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**The Widow and the Orphan**

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The third novel in this series. Sadly, Tom Swift has given up on the governments of the world. After fifty years of trying to help mankind and being instrumental in setting up colonies on Venus, Mars, and numerous moons throughout the outer solar system, he and ten thousand colonist, family and former employees have left the home system forever. Their destination has been to explore the Pleiades star constellation with hopes of locating a new, human-friendly home planet. Along with them are the remnants of the dinosaur race he once thought of as his "space friends." The uneasy peace between them is softened by the fact their Prime Leader is a human. The only problem is that his bride, Phyllis Newton, is the human who has become the Prime Leader of the dinosaurs. She and their asteroid ship start out for the same place as Tom and his more conventional ship, but they soon are separated by millions of light years, and even by the sum total of time itself. As each group encounters new beings and new challenges, they find the universe is a pretty hostile place to be.

### **Military Responses to the Arab Uprisings and the Future of Civil-Military Relations in the Middle East**

Orbiting one another's lives, yet never intersecting, a clandestine meeting finally pushes Opal Fischer within Ginny Jamison's path. In the past, in the present, and in the future, both women make a major impact on the lives of the Blended Family. They worry more about their loved ones than themselves, pushing their needs and wants to the back-burner. They themselves

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are the only ones in their own path to true happiness, by holding onto the debilitating wounds of the past and refusing to let go of their visions of the future. Opal's lifelong adage: the sin isn't in the wanting; it's in the taking. Will Ginny be able to make Opal realize the sin is actually in the regret of never taking what you want, what you so rightfully deserve? Wanton (Blended #4) is a full-length Contemporary Romance novel featuring the slowly budding relationship between two females. Warning: a glimpse into future Blended Series books, with sensually erotic scenes featuring f/f & f/f/m. Wanton is approximately 67,000 words in length.

### **Neoliberal Governmentality and the Future of the State in the Middle East and North Africa**

I waited until the last two years of high school to take Spanish and am now one of only three seniors; Sam and Rob are the others. Every day we have to conjugate verbs and today, the teacher was in a rare mood. Amar: to love That's what I associated with Rob Holland, the newest student at Naylorville High who somehow has the power to make me blush, stammer and trip all at once. Molestar: to annoy That should be Sam Seeley's middle name. Since seventh grade he has annoyed me to the point where I should earn a gold medal for ignoring him. Matar: to kill This is what I want to do to the person putting black origami roses in my locker, writing hateful notes, rude emails and texts and throwing a rock at my bedroom window. Nadar: to swim My one talent. A college scholarship I

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desperately need. Something I never thought I wouldn't be able to do until an "accident" cuts my swim season short. Aprender: to learn I have a lot to learn. About Rob and how emotionally stunted a person can be. About Sam and how his life isn't better than anyone else's. About how one friend's mental illness can have lasting effects. About love. About myself Lane Meyers.

## **A Game for Swallows**

Pepper Taylor took it on the chin in love and life more times than she cared to count. She has finally found the man of her dreams in Gabriel Seigal, but when he's diagnosed with a crippling illness, their future comes apart at the seams. As if that isn't enough, the prospect of an unexpected child give their world another spin in the cosmic blender. Can Pepper navigate the overwhelming paths through grief, loss, and unexpected motherhood?

## **Boundaries**

The Gaysh tells the story of the emergence of an army following early attempts to protect the trade routes in and through Aden. From the first commercial treaty with the Abdali Sultan in 1802, various efforts were made to avoid looting, leading to the annexing of Aden Port by the East India Company in 1839. It was not until the Turks threatened to invade in the First World War that a regular army unit was formed. The 1st Yemen Infantry did not see action, and there was a move, on financial grounds, to disband it in

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1928. Because a need remained, the decision was taken to replace its policing role by airpower, supported by a small force of levies to defend the bases, including a camel corps. The book takes that story on, chronologically, through the Aden Protectorate Levies' growing strength and its relationship with the British Government and its policies. It includes its part in the Silver Jubilee celebration parade in 1935, pre-1939 military operations, its role in WWII, its involvement in the evacuation of the Jews following the Arab/Jewish riots in Crater in 1947, and on to the creation of the Federation and the withdrawal of the British Army in 1967.

## **The Arab of the Future 2**

Big worlds come in coin-sized packages. In a world ruled by money, a lone 1938 Jefferson nickel stands a penny short. Minus a cent, but having discovered within him a million bucks of fantastic, Ned Nickel sallies forth to save Coinworld from a worthless future. Shunned by his fellow coins, but sought after by dogged collectors, 4cents Ned learns that he has a most daunting destiny. With the help of a sagacious Indian nickel and a shabby and luckless Lincoln wheat penny, Ned becomes "The Four," champion of small change everywhere. Ned must navigate the ever-changing currents of commerce as he battles for justice and searches for the love of his life, a 1922 Peace Dollar named Franny. Beginning in 1949, Ned and his team of Raider Special Forces roll frolicking forward through the years in their attempt to save

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Coinworld-and perhaps the entire universe-from a valueless future. 4cents Ned is e pluribus awesome. The Amazing Adventures of 4cents Ned is Book One in the Coinworld

## **Envisioning the Arab Future**

**The Life of Abdel Kader, Ex-Sultan of the Arabs of Algeria; written from his own dictation, and compiled from other authentic sources**

## **Dare I Express It**

This book reinterprets US-Arab relations by examining conflicts between American Cold War policies and the modernizing visions of Arab nationalists, Islamists, and communists.

## **The Life of Abdel Kader, Ex-sultan of the Arabs of Algeria**

If you've read Volume I of the Dare I Express It poetry series then you already know you're in for a sure treat! In Volume I, you experienced dramatic poems and explanations that embraced Life's Seasons and Judgements . Talented author and mastermind Leandrea Rivers, begins Volume II with a world wind of poems that will have you spinning from page to page . You'll move past sad times by breaking down

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walls of mistrust and hurt. and instead, discover a "new happy." Join her as she: exposes the dangers of "the power of the tongue," helps you relinquish the need for negative behavior patterns, and guides you in directions that create rich, long-lasting, positive relationships. Volume II takes you on a progressive journey where you will acquire a fuller understanding of how effective communication enhances your life and relationships. Dwayne McLendon can't say that he knows what every man wants and needs, but what he can offer is his encouragement for men to 'stay in the ring . As revealed in Volume I, McLendon has had his fair share of love interests and has experienced many of life's up and downs-be assured, he knows "a little something" about relationships. His life hasn't been "a walk in the park" admittedly, due to his addictions and vices. Volume II as takes you even farther. He knows that he is not alone . Join him as fatherhood, faith, prayer and a true will to survive transforms him into a more confident and stronger man who now mentors others. Catch your breath and dive with us into a sea of positive depths . Dare I Express It Volume II-are you ready?

### **The Levant Express**

To understand contemporary Iraq and the ongoing crisis in the Middle East, no book provides a surer guide or more unsettling experience, written as it was for another war, another army, and another time. Gertrude Bell for a fleeting moment was the optimistic progenitor of the Iraq that today is becoming unglued.

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**Brothers of the Gun**

VOLUME 1 IN THE UNFORGETTABLE STORY OF AN EXTRAORDINARY CHILDHOOD The Arab of the Future tells the unforgettable story of Riad Sattouf's childhood, spent in the shadows of three dictators - Muammar Gaddafi, Hafez al-Assad, and his father. A GUARDIAN BOOK OF THE YEAR | AN OBSERVER GRAPHIC BOOK OF THE YEAR | A NEW YORK TIMES CRITICS' TOP BOOK OF THE YEAR 'I tore through it The most enjoyable graphic novel I've read in a while' Zadie Smith 'I joyously recommend this book to you' Mark Haddon 'Riad Sattouf is one of the great creators of our time' Alain De Botton 'Beautifully-written and drawn, witty, sad, fascinating Brilliant' Simon Sebag Montefiore In a striking, virtuoso graphic style that captures both the immediacy of childhood and the fervour of political idealism, Riad Sattouf recounts his nomadic childhood growing up in rural France, Gaddafi's Libya, and Assad's Syria - but always under the roof of his father, a Syrian Pan-Arabist who drags his family along in his pursuit of grandiose dreams for the Arab nation. Riad, delicate and wide-eyed, follows in the trail of his mismatched parents: his mother, a bookish French student, is as modest as his father is flamboyant. Venturing first to the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab State and then joining the family tribe in Homs, Syria, they hold fast to the vision of the paradise that always lies just around the corner. And hold they do, though food is scarce, children kill dogs for sport, and with locks banned, the Sattoufs come home one day to discover another family occupying their apartment. The ultimate outsider, Riad, with his

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## **The Internet in the Arab World**

*Armies of Sand* asks, 'why have Arab militaries fought so poorly in the modern era?' It examines the performance of over two-dozen Arab militaries from 1948 to 2017, and compares them to a half-dozen non-Arab militaries, to conclude that politics, economics, and culture all contributed to the past weakness of Arab armies.

## **Islam, State, and Modernity**

## **The Arab of the Future**

Tackling the issue in a systematic, scientific manner, this book also examines Islamic online

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communications, online censorship, and Internet use by the civic society as an alternative channel for its mostly oppressed voices.

## **The Arab of the Future**

Be a part of the future, live, feel, and dream. This is the first step of the journey, once you begin you will live as one of the individuals in Requisition. You will learn and grow as they learn and grow. You will feel as they feel and experience their encounters. You will dream as they dream and your desires will be their desires. Step into the future and take charge, will you be for the group taking control? Will you be for peace? Or will you be for sole total dominance? The time is now, take it and embrace it, it's yours.

## **The Death of the Nation and the Future of the Arab Revolution**

## **The Ministry for the Future**

Established in 2025, the purpose of the new organisation was simple: To advocate for the world's future generations and to protect all living creatures, present and future. It soon became known as the Ministry for the Future, and this is its story. From legendary science fiction author Kim Stanley Robinson comes a vision of climate change unlike any ever imagined. Told entirely through fictional eye-witness accounts, The Ministry For The Future is a masterpiece of the imagination, the story of how

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climate change will affect us all over the decades to come. Its setting is not a desolate, post-apocalyptic world, but a future that is almost upon us - and in which we might just overcome the extraordinary challenges we face. It is a novel both immediate and impactful, desperate and hopeful in equal measure, and it is one of the most powerful and original books on climate change ever written. Also by Kim Stanley Robinson: Red Moon New York 2140 2312 Aurora Shaman

## **Lane Changes**

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## **The Arab of the Future 3**

The Ottomans ruled much of the Arab World for four centuries. Bruce Masters's work surveys this period, emphasizing the cultural and social changes that occurred against the backdrop of the political realities that Arabs experienced as subjects of the Ottoman sultans. The persistence of Ottoman rule over a vast area for several centuries required that some Arabs collaborate in the imperial enterprise. Masters highlights the role of two social classes that made the empire successful: the Sunni Muslim religious scholars, the ulama, and the urban notables, the acyan. Both groups identified with the Ottoman sultanate and were its firmest backers, although for different reasons. The ulama legitimated the Ottoman state as a righteous Muslim sultanate, while the acyan emerged as the dominant political and economic class in most Arab cities due to their connections to the regime. Together, the two helped to maintain the empire.

## **The Arab of the Future 4**

The highly anticipated continuation of Riad Sattouf's internationally acclaimed, #1 French bestseller, which was hailed by The New York Times as "a disquieting yet essential read" In The Arab of the Future: Volume 1, cartoonist Riad Sattouf tells of the first years of his childhood as his family shuttles back and forth between France and the Middle East. In Libya and Syria, young Riad is exposed to the dismal reality of a life where food is scarce, children kill dogs for sport, and his cousins, virulently anti-Semitic and convinced he is Jewish because of his blond hair, lurk around every corner waiting to beat him up. In Volume 2, Riad, now settled in his father's hometown of Homs, gets to go to school, where he dedicates himself to becoming a true Syrian in the country of the dictator Hafez Al-Assad. Told simply yet with devastating effect, Riad's story takes in the sweep of politics, religion, and poverty, but is steered by acutely observed small moments: the daily sadism of his schoolteacher, the lure of the black market, with its menu of shame and subsistence, and the obsequiousness of his father in the company of those close to the regime. As his family strains to fit in, one chilling, barbaric act drives the Sattoufs to make the most dramatic of changes. Darkly funny and piercingly direct, The Arab of the Future, Volume 2 once again reveals the inner workings of a tormented country and a tormented family, delivered through Riad Sattouf's dazzlingly original talent.

## **Hermit of Hisarya (Bulgarian Version)**

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A surprisingly hopeful assessment of the prospects for human rights in the Middle East, and a blueprint for advancing them The enormous sense of optimism unleashed by the Arab Spring in 2011 soon gave way to widespread suffering and despair. Of the many popular uprisings against autocratic regimes, Tunisia's now stands alone as a beacon of hope for sustainable human rights progress. Libya is a failed state; Egypt returned to military dictatorship; the Gulf States suppressed popular protests and tightened control; and Syria and Yemen are ravaged by civil war. Challenging the widely shared pessimism among regional experts, Micheline Ishay charts bold and realistic pathways for human rights in a region beset by political repression, economic distress, sectarian conflict, a refugee crisis, and violence against women. With due attention to how patterns of revolution and counterrevolution play out in different societies and historical contexts, Ishay reveals the progressive potential of subterranean human rights forces and offers strategies for transforming current realities in the Middle East.

### **Tom Swift and His Translocation Matrix**

The penultimate installment in the bestselling French graphic memoir series—hailed as “exquisitely illustrated” and “irresistible”—covering the years of Riad Sattouf’s adolescence, from 1987-1992. In the fourth volume of *The Arab of the Future*, little Riad has grown into a teenager. In the previous books, his childhood was complicated by the pull of his two cultures—French and Syrian—and his parents’

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deteriorating relationship. Now his father, Abdel-Razak, has left to take a job in Saudi Arabia, and after making a pilgrimage to Mecca, turns increasingly towards religion. But after following him from place to place and living for years under the harsh conditions of his impoverished village, Riad's mother Clementine has had enough. Refusing to live in a country where women have no rights, she returns with her children to live in France with her own mother until Abdel-Razak shows up unexpectedly to drag the family on yet another journey. As the series builds to a climax, we see Riad struggle with problems both universal (bullies at school) and specific (his mother's sudden illness, the judgment of his religious relatives). And as Abdel-Razak returns again to the same fantastical dreams he pursued in previous books, we see him become more and more unhinged, until ultimately he crosses the line from idealism to fanaticism, leading to a dramatic breaking point. Full of the same gripping storytelling and lush visual style for which Sattouf's previous works have won numerous awards, *The Arab of the Future 4* continues the saga of the Sattouf family and their peripatetic life in France and the Middle East.

## **Armies of Sand**

Reproduction of the original: *A Journey in Other Worlds* by John Jacob Astor

## **Path of the Templar**

In the third installment of the acclaimed series, the

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Sattouf family begins to implode under the pressure of Hafez al-Assad's regime and the suffocation of their rural Syrian village. The Arab of the Future is the widely acclaimed, internationally bestselling graphic memoir that tells the story of Riad Sattouf's peripatetic childhood in the Middle East. In the first volume, which covers the years 1978-1984, his family moves between rural France, Libya, and Syria, where they eventually settle in his father's native village of Ter Maaleh, near Homs. The second volume recounts young Riad's first year attending school in Syria (1984-1985), where he dedicates himself to becoming a true Syrian in the country of Hafez al-Assad. In this third volume, (1985-1987), Riad's mother, fed up with the grinding reality of daily life in the village, decides she cannot take it any longer. When she resolves to move back to France, young Riad sees his father torn between his wife's aspirations and the weight of family traditions.

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### **Wanton**

In this second book of *The Jumper Chronicles*, twelve-year-old Charlie and his mates discover an ancient compass that stubbornly refuses to point north. Instead, it steers them down a treacherous tunnel, each step taking them deeper into a world of dog-eating trolls, cross-dressing gods, and motorcycle-riding dwarves. As a cloak of darkness threatens to envelop the fellowship, Charlie loses his best friend, discovers true love, and is embraced by unexpected allies who guide him to a long-forgotten treasure that

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will change the world forever.

## **A Journey in Other Worlds**

Civic entrepreneurship lies at the heart of the Arab Spring. From the iconic image of an occupied Tahrir Square to scenes of dancing protesters in Syria and politically conscious hip hop in Tunisia, people across the Middle East and North Africa continue to collaborate and experiment their way out of years of dictatorship and political stagnation. The Future of the Arab Spring examines the spirit of civic entrepreneurship that brought once untouchable dictators to their knees and continues to shape the region's political, artistic, and technology sectors. Through interviews with some of the region's leading civic entrepreneurs, including political activists, artists, and technologists, Maryam Jamshidi broadens popular understandings of recent events in this misunderstood region of the world. Features first-hand interviews with some of the most important political, cultural, and economic players on the ground in Egypt, Yemen, Tunisia, and other Arab Spring countries Offers a window into a region often misunderstood in the United States Illuminates the potential for positive, grassroots change in the social, political, and economic systems of Arab countries

## **The Arab**

This book offers the first comprehensive introduction to one of the most significant Arab thinkers of the late 20th century and the early 21st century: the

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Moroccan philosopher and social theorist Mohammed Abed al-Jabri. With his intellectual and political engagement, al-Jabri has influenced the development of a modern reading of the Islamic tradition in the broad Arab-Islamic world and has been, in recent years, subject to an increasing interest among Muslims and non-Muslim scholars, social activists and lay men. The contributors to this volume read al-Jabri with reference to prominent past Arab-Muslim scholars, such as Ibn Rushd, al-Ghazali, al-Shatibi, and Ibn Khaldun, as well as contemporary Arab philosophers, like Hassan Hanafi, Abdellah Laroui, George Tarabishi, Taha Abderrahmane; they engage with various aspects of his intellectual project, and trace his influence in non-Arab-Islamic lands, like Indonesia, as well. His analysis of Arab thought since the 1970s as a harbinger analysis of the ongoing "Arab Spring uprising" remains relevant for today's political challenges in the region.

### **Iraq and Gertrude Bell's The Arab of Mesopotamia**

"If you want to better understand how today's headlines might be fulfilling biblical prophecy, then read this book This book will help ensure that your faith is built on Christ alone and the assurance of spending eternity with Him, not the sometimes-scary flow of history. You will also get a complete education on Islam and its possible role in the End Times." Joel Richardson New York Times bestselling author and internationally recognized teacher Arab Spring, Christian Winter will help you tie newspaper headlines

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to your scriptural knowledge of the Last Days. Ralph Stice draws a clear link between the Arab Spring and the rise of a worldwide power that appears to be ushering in the coming Antichrist. This book will also show you what you need to watch for in tomorrow's news and guide you on how to fortify your faith for stormy days ahead. The Western Church has much to learn from Christian brothers and sisters in the Middle East. Familiar Scripture passages are unfolding with new clarity to believers everywhere. Learn:

- Why the Arab Spring had to happen to fulfill scriptural prophecy
- How the Arab Spring led to the unleashing of pure Islam
- Which nation could be the crucial link between East and West and produce an Antichrist figure
- The responses of Middle Eastern Christians to intense persecution and what we Western believers can learn from them

Fear not! He will never leave us nor forsake us (Hebrews 13:5). We will discover Jesus in a fresh way when we face true persecution. How will your faith withstand the great distress, unequalled from the beginning of the world until now—and never to be equaled again (Matthew 24:21)? Brothers and sisters in Christ are facing this reality every day, right now.

## **Miramar**

Two men named Merrick Delmar, separated by more than one thousand years. One was the very first King of Isola di Squalo, and the other will be the next. Their lives are so different, yet they are very much the same. Each struggles with the position of authority into which he has been thrust. Neither feels qualified,

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and neither knows where to go for help. What does it take to be a good King? Can one man do it alone? Through struggle and storm, each will make a journey of self-discovery to assess whether he truly can rule, involuntarily or not. Sometimes, the calm in the eye of the storm must come from within.

## **Arab Spring, Christian Winter**

### **The Future of the Arab Spring**

Boundaries is a disturbing story about the blurred lines between love and betrayal, freedom and control, fantasy and treachery, good and evil, past and future. Diane Alders is a successful, workoholic sales executive in the medical field who has a void in her heart as a result of the tragic death of her husband seven years ago. Mickey Rollins is a genius and entrepreneur about to introduce a revolutionary new therapy that will 'repair' injured or impaired brains. Their sputtering romance hits full speed when Mickey invites Diane to accompany him on a lavish and bizarre vacation to the exotic South Seas intended to stretch their senses, fulfill wild dreams, and bring them closer together. Disaster strikes, and it is Diane who becomes Mickey's first human test subject. There's a catch...the healing process requires a surrogate, and Mickey chooses their mutual friend, lover and temptress—the beautiful Suki. The resurrection of Diane that transpires is not only a transfer of physical and cerebral attributes, but a blending of relationships, feelings, and emotions,

drawing many into the fray, ending as shockingly as it begins.

## **The Arab at Home**

This book explains Arab military responses to the social uprisings which began in 2011. Through a comparative case study analysis of Egyptian, Tunisian, Libyan, and Syrian militaries, it explains why militaries fractured, supported the regime in power, or removed their presidents.

## **Requisition**

The one thing Rose Trent, Dowager Countess of Bentley, ever wanted was freedom. Now it's within her grasp. Or it was, until she was kidnapped on the very first holiday she'd ever taken. What should have been traumatic has turned into the most adventurous time in her life, aided by a most unlikely Scot. Unfortunately, she only has a fortnight to thoroughly enjoy herself before her stepson shows up to pay the ransom. Laird Aiden MacGregor usually thinks through everything before taking action. Order is necessary to the running of a successful business and home. But, one simple rash action throws everything into disorder. He hadn't been the one to kidnap the delightful and beautiful Lady Bentley, but he'd be the one to pay the price. As such, he decides to spend the last days on Earth making everything right with his family, securing their future, and spending every moment he can with Rose before he swings from the gallows. With a word from her, or perhaps promise,

his neck might be saved, but at what cost and is Rose willing to save him?

## **Involuntary Kings**

This highly charged fable set in Alexandria, Egypt, in the late 1960s, centers on the guests of the Pension Miramar as they compete for the attention of the young servant Zohra. Zohra is a beautiful peasant girl who fled her family to escape an arranged marriage. She becomes the focus of jealousies and conflicts among the Miramar's residents, who include an assortment of radicals and aristocrats floundering in the wake of the Egyptian revolution. It becomes clear that the uneducated but strong-willed Zohra is the only one among them who knows what she wants. As the situation spirals toward violence and tragedy, the same sequence of events is retold from the perspective of four different residents, in the manner of Akira Kurosawa's *Rashomon*, weaving a nuanced portrait of the intricacies of post-revolutionary Egyptian life.

## **Lady Admired**

When Zeina was born, the civil war in Lebanon had been going on for six years, so it's just a normal part of life for her and her parents and her little brother. The city of Beirut is cut in two, separated by bricks and sandbags and threatened by snipers and shelling. East Beirut is for Christians, and West Beirut is for Muslims. When Zeina's parents don't return one afternoon from a visit to the other half of the city, and

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the bombing grows ever closer, the neighbors in her apartment house create a world indoors for Zeina and her brother where it's comfy and safe, where they can share cooking lessons and games and gossip.

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Square nor in the souk of Aleppo,” he explains. “It was defeated roundly in the palaces of Riyadh and Ankara as well as in Washington, DC and Paris.” The heart of this book explores the turmoil in Iraq, Syria, and Lebanon—countries where ISIS emerged and is thriving. It is here that the story of the region rests. What would a post-ISIS Middle East look like? Who will listen to the grievances of the people? Can there be another future for the region that is not the return of the security state or the continuation of monarchies? Placing developments in the Middle East in the broader context of revolutionary history, *The Death of the Nation* tackles these critical questions.

## **The Arab of the Future**

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bottled revolution was finally erupting, and freedom from a brutal dictator seemed, at last, imminent. Five years later, the three young friends were scattered: one now an Islamist revolutionary, another dead at the hands of government soldiers, and the last, Marwan, now a journalist in Turkish exile, trying to find a way back to a homeland reduced to rubble. Marwan was there to witness and document firsthand the Syrian war, from its inception to the present. He watched from the rooftops as regime warplanes bombed soldiers; as revolutionary activist groups, for a few dreamy days, spray-painted hope on Raqqa; as his friends died or threw in their lot with Islamist fighters. He became a journalist by courageously tweeting out news from a city under siege by ISIS, the Russians, and the Americans all at once. He saw the country that ran through his veins—the country that held his hopes, dreams, and fears—be destroyed in front of him, and eventually joined the relentless stream of refugees risking their lives to escape. Illustrated with more than eighty ink drawings by Molly Crabapple that bring to life the beauty and chaos, *Brothers of the Gun* offers a ground-level reflection on the Syrian revolution—and how it bled into international catastrophe and global war. This is a story of pragmatism and idealism, impossible violence and repression, and, even in the midst of war, profound acts of courage, creativity, and hope. “A book of startling emotional power and intellectual depth.”—Pankaj Mishra, author of *Age of Anger* and *From the Ruins of Empire* “A revelatory and necessary read on one of the most destructive wars of our time.”—Angela Davis

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