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based on more than a decade of ethnographic research the land of weddings and rain examines the components of the contemporary urban wedding in post socialist lithuania

a queer literary and cultural studies examination of the wedding ceremony rather than the resulting marriages

which finds it to be a space of more open possibilities than might normally be supposed

media depictions of brides wives and mothers edited by alena amato ruggerio explores how television film the internet and other media variously perpetuate gender stereotypes the contributors to this volume bring a variety of feminist rhetorical and media criticism approaches from across the communication discipline to their analyses of how television film news coverage and the internet shape our expectations of the performance of women s identities this collection includes studies of bridezillas jon kate plus 8 sex and the city sarah palin nancy pelosi the devil wears prada practical magic momtini blogs and mad men fan websites readers will learn to apply the insights from each chapter to their own sets of myths stereotypes and assumptions about gendered roles and to recognize the possibilities for both liberation and domination when women s practices of marrying mating and mothering are represented and misrepresented in the media this collection is an essential contribution to media studies and criticism of gender stereotypes in contemporary culture read the author's recent interview with literary ashland you can also visit the author's website here

sunshine melody macalister has been plagued by loss and healed by love for most of her young life after losing her parents and going to live with her grandmother kitt in small town shute pond wisconsin lonely seven year old sun meets the three people who would change her life and help heal her heart young wendy doonan who becomes her best friend and twin brothers conall and sean o malley after high school graduation loss strikes again and sunshine macalister leaves shute pond and the man who holds her heart conall o malley twelve years later sun now dr mel macalister returns home for wendy and sean s wedding and comes face to face with the man she loved and left can she truly come home again will shute pond and its inhabitants help her to heal her wounded heart will seeing conall again re kindle the passion she once felt and fill her with love that can last a lifetime come in attend second chance wedding and find out

the fabulous gown the multitiered cake abundant flowers attendants and guests in their finery the white wedding does more than mark a life passage it marries two of the most sacred tenets of american culture romantic love and excessive consumption for anyone who has ever wondered about the meanings behind a

white dress a diamond ring rice and traditions such as cake cutting bouquet tossing and honeymooning this book offers an entertaining and enlightening look at the historical social and psychological strains that come together to make the lavish wedding the most important cultural ritual in contemporary consumer culture with an emphasis on north american society cele c otnes and elizabeth h pleck show how the elaborate wedding means far more than a mere triumph for the bridal industry through interviews media accounts and wide ranging research and analysis they expose the wedding s reflection or reproduction of fundamental aspects of popular consumer culture its link with romantic love its promise of magical transformation its engendering of memories and its legitimization of consumption as an expression of perfection as meaningful as any prospective bride might wish the lavish wedding emerges here as a lens that at once reveals magnifies and reveres some of the dearest wishes and darkest impulses at the heart of our culture

conjugal rites explores the legal shape of marriage as it has been determined by countless decisions concerning entry and exit into the ancient rite heather brook examines the countless rules and protocols governing marriage that make it valid in the eyes of the law she argues that the various sexual performatives associated with marriage can establish reinforce or rupture conjugal unity while exploring the historical and political regulations and prohibitions marriage has faced brook unites past and present public and private to investigate the changing meanings and effects of conjugality and challenge the way we think about sex gender and relationships

designing planning weddings for a decade now a dream or rather a fantasy of delivering a handbook since 2015 is now a reality with deep experience domain understanding we have gone through the cycles of innovation creativity over time in successfully executing 500 weddings and delivered happiness brace yourself for the first of its kind initiative presenting to you the world of weddings 2020 2021 part 1 an e book that captures the trends perspectives and gives a sneak preview into the immediate future of the wedding industry we have put every bit of our experience and learning in specially creating or rather curating this for you expect the unseen

first published in 1992 wedding cakes and cultural history is a unique contribution to the anthropology of food tracing the fascinating history of wedding cakes from late medieval feasts and rites through the victorian wedding breakfast and into the 1990s dr charsley maps the intricate creation of the wedding cake and explores its uses and meanings he shows that the wedding cake provides a vivid illustration of the traditions and traditional values inherent in all foods and demonstrates the part that material culture plays in the process of change challenging in its ideas yet approachable in style and subject matter this book will be of great interest to students and teachers of anthropology sociology and cultural studies

police lieutenant karl genesko and his fiance computer pro anneke haagen are finally tying the knot but when karl is called away to investigate a mail bomb murder the victim turns out to be one of the computer gamers in anneke s on line chats as both karl and anneke are suspected they create a murder game to catch a killer on line martin s press

a biography of the figure skater who went from winning two consecutive world championships in 1966 and 1967 to being the only olympic gold medal winner for the united states in the 1968 winter games

klezmer is the first comprehensive study of the musical structure and social history of klezmer music the music of jewish musicians guild of eastern europe author walter zev feldman includes major written sources as well as interviews with european born klezmorim conducted over a period of more than thirty years including musical analysis feldman draws upon the foundational collections of the late tsarist and early soviet periods plus rare klezmer and cantorial manuscripts

a hilarious high spirited it s great to be alive hoot of a novel newsday the typically tranquil backcountry town of mattagash maine is buzzing with news amy joy lawler the last of mattagash s founding clan just announced her engagement to jean claude cloutier an outsider her scandalized mother takes to bed in protest while the rest of the town gleefully anticipates the social event of the year as guests roll in the no good giffords plot to steal wedding gifts and hubcaps and motel owner albert pinkham devises new schemes to fill his cash register

meanwhile on hearing this news amy joy s aunt downstate plots to return to mattagash for good against her husband s wishes while her son carries on an affair with an elizabeth taylor look alike behind the back of his valium addicted wife when this volatile assortment gathers in church on the big day hilarious and wacky results ensue with wry humor and razor sharp wit cathie pelletier weaves a powerful story at once outlandish and poignant about family heritage and the often imperceptible ties that bind us together

the novel from number 1 bestselling author beth moran perfect for fans of shari low jill mansell and jenny colgan growing up sisters libby and nicky never knew who they d find at breakfast their parents fostered children of all ages and although the girls loved playing their part in providing a safe haven it meant that life was rarely peaceful now as a single mother of two libby s life is still anything but peaceful in her work as an antenatal coach as well as for the charity she and nicky run for teenage mothers libby uses all the skills she learnt growing up surrounded by children her days are full caring for her family the mothers to be and the latest strays she has welcomed into her home but in the dark of the lonely nights libby worries she s falling apart at the seams one troubled boy and a reckless decision she made thirteen years ago still haunts her two hearts that were broken still not mended the time has come for libby to look out for herself as her family friends and her community have known forever libby is one of a kind and if she can just learn to love herself she may be able to welcome back the love she let slip through her fingers uplifting heart warming and irresistibly good for the soul it s impossible not to fall in love with a beth moran story readers love beth moran s books beth moran s heartwarming books never fail to leave me feeling uplifted jessica redland a british author to watch publisher's weekly let it snow is so uplifting it's cleverly written witty and smart a winner judy leigh life affirming joyful and tender zoe folbigg every day is a perfect day to read this shari low so much truth and wisdom wrapped up in this lovely story of love and friendship as always beth moran gives us characters who feel like friends for life and an emotionally honest journey of recovery from heart wrenching pasts with a lot of laughs along the way delicious escapist read reader review i was totally invested in this book from the first page i laughed shed tears and didn t want it to end of course i also wanted to get to the end so i would know the whole story it s an excellent emotional rollercoaster telling a tale of love loss and new beginnings reader review heart warming moving and a lovely read as are all the author s books i enjoyed this thoroughly and

loved the back story to go with it reader review what a lovely story i enjoyed it so much this is my first time reading a beth moran book but i can assure you it will not be my last this is really well written story i strongly advise others to read it it has it all mystery love friendship heartbreak but most of all though enjoyment reader review beth has the knack of describing people and places as if you know them this is a real gift this is a story of tragedy and healing and has a very uplifting ending i love love loved it reader review another gorgeous tale from the queen of comfort reads reader review

the notion of happily ever after has been ingrained in many of us since childhood meet someone date have the big white wedding and enjoy your well deserved future but why do we buy into this idea is love really all we need author laurie essig invites us to flip this concept of romance on its head and see it for what it really is an ideology that we desperately cling to as a way to cope with the fact that we believe we cannot control or affect the societal economic and political structures around us from climate change to nuclear war white nationalism to the worship of wealth and conspicuous consumption as the future becomes seemingly less secure americans turn away from the public sphere and find shelter in the private essig argues that when we do this we allow romance to blind us to the real work that needs to be done building global movements that inspire a change in government policies to address economic and social inequality

author of the acclaimed jung and the alchemical imagination jeffrey raff continues his teachings in psychoidal alchemy with an in depth look at the feminine aspect of the divine sophia is in the esoteric teachings the embodiment of wisdom the matrix from which god arose and god s heavenly consort and mirror but as raff explains she suffered a fall from this exalted state corresponding to the obscuration of the feminine archetype in the patriarchal world without sophia god is not whole it is our task to work with imagination to reunite sophia and god raff explains the difference between fantasy a product of the ego and imagination which comes from the soul more importantly he brings sophia to life through a vivid analysis of an 800 year old text the aurora consurgens as well as his personal experience with sophia and active imagination this process empowers us to become whole and realize our innate drive to unite with the divine

man of the month big bad wolfe mr january wolfe wedding whoa it s not me cameron wolfe fbi agent known as the lone wolfe who s getting hitched i m not the marrying kind it s my brother the youngest of four who s tying the knot cameron s date to unwind before the big family affair i m vacationing in a cozy cabin with sexy sandra bradley if all goes well i ll invite her to the wedding so all went well enough for a little wolfe to be on the way and now cameron and sandra are on their way to a wolfe wedding a wedding sandra wishes were her own man of the month will the biggest baddest wolf say i do in a very special quadruple wedding ceremony

in more mittens with the doll s wedding and other stories aunt fanny presents a delightful tapestry of narratives that resonate with charm and moral undertones commonly found in children's literature of the early 20th century the book is marked by a playful yet didactic prose style skillfully weaving together various whimsical tales that engage the imagination while instilling fundamental values such as friendship and kindness this compilation not only serves to entertain young readers but also invites them to revel in the enchantment of storytelling reminiscent of the works of contemporaries like frances hodgson burnett and I frank baum who similarly nurtured a sense of wonder in their audience aunt fanny an esteemed author of children's literature captures the spirit of her time through her nuanced understanding of child psychology and developmental needs her experiences as a caregiver and her keen observations of childhood behaviors deeply influenced her narratives imbuing them with authenticity and relatability by drawing from her own childhood memories and social context she crafts a world where children can navigate their curiosity and emotional experiences safely more mittens is a treasure trove for both young readers and adults seeking to reconnect with the innocence of childhood it is highly recommended for parents looking to instill positive values in their children and for educators seeking enchanting stories that promote discussion on essential life lessons

richards pieces together each woman s story as artfully as a quilter creates a quilt transcendent endowed with warmth and compassion booklist three generations of women discover the healing gift of family memories and love needing time to contemplate her troubled marriage tessa macrae agrees to spend the summer helping her mother and grandmother clean out the family home in virginia s shenandoah valley but the three

women have never been close helen the family matriarch is domineering and sharp tongued nancy tessa s mother appears to be little more than a social climber and tessa herself is in turmoil following a family tragedy that has affected them all now with the gift of time tessa s eyes are opened and she begins to see her mother and grandmother for the flawed but courageous women they are as she restores a vintage wedding ring quilt pieced by her grandmother and quilted by her mother the secrets that have shadowed their lives unfold at last and each woman discovers that sometimes you have to clean house to find the things you thought were lost forever previously published

from no 1 bestselling author beth moran comes a story about family friendship and community as faith tries on her future mother in law s wedding dress in preparation for her own wedding her tears are not of joy the hideous frock is nicknamed the ghost by faith s best friend marilyn who can t understand why faith would even consider wearing it but there s a lot marilyn doesn t know about faith not the least of which is that faith is just the latest of the names she has called herself faith and her brother sam survived a traumatic childhood which included having to change their names to hide from the past but surviving has left scars faith s generous fiancé perry doesn t just promise to be a partner he offers freedom and security and enough kindness to keep faith squashing down any doubts on what being in love really means it s not until she meets an extraordinary group of women at the grace chapel choir that things start to become crystal clear as choir leader extraordinaire the indomitable hester holds a mirror up to her ragtag group of singers all with their own burdens and insecurities and teaches them to see how magnificent they are so faith can dare to dream of a future where she and sam can stop running and she might even be ready to accept the love that she deserves number 1 bestselling author beth moran is back with her trademark ingredients of wisdom and warmth heartbreak and hearts soaring perfect for fans of jill mansell philippa ashley and jenny colgan praise for beth moran let it snow is so uplifting it s cleverly written witty and smart a winner judy leigh life affirming joyful and tender zoe folbigg every day is a perfect day to read this shari low a british author to watch publisher s weekly a wonderfully warm hearted story full of love and laughter victoria connelly an utterly gorgeous story it sweeps across the generations and leaves us all with some important life lessons simply fabulous reader review this author has the knack of really pulling at your heart strings and ripping your heart out then slowly pieces it back together again with her books reader review don t plan anything that s going to make you move until you ve finished the book as it s totally gripping and you won t want to put it down beth moran books are always fabulous however this was just that bit more fabulous than normal reader review beth moran beth has an easy going writing style that is easy to get used to and easy to get along with in fact reading one of beth s books feels more like a friend rather than reading a book beth clearly cares about her characters and this shines through in the very vivid and realistic way in which she describes them she makes her characters seem just as real as you and i reader review please note this book was originally published as the name i call myself

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