

December 2019

Dear Friend of the WNBA,

It's the end of another successful year for the [Women's National Book Association](#) (WNBA), but, most notably, it is the end of a decade, and we have much to look back on and be grateful for.



First, we are extremely grateful for our members in each chapter. It is the hard work of our chapters and their members that drive our organization by showing up and showing just how much your community, women, writing, literacy, and the publishing and book world mean to you. Without active and passionate members like you, we wouldn't have been able to exist as an organization for the past 102 years.

As part of the national executive board, we are also thankful to be able to now have national membership. It's always been important to us to bring women together across the country, no matter their proximity to a chapter, and to be able to offer a community of support, curated information, and opportunities to connect with women in the book world.

As we move into the next decade, we remain dedicated to being the thread that interweaves a thriving world of women, community, writing, and books. Our goal continues to be to amplify your voices and to show the rest of the world why women in the book world matter.

Wishing you all a wonderful holiday season and a bright 2020!

Sincerely,

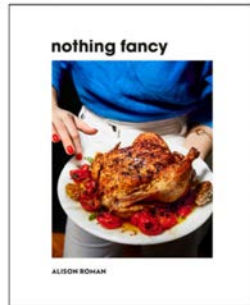
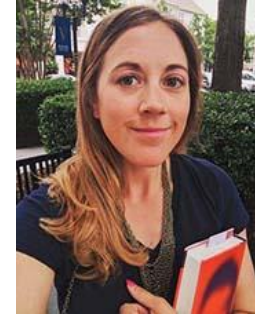
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Book Ideas for Holiday Gifts

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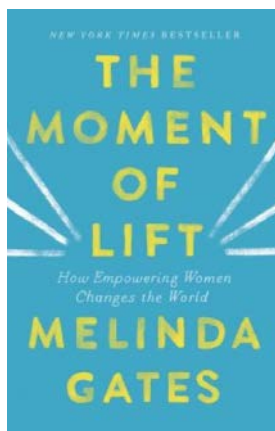
Still have a few people left on your holiday gift list? As a bibliophile, my go-to present for friends and family alike is always a book.

Here are a few 2019 releases that could be perfect wrapped up under the tree for someone special.



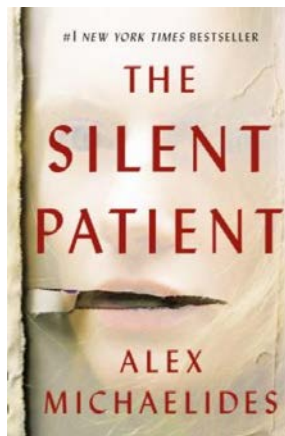
[Nothing Fancy by Alison Roman](#)

With famous recipes like "The Stew" and "The Cookie," Alison Roman has become one of the most Instagram-worthy chefs on the food scene. Her latest cookbook, [Nothing Fancy](#), would bring a smile to any foodie/cook/super-hostess on your list.



[The Moment of Lift by Melinda Gates](#)

In her book, Melinda Gates discusses the experiences, observations, and takeaways she's gained from her decades-long work to help lift women up across the globe. This is not Gates tooting her own horn but giving a spotlight to the important issues, inspiring stories, and fascinating people she's encountered along the way. A great inspirational gift for the nonfiction reader.



[The Silent Patient by Alex Michaelides](#)

Alicia Berenson seems to have the perfect life until one day she murders her husband and never talks again. Theo Faber, a criminal psychotherapist, tries to unravel the mystery of Alicia's sudden act of violence and continued silence. The further he gets into the case, the more Theo becomes consumed by it. One of the top mystery thrillers of the year, this book is just right for that person who loves an up-all-night page turner.

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Find a local chapter or become one of our National Network members!

Become a WNBA Member



WNBA Gifts for the Holidays

Consider supporting the WNBA this holiday season by purchasing gifts from our Zazzle store.

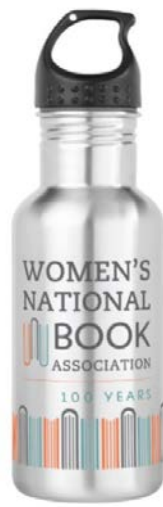
Below are a few merchandise options that would make for great presents. Use this discount code for 20% off site wide: **50OFFTOPSALE**.



[The WNBA Centennial Women's T-Shirt](#)

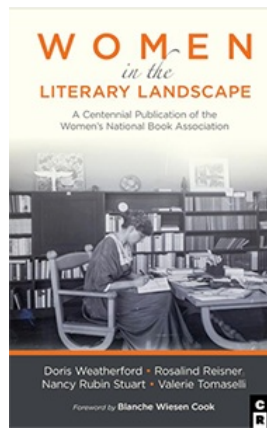


[The Book Logo Tote Bag](#)



The 18oz Stainless Steel Water Bottle

Support the WNBA



Buy a copy of

Women in the Literary Landscape!

With *Women in the Literary Landscape*, the Women's National Book Association breaks new ground with a narrative connecting women's contributions to the literary world with the relevant social history.

Donate to the WNBA

This giving season, consider making a donation to our organization. We appreciate your support!

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