

GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

BOOKS

Children will enjoy turning the pages of these creative books

The Legend of the Lady's Slipper

By Kathyjo Wargin
Illustrated by Gijbert van Frankenhuyzen
Sleeping Bear Press
\$27.95

A is for America
By Devin Scillian
Illustrated by Pam Carroll
Sleeping Bear Press
\$22.95

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For the past several years, Chelsea's Sleeping Bear Press has been churning out some of the most impressive children's books to come around in a long time.
The series of legend books, which started with The Legend of Sleeping Bear, now number four, with the latest release of The Legend of the Lady's Slipper.
Written by Kathyjo Wargin and illustrated by Gijbert van Frankenhuyzen, the hardcover book is a suspenseful tale of a young maiden's run through the forest to save the people of her village.
The legend is believed to be from the Ojibwe people of the northern Great Lakes, and the author notes that she heard the tale when she was a young girl in northern Minnesota.
The book focuses on Running Flower, a young maiden who is dearly loved by her people and has a deep respect for them and the land. When an illness threatens her community, and her mother, Running Flower sets off across the frozen land to find medicine in a distant village.
Through her struggles, Running Flower never loses hope, and her strength and determination are remembered each spring with the emergence of a sea of beautiful Lady's Slippers.
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Illustrations are often a montage of images, such as the letter 'T' which combines Rosa Parks with popcorn, Pike's Peak and pilgrims. It's a stretch, but for the most part, artist Pam Carroll keeps things simple, and uses some special effects to keep the pages turning.

The book is heavy on alliteration, which is great for keeping kids' attention, but hard if you're the one wading through the sea of tongue-twisters.
Each letter tells a short story, and the margins give details for those who want to go a bit more in-depth. For example, the letter 'J' covers Jamestown, James Monroe, Thomas Jefferson, Jackson Hole, Wyo, and jazz. Each of these is defined in the margin in greater detail.

A is for America is definitely a book that can grow with your child. Toddlers will enjoy the detailed illustrations, young elementary students will appreciate the prose, and older elementary students will recognize the wealth of history available in this book.

A is for America is one in a continuing series of alphabet books from Sleeping Bear Press. M is for Mitten and L is for Lincoln are other popular favorites.
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BESTSELLERS/NEW RELEASES

NEW TO THE LIST THIS WEEK
White Teeth, by Zadie Smith (P) Fiction #5
Driving Mr. Albert, by Michael Paterniti (P) Nonfiction #12
Bitterroot, by James Lee Burke (HC Fiction #10)
The Wind Done Gone (HC Fiction #15)
The Metaphysical Club, by Louis Menand (HC Nonfiction #13)
Hugger Muggger, by Robert B. Parker (Mass Market #6)
Julie and Romeo, by Jeanne Ray (Mass Market #6)
Listen to the Silence, by Marcia Muller (Mass Market #10)
Artemis Fowl, by Eoin Colfer (Children's #3)

TRADE PAPERBACK NON-FICTION
1. In the Heart of the Sea; Nathaniel Philbrick, Penguin, \$14
2. The Greatest Generation; Tom Brokaw, Dell, \$12.95
3. Me Talk Pretty One Day; David Sedaris, Back Bay, \$14.95
4. A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius; Dave Eggers, Vintage, \$14
5. The Worst-Case Scenario Survival Handbook: Travel; Joshua Piven, David Borgenicht, Chronicle, \$19.95
6. The Four Agreements; Don Miguel Ruiz, Amber-Allen, \$12.95
7. The Worst-Case Scenario Survival Handbook; Joshua Piven, Chronicle, \$14.95
8. Call Me Crazy: A Confessional; Anthony Bourdain, Ecco Press, \$14
9. In a Sunburned Country; Bill Bryson, Broadway, \$14.95
10. Guns, Germs, and Steel; Jared Diamond, Norton, \$16.95
11. Galileo's Daughter; Dava Sobel, Penguin, \$14
12. Driving Mr. Albert - 1st Week on List; Book Sense Book of the Year Finalist - Michael Paterniti, Dell, \$10.95
13. Life Strategies; Phillip C. McGraw, Wiley, \$11.95
14. George W. Bushisms; Edited by Jacob Weisberg, S&S, \$9.95
15. My Grandfather's Blessing; Rachel Naomi Remen, Riverhead, \$14
ON THE RISE
16. How to Grill; Steven Raichlen, Workman, \$19.95
The author of THE BARBECUE BIBLE is back with an illustrated guide to perfectly grilling... everything!
25. Educating Emsa; Eric Raitl, Coddell, Algonquin Books, \$10.95
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THE BOOK SENSE BESTSELLER LIST
Reporting week ending Sunday, June 17. Based on reporting from Independent Bookstores across America. Emailed to stores, publisher partners and media carrying the list Tuesday, June 19. Online for all stores and media Bookweb.org, and BookSense.com Thursday, June 21.

INDEPENDENT BOOKSTORES FOR INDEPENDENT MINDS TRADE PAPERBACK FICTION
1. Girl With a Pearl Earring; Tracy Chevalier, Plume, \$12.00
2. The Red Tent: Book Sense Book of the Year Award Winner; Anita Diamant, Picador, \$14.95
3. Bridget Jones's Diary; Helen Fielding, Penguin, \$12.95
4. Bee Season - Book Sense Book of the Year Finalist - Myla Goldberg, Vintage, \$13
5. White Teeth - 1st Week on List; Zadie Smith, Vintage, \$14
6. Girl In Hyacinth Blue; Susan Vreeland, Penguin, \$12
7. Anil's Ghost; Michael Ondaatje, Vintage, \$13.95
8. The Love; Charles Baxter, Vintage, \$13
9. Big Stone Gap; Adriana Trigiani, Ballantine, \$12.95
10. Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason; Helen Fielding, Penguin, \$13
11. Firenze Invalida: Home From Hot Climates; Tom Robbins, Bantam, \$13.95
12. Ahah's Wife; Sena Jeter Nalund, Perennial, \$16
13. Interpreter of Maladies; Jhumpa Lahiri, Mariner, \$12
14. The Passionwood Bible; Barbara Kingsolver, Perennial, \$14
15. Jim the Boy; Tony Earley, Back Bay, \$12.95

THE WORST-CASE SCENARIO SURVIVAL HANDBOOK: TRAVEL; JOSHUA PIVEN, DAVID BORGENTICHT, CHRONICLE, \$19.95
THE FOUR AGREEMENTS; DON MIGUEL RUIZ, AMBER-ALLEN, \$12.95
THE WORST-CASE SCENARIO SURVIVAL HANDBOOK; JOSHUA PIVEN, CHRONICLE, \$14.95
CALL ME CRAZY: A CONFESSATIONAL; ANTHONY BOURDAIN, ECCO PRESS, \$14
IN A SUNBURNED COUNTRY; BILL BRYSON, BROADWAY, \$14.95
GUNS, GERMS, AND STEEL; JARED DIAMOND, NORTON, \$16.95
GALILEO'S DAUGHTER; DAVA SOBEL, PENGUIN, \$14
DRIVING MR. ALBERT - 1ST WEEK ON LIST; BOOK SENSE BOOK OF THE YEAR FINALIST - MICHAEL PATERNITI, DELL, \$10.95
LIFE STRATEGIES; PHILIP C. MCGRAW, WILEY, \$11.95
GEORGE W. BUSHISMS; EDITED BY JACOB WEISBERG, S&S, \$9.95
MY GRANDFATHER'S BLESSING; RACHEL NAOMI REMEN, RIVERHEAD, \$14
HOW TO GRILL; STEVEN RAICHLEN, WORKMAN, \$19.95
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