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I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings Random House

From her reflections on African American life and hardship in 'Just Give Me a Cool Drink of Water 'fore I Diie' to her revolutionary celebrations of womanhood in 'Phenomenal Woman' and 'Still I Rise', and her elegant tributes to dignitaries Bill Clinton and Nelson Mandela ('On the Pulse of Morning' and 'His Day Is Done', respectively), every inspiring word of

Maya Angelou's poetry is included in the pages of this volume.

And Still I Rise

Phenomenal Woman

This elegant volume commemorates the creation of an extraordinary movie, featuring: specially commissioned watercolors which served as "storyboards"; production and historical photos and documents; essays by director Spielberg, producer Allen (who pursued the project for 13 years), and poet Angelou; and a lengthy text on the making of the film about the fight for freedom by 53 Africans, who, in 1839, were captured as slaves and who rebelled on the Spanish slave ship Amistad.

Maya Angelou Quotes of Wisdom and Hope Sterling Publishing Company
Eleven gay black poets exploring the diversity of gay black life in our time. Meditative and lyrical, celebratory and angry - verse that takes on black homophobia, desire, friendship and family.

Amazing Peace

HarperCollins

The poetry of Nikki Giovanni has spurred movements, turned hearts and informed generations. She's been hailed as a firebrand, a radical, a courageous activist who has spoken out on the sensitive issues that touch our national consciousness,

including race and gender, social justice, protest, violence in the home and in the streets, and why black lives matter. One of America's most celebrated poets looks inward in this powerful collection, a rumination on her life and the people who have shaped her. As energetic and relevant as ever, Nikki now offers us an intimate, affecting, and illuminating look at her personal history and the mysteries of her own heart. In *A Good Cry*, she takes us into her confidence, describing the joy and peril of aging and recalling the violence that permeated her parents' marriage and her early life. She pays homage to the people who have given her life meaning and joy: her grandparents, who took her in and

saved her life; the poets and thinkers who have influenced her; and the students who have surrounded her. Nikki also celebrates her good friend, Maya Angelou, and the many years of friendship, poetry, and kitchen-table laughter they shared before Angelou's death in 2014.

Shaker, Why Don't You Sing? Essence

For poet Mary Oliver, nature is full of mystery and miracle. From the excitement of birds in the sky to the flowers and plants that are "the simple garments" of the earth, the natural world is her text of both the earth's changes and its permanence. In *Blue Iris*, Mary Oliver collects ten new poems, two dozen of her poems written over the last two decades, and two previously unpublished essays on the beauty and wonder of plants. The poet considers roses, of course, as well as poppies and peonies; lilies and morning glories; the thick-bodied black oak and the fragrant white pine; the tall sunflower and the slender

bean. James Dickey has said of her, "Far beneath the surface-flash of linguistic effect, Mary Oliver works her quiet and mysterious spell. It is a true spell, unlike any other poet's, the enchantment of the true maker." In *Blue Iris*, she has captured with breathtaking clarity the true enchantment and mysterious spell of flowers and plants of all sorts and their magnetic hold on us. From the Hardcover edition.

The Moments, the Minutes, the Hours Library of America
From the beloved and bestselling author of *I KNOW WHY THE CAGED BIRD SINGS*, this memoir chronicles Maya Angelou's involvement with the civil rights movement. 'A brilliant writer, a fierce friend and a truly phenomenal woman' BARACK OBAMA
Maya Angelou's seven volumes of autobiography are a testament to the talents and resilience of this extraordinary writer. Loving the world, she also knows its cruelty. As a black woman she has known discrimination and extreme poverty, but also hope, joy, achievement and celebration. The fourth volume of her enthralling autobiography finds Maya Angelou immersed in the world of black writers and artists in Harlem, working in the civil rights movement with Martin Luther King. 'She moved through the world with unshakeable calm, confidence and a fierce grace . . . She will always be the rainbow in

my clouds' OPRAH WINFREY
'She was important in so many ways. She launched African American women writing in the United States. She was generous to a fault. She had nineteen talents - used ten. And was a real original. There is no duplicate'

TONI MORRISON
Oh Pray My Wings Are Gonna Fit Me Well Random House Trade Paperbacks

In this exquisite book, Alice Walker's first new collection of poetry since 1991, are poems that reaffirm her as "one of the best American writers of today" (The Washington Post). The forces of nature and the strength of the human spirit inspire the poems in *Absolute Trust in the Goodness of the Earth*. Alice Walker opens us to feeling and understanding, with poems that cover a broad spectrum of emotions. With profound artistry, Walker searches for, discovers, and declares the fundamental beauty of existence, as she explores what it means to experience life fully, to learn from it, and to grow both as an individual and as part of a greater spiritual community. About Walker's *Horses Make a Landscape Look More Beautiful*, America said, "In the tradition of Whitman, Walker sings, celebrates and agonizes over the ordinary vicissitudes that link and separate all of humankind," and the same can be said about this astonishing new collection, *Absolute Trust*

in the Goodness of the Earth.
Essence Maya Angelou
Hachette UK

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important part of keeping this knowledge alive and relevant.

Phenomenal Woman Random House Incorporated
"I am The Rage is a timely look at generations of trauma and inaction." — Bustle For fans of Amanda Gorman's *The Hill We Climb* and Morgan Parker's *There are More Beautiful Things Than Beyoncé*, comes a diverse poetry collection like no other. From two Black women of two different generations, *I am The Rage* provides insights that no think piece on racism can; putting readers in the position of feeling, reflecting, and facing what it means to be Black in America. Dr. Martina McGowan, a retired doctor and grandmother, uses powerful free verse poetry to express the range of emotions and thoughts she had following the deaths of Breonna Taylor and George Floyd, and the subsequent Black Lives Matter protests, giving readers a glimpse into an experience that may or may not mirror their own. Contributing her art, Diana Ejaita's work has been featured in *Vanity Fair*, *The New Yorker*, *The New York Times* and *The Economist*. "The poetry is so intense, the book is so strong, I am very honored...every word was turning and touching my soul. Very emotional," said Ejaita in reaction to her poems being a part of this groundbreaking and educational collection.

A Good Cry Beacon Press
Now Lora Irish, the author of the bestselling *Great Book of Woodburning*, offers thirty-five amazingly

detailed new projects that explore the craft of pyrography across the full range of inventive pyro media.

Gather Together In My Name

Random House

Lyrical and cadent, dramatic and sometimes playful, these poems speak of love, longing, parting; of freedom and shattered dreams; of Saturday-night partying and the smells and sounds of Southern cities.

Maya Angelou Hassell Street Press

The epic made simple. The miracle in the mundane. One day, while browsing an antique store in Helena, Montana, photographer Tyler Knott Gregson stumbled upon a vintage Remington typewriter for sale. Standing up and using a page from a broken book he was buying for \$2, he typed a poem without thinking, without planning, and without the ability to revise anything. He fell in love. Three years and almost one thousand poems later, Tyler is now known as the creator of the Typewriter Series: a striking collection of poems typed onto found scraps of paper or created via blackout method. *Chasers of the Light* features some of his most insightful and beautifully worded pieces of work—poems that illuminate grand gestures and small glimpses, poems that celebrate the beauty of a life spent chasing the light.

Celebrations Random House Incorporated

A collection of poetry written by Maya Angelou.

On the Pulse of Morning

Random House

Maya Angelou's unforgettable collection of poetry lends its name to the documentary film about her life, *And Still I Rise*, as seen on PBS's *American Masters*. Pretty women wonder where my secret lies. I'm not cute or built to suit a fashion model's size But when I start to tell them, They think I'm telling lies. I say, It's in the reach of my arms, The span of my hips, The stride of my step, The curl of my lips. I'm a woman Phenomenally.

Phenomenal woman, That's me. Thus begins

"Phenomenal Woman," just one of the beloved poems collected here in Maya Angelou's third book of verse. These poems are powerful, distinctive, and fresh—and, as always, full of the lifting rhythms of love and remembering. *And Still I Rise* is written from the heart, a celebration of life as only Maya Angelou has discovered it. "It is true poetry she is writing,"

M.F.K. Fisher has observed, "not just rhythm, the beat, rhymes. I find it very moving and at times beautiful. It has an innate purity about it, unquenchable dignity. . . . It is astounding, flabbergasting, to recognize

it, in all the words I read every day and night . . . it gives me heart, to hear so clearly the caged bird singing and to understand her notes."

Maya Angelou CreateSpace

A volume of poetic works explores the intersection between secular and sacred aspects of life, where everyday experiences from caring for an ailing parent to helping a child at the playground have both miraculous and mundane qualities. Reprint. A Los Angeles Times Book Prize finalist.

Letter to My Daughter

Random House

A poem read for the inauguration of President Clinton looks at the history of the country, its problems, and the opportunities that lie ahead

Amistad Hachette UK

Pocket Maya Angelou Wisdom is a collection of some of her best and most empowering quotes. This is the ultimate keepsake for fans of Maya Angelou's beautiful poetry, as well as for anyone looking for a bit of in-the-moment inspiration to have in their back pocket. Some quotes from Maya Angelou: 'If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude.' 'You may not control all the events that happen to you, but you can decide not to be reduced by them.' 'Love recognizes no barriers. It jumps hurdles, leaps fences, penetrates walls to arrive

at its destination full of hope.'
'History, despite its wrenching
pain, cannot be unlived, however,
if faced with courage, need not be
lived again.'

Whirligig House W. W. Norton
& Company

Here is a book as joyous and
painful, as mysterious and
memorable, as childhood itself.

*I Know Why the Caged Bird
Sings* captures the longing of
lonely children, the brute insult
of bigotry, and the wonder of
words that can make the world
right. Maya Angelou's debut
memoir is a modern American
classic beloved worldwide.

Sent by their mother to live
with their devout, self-
sufficient grandmother in a
small Southern town, Maya
and her brother, Bailey, endure
the ache of abandonment and
the prejudice of the local
"powhitetrash." At eight years
old and back at her mother's
side in St. Louis, Maya is
attacked by a man many times
her age—and has to live with
the consequences for a
lifetime. Years later, in San
Francisco, Maya learns that
love for herself, the kindness
of others, her own strong spirit,
and the ideas of great authors
("I met and fell in love with
William Shakespeare") will
allow her to be free instead of
imprisoned. Poetic and
powerful, *I Know Why the
Caged Bird Sings* will touch
hearts and change minds for as
long as people read. "I Know
Why the Caged Bird Sings
liberates the reader into life

simply because Maya Angelou
confronts her own life with
such a moving wonder, such a
luminous dignity."—James
Baldwin From the Paperback
edition.

Homegirls & Handgrenades
Schwartz & Wade

A collection of poetic works
drawn from the personal
writings of the award-winning
music artist and lyricist
explores such themes as love,
the self, and the author's
experiences as an African-
American woman. 125,000
first printing.

**Even the Stars Look
Lonesome** Gale, Cengage
Learning

Another remarkable
collection of poetry from one
of America's masters of the
medium. The first part
gathers together poems of
love and nostalgic memory,
while Part II portrays
confrontations inherent in a
racist society.