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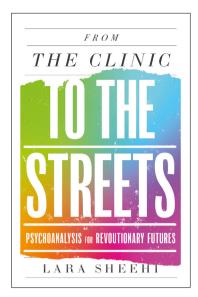
Welcome to our catalog for the winter of 2025-26. Over the next few pages, you will find books on the cutting edge of left-wing, radical publishing. Our books are written with one core goal—to change the world. Right now, that may be unimaginable. The dark forces of capital have gone full mask-off across the US and Europe, to the extent it feels hopeless to try to resist. But these books show a fascinating wealth of new ideas, strategies and communities you may not have encountered. I hope our authors' words inspire you in your activism.

Lara Sheehi brings the obscured radical teachings of psychoanalysis to the masses in *From the Clinic to the Streets*. We delve into antiquity with Christopher B. Zeichmann, who explores ancient political uprisings in search of anarchy, statelessness, and social experimentation in the Graeco-Roman world in his new history *Radical Antiquity*. The incomparable Joy James gifts us an idea that has been forming over decades in her new ground-breaking theory of *The Captive Maternal*, which examines the journey some take from a feminized, racialized compliance, to liberation through activism.

These, and many more excellent books, are all waiting to be discovered and read. We hope you enjoy them.

In solidarity,

Emily Orford Head of Marketing



# From the Clinic to the Streets: Psychoanalysis for Revolutionary Futures

Lara Sheehi

Unleashing the revolutionary politics of psychoanalysis

Psychology

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Author is a controversial figure, most recently profiled in the Guardian for her role in the future of psychology

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Arguing for a new, liberatory psychoanalysis, she calls for us to harness its radical power from the clinic to the streets.

LARA SHEEHI is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychology at the Doha Institute for Graduate Studies, Qatar, and a Research Fellow at the University of South Africa's Institute for Social and Health Sciences. She is the founding faculty director of the Psychoanalysis and the Arab World Lab. She is co-author with Stephen Sheehi of Psychoanalysis Under Occupation which won the Middle East Monitor's 2022 Palestine Book Award. Lara is the President of the Society for Psychoanalysis and Psychoanalytic Psychology (APA, Division 39), and on the advisory board for the USA-Palestine Mental Health Network.

# Radical Antiquity: Free Love Zoroastrians, Farming Pirates, and Ancient Uprisings

Christopher B. Zeichmann

A groundbreaking history of radically democratic societies in antiquity

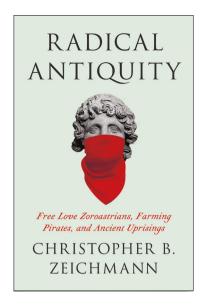
When you think of Ancient Greece and Rome, what do you see? The Acropolis and the Colosseum? Perhaps the philosophy of Plato and Aristotle and the rule of the Caesars? Or the birth of democracy and the vast reach of an empire? This well-trodden history of great thinkers, military leaders, and early state formation in the classical world still enthralls us, but it tells only half the story...

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This history from below brings the experiences of ordinary and marginal people out of obscurity and radically expands our understanding of social and political life in the classical world.

CHRISTOPER B. ZEICHMANN teaches history and religious studies at Toronto Metropolitan University. He is the author of The Roman Army and the New Testament and Queer Readings of the Centurion at Capernaum.



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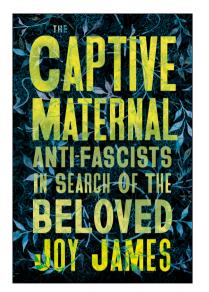
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Philosopher and organizer Joy James examines the lives of the 'Captive Maternals'—those racialized and 'feminized' into roles of caretaking and consumption, yet compelled to transform through care, protest, and movement-making towards building safe communities to resist war and fascism. Shaped by enslavement, colonialism, rape, and resistance (whether female, male, trans, or nonbinary), they are integral to the weaving of rebel tapestries.

From domestic upheavals through cultural revolution and police/military violence, James excavates hidden layers beneath seemingly ordinary narratives, including her biography as a 'military brat' radicalized by socialists, communists, feminists, and Black Panther veterans. She deftly draws upon the literary writers on whose shoulders she stands—Octavia Butler and Toni Morrison, and the politics of Ella Baker, George Jackson and Assata Shakur, Mamie Till Mobley, and Ida B. Wells.

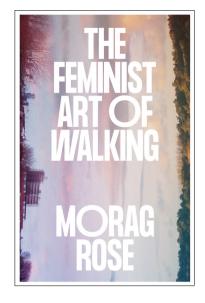
The Captive Maternal navigates a decisive terrain where Black, feminist, socialist, and anti-carceral studies and organizing converge. Reshaping understandings of power, resilience, and enduring struggles for liberation and justice, James's groundbreaking analysis meditates on revolutionary love, mutations of rebellion, and the fulcra that leverage opposition to violence.

JOY JAMES is a political philosopher who works with organizers. Her books include In Pursuit of Revolutionary Love; New Bones Abolition: Captive Maternal Agency and the (After)Life of Erica Garner; and Contextualizing Angela Davis: The Agency and Identity of an Icon. Her edited volumes with Pluto include Beyond Cop Cities: Dismantling State and Corporate-Funded Armies and Prisons and ENGAGE: Indigenous, Black, Afro-Indigenous Futures.

# The Feminist Art of Walking

Morag Rose

A field guide for women wanting to reclaim their cities



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The allure of the city is powerful but not universally accessible. For many women, it can be exclusionary, exploitative, and dangerous. In *The Feminist Art of Walking*, Morag Rose shows how women can and do claim their place in the public space.

Setting off to explore cities and towns across Britain, she traces local histories and personal stories, and attunes herself to the broader resonances of women's rights amidst alienating capitalist cityscapes. Craving connection and comradeship, she discovers a unique and inclusive approach to walking, celebrating diverse women who transform walking into an art form and act of resistance.

By experiencing the pleasures and pains of urban exploration, she shows us how to reconnect with and become enchanted by our streets.

MORAG ROSE is a walking artist activist and academic. She is founder of the Loiterers Resistance Movement and a senior lecturer in Human Geography at the University of Liverpool. Her work focuses on public space, regeneration, access, equality, psychogeographies and the power of creative, communal walking.

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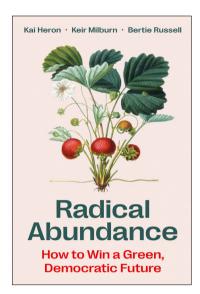
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# Radical Abundance: How to Win a Green Democratic Future

Kai Heron, Keir Milburn and Bertie Russell

A blueprint for escaping capitalism and creating a world of true abundance

Capitalism has created a world of bullshit abundance, where we have too much of what we don't need and too little of what we indeed do. This hollow pursuit, achieved at the expense of both people and the planet, has forced us to confront ecological limits we can no longer ignore. Transitioning beyond our ecocidal capitalist system has emerged as the defining challenge of our time.

Radical Abundance presents a roadmap for transitioning beyond capitalism. It offers a bold vision grounded in Marxist thought and real-world socialist experiments. This book blends theory with hands-on experience to provide a concrete path forward for creating a just and sustainable future.

The co-authors propose Public-Common Partnerships (PCPs) as a model for communities to partner with public bodies, gaining control over the resources that affect their lives. This approach fosters self-expanding, radical democratic governance, shifting focus from individual assets to building a broader democratic economy—a 'Community Wealth Building gone viral.' A world of radical abundance is still possible, but only through democratic economic planning and worker control.

KAI HERON is a political organizer, trade unionist, and Lecturer in Political Ecology at Lancaster University. He is the co-editor of the De Gruyter Degrowth Handbook and has published widely on the politics of green transitions, political theory, and political economy in outlets including New Statesman, Sidecar, Jacobin, e-flux, Rupture, and Spectre.

KEIR MILBURN is a writer, researcher, and activist with an academic background in political economy and organizational theory. He has written extensively in outlets such as the Guardian, The Independent, and The Nation. His book Generation Left provoked debate on generational political divides driven, in part, by generational imbalances in asset ownership.

BERTIE RUSSELL is a Research Fellow at the Autonomous University of Barcelona. He is an activist-researcher with a focus on radical municipalism, urban commons, economic democracy, public-common partnerships, and co-production. He is co-editor of the forthcoming book Radical Municipalism: The Politics of the Common and the Democratization of Public Services.

The authors are co-directors of the action-research organization Abundance.

# The Forest Fights Back: A Global Movement for the Rights of Nature

Jessica den Outer

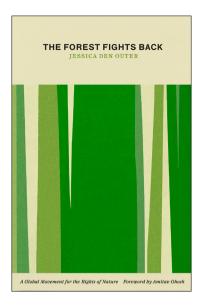
Can nature be given rights?

As the world grapples with the escalating climate crisis, ecosystems are collapsing, and the planet's future hangs in the balance. Our legal systems have treated nature for centuries as something to be owned and exploited, but a bold new movement is challenging this paradigm.

In *The Forest Fights Back*, Jessica den Outer explores a groundbreaking global movement—Rights of Nature—taking on the legal system to recognize the rights of rivers, forests, and mountains to exist, flourish, and sustain their ecological balance. From the fight for the Whanganui River in New Zealand to the battle for Spain's Mar Menor lagoon, den Outer highlights the campaigns led by grassroots communities, telling stories of determination and legal ingenuity.

This movement goes beyond law. It represents a cultural shift that could reshape how we live, think, coexist, and advocate for nature.

JESSICA DEN OUTER is an expert in environmental law, advocates globally for the Rights of Nature. Since 2017, she has been consulted and has spoken for institutions like the UN and Harvard. She founded the NGO 'Stichting Rechten van de Natuur' and has received numerous awards for her pioneering work.



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Author is a rising star, serving as United Nations Harmony with Nature expert and nominated as one of the 35 up-and-coming professionals under the age of 35 in the field of peace and security

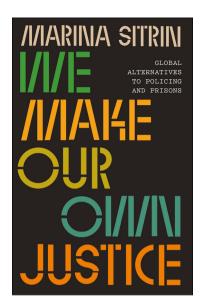
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What if we abolished police, courts, and prisons? Where would we turn for justice? Do we need to have laws? Punishment? These questions are not just the preoccupation of an abolitionist pipedream. Their answers exist already if only we know where to look.

We Make Our Own Justice introduces the reader to communities worldwide that resolve harms and conflicts without looking to the state or judiciary. The book explores several locations where alternative forms of justice, peace-keeping, and adjudication occur. With a particular focus on indigenous and women-led movements from across Mexico, Argentina, Rojava, and the USA, Marina Sitrin looks at how each came to be and the theoretical and political underpinnings of the process.

The book allows the reader to reflect on how the seeds of these alternative forms of justice and adjudication have been planted and nurtured over time—often over decades—and to consider the possibilities for other communities and regions to produce something similar. We Make Our Own Justice offers an invaluable resource, fostering optimism and open-mindedness as we seek to transform our neighborhoods, groups, and communities into abolitionist spaces in theory and practice.

MARINA SITRIN is an Associate Professor of Sociology at Binghamton University, New York. She is the co-editor, with Colectiva Sembrar, of Pandemic Solidarity: Mutual Aid During the Covid-19 Crisis and is author of Horizontalism: Voices of Popular Power in Argentina, Everyday Revolutions: Horizontalism and Autonomy in Argentina and the co-author of They Can't Represent Us!: Reinventing Democracy from Greece to Occupy.

# Ending Isolation: The Case Against Solitary Confinement

Christopher William Blackwell and Deborah Zalesne With Terry Kupers and Kwaneta Harris

A devastating case against the inhumane practice of solitary confinement

The injustice, cruelty, and degradation that are so enmeshed within the US carceral system find their barbaric apogee in the practice of solitary confinement. Once judged by the US Supreme Court to be an impermissible form of torture, the use of solitary confinement has grown to become a 'solution' to the overcrowding and violence that have defined life on the inside.

So what exactly does it mean to be sent to 'the hole?' What damage is inflicted on the body and the mind by being locked in a cell the size of a parking space for months or even years? Most of us can only imagine. It was a harrowing ordeal for Christopher Blackwell that reshaped his life forever.

Ending Isolation draws vividly from Blackwell's own first-hand experience of years spent in solitary confinement in a Washington State prison, his award-winning journalism and advocacy from behind bars, and the legal expertise of co-author Deborah Zalesne. The book also includes writing from many other formerly and currently incarcerated people. With chapters covering juveniles in solitary, mental illness, racial injustice, and even environmental issues, the book makes the case that the practice is an unconstitutional form of cruel and unusual punishment that must be abolished.

CHRISTOPHER WILLIAM BLACKWELL is an award-winning journalist currently incarcerated in Washington State, serving a 45-year prison sentence for taking a human life. He is the co-founder and current Executive Director of Look2Justice, a grassroots organization that transforms the legal system by empowering impacted people through civic education. His writing has been featured in The New York Times, The Washington Post, and many more. Find more about Christopher's writing and policy work at christopher-blackwell.com. DEBORAH ZALESNE is a Professor of Law at the City University of New York School of Law where she teaches Contract Law from a social justice perspective. With Christopher Blackwell, she co-founded Empowerment Avenue's Writers Development Program for aspiring incarcerated writers. She has published extensively in the areas of race and gender justice and is the author of two books and over forty scholarly articles for publications such as the Yale Journal of Law and Feminism and

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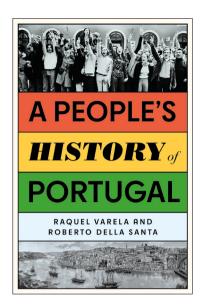
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RAQUEL VARELA is a Portuguese labor historian, researcher, and professor at New University of Lisbon, and Honorary Fellow at the International Institute for Social History. She is President of the Observatory of Labour and Living Conditions and a member of the executive board of the International Association of Strikes and Social Conflicts and co-editor of its journal. She is the author of A People's History of the Portuguese Revolution, A People's History of Europe, and the graphic novel Utopia, with Robson Villalba.

ROBERTO DELLA SANTA is a Brazilian professor, social scientist, and researcher at the Center for Global Studies of the Universidade Aberta de Lisboa, and Co-Coordinator at the Observatory for Living and Working Conditions. For the 50th anniversary of the Portuguese Revolution, he co-wrote with the Kairós Collective a series of five historical documentaries on the World of Work for RTP3 public television.

# Victor Serge: Unruly Revolutionary

Mitchell Abidor

A critical biography of one of the twentiethcentury's best known but least understood revolutionaries

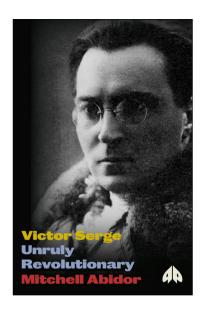
Ideological schisms have always been a feature of the left, but they could be deadly for much of the early twentieth century. Few revolutionary figures managed to chart such a unique course through the turbulent currents of anarchism and Bolshevism as Victor Serge.

Today, thanks to his classic memoirs and novels, Serge is highly esteemed by virtually all segments of the left. But who was this man who led such a thrilling life on the frontlines of history? Was he an anarchist, a Bolshevik, or a Trotskyist? Or did he evolve into something else entirely?

In this comprehensive account of Victor Serge's life, work, and political evolution, Mitchell Abidor rescues his subject, in all his complexity, from the constraints of any single label. Painting a portrait of a man whose political ideas shifted continually in response to the significant events of his life, we are introduced to several Victor Serges: the youthful anarchist in Belgium and France, the leading Bolshevik in Moscow, and the anti-Stalinist who faced imprisonment and expulsion from the Soviet Union.

Examining the lacunae and errors of fact in his memoirs, the hidden Serge is ultimately revealed for what he was: an unruly revolutionary of great courage and contradictions.

MITCHELL ABIDOR is a writer and translator living in Brooklyn, New York. In addition to his many translation works, he is the author of May Made Me and I'll Forget It When I Diel: The Bisbee Deportation of 1917. Abidor is the translator and editor of Victor Serge's anarchist writings, Anarchists Never Surrender, and translated with Richard Greeman Serge's Notebooks (1936-1947).



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# Community Safety in the Fourth World War

Manuel Callahan and Annie Paradise

A toolkit for self-organized, radical community safety

We are living through what the Zapatistas call the 'Fourth World War'—a war waged by the forces of colonial and racial capitalism that insists we forget our victories, relinquish our practices of care, and abandon our struggle. For communities targeted and ravaged by policing and militarization, safety is a paramount concern. But where do we turn? To the state, with its warped ideas of security and all its attendant violence?

Drawing on more than a decade of 'convivial research' and 'insurgent learning,' alongside struggles across the San Francisco Bay Area, and in dialogue with Indigenous and non-Indigenous struggles from southern Mexico and elsewhere, the authors argue for selforganized, locally rooted community safety. This, they claim, can be observed through five critical elements: community self-defense; fierce care; assembly; knowledge production and self-representation; and autonomous justice.

Advancing conviviality as praxis, as a counterforce to the death machine of racial patriarchal capital, this book aims to re-enchant the world through a focus on life and to provide tools, strategies, and theorizations that build from below to cross-pollinate struggles everywhere.

MANUEL CALLAHAN is the co-founder of the Center for Convivial Research and Autonomy (CCRA), a transterritorial research collective based in the San Francisco Bay Area with connections to struggles in Southern Mexico. Since 2003, he has been a participant in the Universidad de la Tierra Califas. Callahan is currently the Latinx Studies Collection editor for Lived Places Publishing.

ANNIE PARADISE is a member of the Center for Convivial Research and Autonomy (CCRA), a transterritorial research collective, and a collaborator with the Universidad de la Tierra Califas, an autonomous learning initiative, both based in the San Francisco Bay Area. She is also a researcher with the Counter Counterinsurgency Lab.

# **Decolonizing Money**

Julio Linares

A democratic vision of money that goes beyond the free market and the state

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# Decolonizing Money

by Julio Linares

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To change the world, we need a money revolution. Yet the debate over money has been dominated by two perspectives: those free-market capitalists who want money to rule everything and those who wish the state to harness money's power. *Decolonizing Money* presents an anarchist theory of money, which sets out strategies for collective liberation beyond state and capital.

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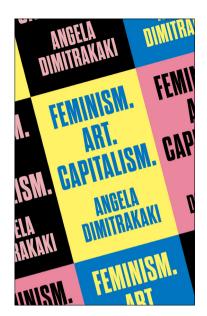
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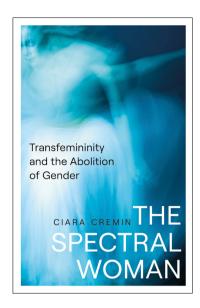


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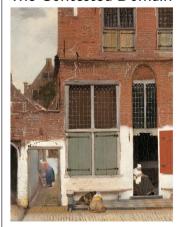
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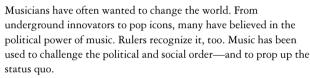
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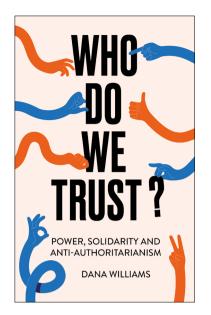
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DANA WILLIAMS is Professor of Sociology at California State University, Chico, and the author of Black Flags and Social Movements and co-author of Anarchy and Society. A political sociologist, Williams focuses on social movements, inequalities, and trust.

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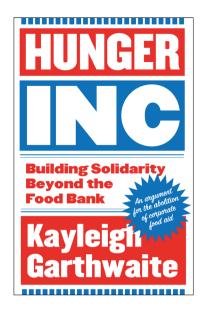
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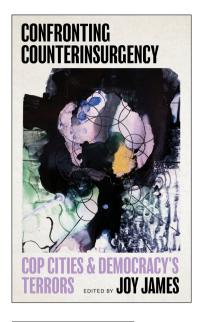
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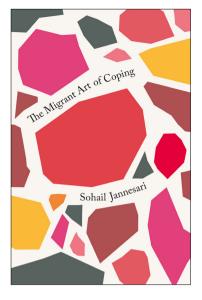
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SOHAIL JANNESARI is a researcher, writer, and educator exploring the intersections of migration, mental health, and social justice. He founded Stolen Tools, an anti-racist journal, the Migrant Connections Festival, a space for solidarity and community, and Inspiring Ethics, a group reshaping academic ethical practices.

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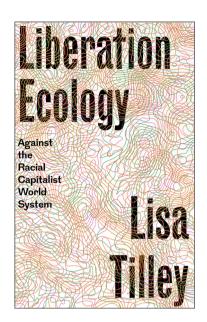
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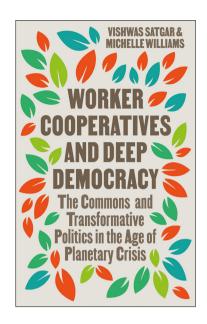
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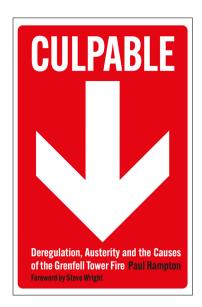
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