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# INDIGO RELEASES ITS LIST OF TOP FALL BOOKS

Canada's leading book retailer announces its Top Fall Books for 2015.

Toronto, ON (August 31, 2015) – Indigo (TSX: IDG), Canada's largest book, gift and specialty toy retailer, is delighted to announce its list of Top Fall Books. Indigo Book Experts have culled through hundreds of titles to pick their favourites for the season. With titles from an Emmy-nominated actress to Canadian literary royalty, the books from these storied authors are sure to keep you captivated until the very last page.

"Each year, fall truly shines as the book lovers' season. Although we've had some amazing books come out this year so far, our fall list showcases titles with incredibly far-reaching appeal for all Canadians. On our list, you'll find compelling biographies, insightful essays, and beloved series and authors, all of which tackle different – and sometimes difficult – themes and topics. With so many exciting launches ahead, it's time to make room on your bookshelf before fall officially begins," said Bahram Olfati, Senior Vice President of Print at Indigo.

Every book on this list is an Indigo Guaranteed Read. Customers may return any Guaranteed Read with a receipt if the book does not meet their expectations.

#### Indigo's Top Fall Books:

**Blockbuster fiction.** These can't-miss titles from favourite authors and popular series are poised to become instant bestsellers.

# After You by Jojo Moyes. Available September 29, 2015.

*After You* is the sequel to the beloved New York Times million-copy bestseller, *Me Before You*, that strives to answer difficult questions of grief and overcoming. *After You* is quintessential Jojo Moyes—a novel that will makes the reader laugh, cry, and rejoice at being back in the world she creates. Here she does what few novelists can do—revisits beloved characters and takes them to places neither they nor we ever expected.

# Purity by Jonathan Franzen. Available September 1, 2015.

Jonathan Franzen's new book is about identity, the Internet, sexual politics, and love--among countless other things. It's deeply troubling, richly moving, and hilarious--featuring an unforgettable cast of inimitable Franzenian characters who grapple mightily and rewardingly with the great issues of our time and culture.

# The Girl in the Spider's Web by David Lagercrantz. Available September 1, 2015.

This fall, enjoy the highly-anticipated follow-up to Stieg Larsson's popular series. In *The Girl in the Spider's Web*, the duo who thrilled 80 million readers in *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo, The Girl Who Played with Fire*, and *The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest* meet again in an extraordinary and uniquely of-the-moment thriller. In the aftermath of Stieg Larsson's death, the author's estate hand-picked biographer David Lagercrantz to carry on Larsson's acclaimed *Millennium* series, in Lagercrantz's own authorial voice.



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**Top Canadian authors.** Look forward to more from brilliant Canadian authors, whose works are beloved in Canada and around the world.

### The Illegal by Lawrence Hill. Available September 8, 2015.

From the critically-acclaimed author of *The Book of Negroes* comes a fast-moving and compelling novel that casts a satirical eye on people who have turned their backs on undocumented refugees struggling to survive in a nation that does not want them. Hill's depiction of life on the borderlands of society urges us to consider the plight of the unseen and the forgotten that live among us.

#### Undermajordomo Minor by Patrick Dewitt. Available September 5, 2015.

*Undermajordomo Minor* is a triumphant ink-black comedy of manners by the Governor General's Award-winning author of *The Sisters Brothers*. It is an adventure, and a mystery, and a searing portrayal of rural Alpine bad behaviour, but above all it is a love story.

#### The Heart Goes Last by Margaret Atwood. Available September 29, 2015.

In classic Margaret Atwood style, *The Heart Goes Last* imagines a world where citizens take turns as prisoners and jailers. The prophetic Atwood delivers a hilarious yet harrowing tale about liberty, power, and the irrepressibility of the human appetite. Brilliant, dark, and provocative - *The Heart Goes Last* is a compelling futuristic vision that will drive readers to the edge of their seats.

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**In the know.** For lovers of biographies and memoirs come in-depth explorations of very different men, and the storied lives they lead and have led.

# Hemingway in Love by A E Hotchner. Available October 20, 2015.

Told primarily in Ernest Hemingway's own words, this book is an unexpected treat. A E Hotchner and Hemingway were good friends for more than a decade, vacationing together and talking regularly. Hotchner wrote a biography of this literary lion 50 years ago, but was unable to publish some material out of consideration for the feelings of friends and intimates of Hemingway. Now he is able to tell the full story behind one of the century's best known literary love affairs. Those who loved the novel *The Paris Wife*, told in the voice of Hemingway's first wife and great love Hadley, will be captivated by the story told in Ernest's voice. This story shows the vulnerability and emotion behind the well-established façade of a great literary figure. A gem for lovers and for lovers of literature.

#### Kissinger: 1923-1968: The Idealist by Niall Ferguson. Available September 29, 2015.

The definitive biography of Henry Kissinger, based on unprecedented access to his private papers. No American statesman has been as revered or as reviled as Henry Kissinger. Once hailed as "Super K" the "indispensable man" whose advice has been sought by every president from Kennedy to Obama he has also been hounded by conspiracy theorists, scouring his every "telcon" for evidence of Machiavellian malfeasance. Yet as Niall Ferguson shows in this magisterial two-volume biography, drawing not only on Kissinger's hitherto closed private papers but also on documents from more than a hundred archives around the world, the idea of Kissinger as the ruthless arch-realist is based on a

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profound misunderstanding.

# Stephen Harper by John Ibbitson. Available now.

In this definitive new biography, the Globe and Mail's John Ibbitson explores the life of Canada's 22nd Prime Minister, Stephen Harper. With unparalleled access to sources, years of research and writing, and a wealth of insight that has made him one of the most respected voices in journalism, John Ibbitson presents an intimate, detailed portrait of a man who has remained an enigma to supporters and enemies alike. Now that enigma is revealed, in a masterful exploration of Stephen Harper, the politician and the man.

# Unflinching by Jody Mitic. Available September 8, 2015.

*Unflinching* is a powerful chronicle of the honour and sacrifice of an ordinary Canadian fighting for his country, and an authentic portrait of military life. Elite Sniper Mitic's raw, candid, and engrossing memoir follows his personal journey into the Canadian military, through sniper training, and firefights in Afghanistan, culminating on the fateful night when he stepped on a landmine and lost both of his legs below the knees. Determined to be of service to his family and to his country, he refused to let injury defeat him. Within three years after the explosion, he was not only walking again, he was running. By 2013, he was a star on the blockbuster reality TV show *Amazing Race*. And in 2014, Jody reinvented himself yet again, winning a seat as a city councillor for Ottawa.

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**Books we're talking about.** These highly-anticipated titles are the perfect companions for readers facing a turning point in life. It's almost impossible not to relate to these personal tales of transition and overcoming.

# Furiously Happy by Jenny Lawson. Available September 22, 2015.

#1 New York Times bestselling author Jenny Lawson explores her lifelong battle with mental illness. A hysterical, ridiculous book about crippling depression and anxiety? That sounds like a terrible idea. But terrible ideas are what Jenny does best. This is a book about embracing everything that makes us who we are - the beautiful and the flawed - and then using it to find joy in fantastic and outrageous ways. Because as Jenny's mom says, "Maybe 'crazy' isn't so bad after all." Sometimes crazy is just right.

# Why Not Me? by Mindy Kaling. Available September 15, 2015.

From the author of the beloved New York Times bestselling book, *Is Everyone Hanging Out Without Me?*, and the creator and star of *The Mindy Project* comes a collection of essays that are as hilarious and insightful as they are deeply personal. In *Why Not Me?*, Kaling shares her ongoing journey to find contentment and excitement in her adult life. Mindy turns the anxieties, the glamour, and the celebrations of her second coming-of-age into a laugh-out-loud funny collection of essays that anyone who's ever been at a turning point in their life or career can relate to. And those who've never been at a turning point can skip to the parts where she talks about meeting Bradley Cooper.

# Open Heart, Open Mind by Clara Hughes. Available September 8, 2015.

From one of Canada's most decorated Olympians comes a raw but life-affirming story of one woman's struggle with depression. In a world where winning meant everything, Clara's biggest competitor was herself. In 2006, when Clara Hughes stepped onto the Olympic podium in Torino, Italy, she became the

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first and only athlete ever to win multiple medals in both Summer and Winter Games. Four years later, she was proud to carry the Canadian flag as the head of the Canadian team as they participated in the opening ceremony of the Vancouver Olympic Winter Games. But there's another story behind her celebrated career as an athlete, behind her signature billboard smile. Told with honesty and passion, *Open Heart, Open Mind* is Clara's personal journey through physical and mental pain to a life where love and understanding can thrive. This revelatory and inspiring story will touch the hearts of all Canadians.

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