real action, and then a scary pandemic changes all the rules and Baylee must decide whether to do the responsible thing, or just wing it and mess everything up to get what she's been yearning for. Pg. 11

-- **BREAK THIS HOUSE** by Candice Iloh, from Printz Honor-winning and National Book Award-finalist Candice Iloh comes a prose novel about a teenager reckoning with her family's—and her home town's—secrets. Pg. 16

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Please let me or my [co-agents](#) know what you'd like to see!

All best wishes,

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