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[Thousand Cranes](#) Oct 31 2022 Nobel Prize winner Yasunari Kawabata's *Thousand Cranes* is a luminous story of desire, regret, and the almost sensual nostalgia that binds the living to the dead. While attending a traditional tea ceremony in the aftermath of his parents' deaths, Kikuji encounters his father's former mistress, Mrs. Ota. At first Kikuji is appalled by her indelicate nature, but it is not long before he succumbs to passion—a passion with tragic and unforeseen consequences, not just for the two lovers, but also for Mrs. Ota's daughter, to whom Kikuji's attachments soon extend. Death, jealousy, and attraction convene around the delicate art of the tea ceremony, where every gesture is imbued with profound meaning.

[Sandhill and Whooping Cranes](#) Apr 12 2021 Driving west from Lincoln to Grand Island, Nebraska, Paul A. Johnsgard remarks, is like driving backward in time. "I suspect," he says, "that the migrating cranes of a pre-ice age period some ten million years ago would fully understand every nuance of the crane conversation going on today along the Platte." Johnsgard has spent nearly a half century observing cranes, from a yearly foray to Nebraska's Platte River valley to see the spring migration, to pilgrimages to the birds' wintering grounds in Arizona and nesting territory in Alaska. In this book he draws from his own extensive experience as well as the latest science to offer a richly detailed and deeply felt account of the ecology of sandhill and whooping cranes and the wetlands in which they live. Incorporating current information on changing migration patterns, population trends, and breeding ranges, Johnsgard explains the life cycle of the crane, as well as the significance of these species to our natural world. He also writes frankly of the uncertain future of these majestic birds, as cranes and their habitats face the effects of climate change and increasing human population pressures. Illustrated with the author's own ink drawings and containing a detailed guide to crane-viewing sites in the United States and Canada, this book is at once an invaluable reference and an eloquent testimony to how much these birds truly mean.

[Seedlings: Cranes](#) Aug 24 2019 *Seedlings* offers irresistible introductions to exotic animals and familiar construction vehicles, using a friendly voice and educational text crafted for the youngest of readers. Dynamic photos depict the bodies, behaviors, and habitats of animals and the parts, operation, and roles of machines.

[Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes](#) Mar 31 2020

[Sandhill Cranes & Pileated Woodpeckers: FLAMING REDHEADS!](#) Nov 07 2020 LOVE OF NATURE Series. Issue 2: Two very large fascinating birds

include the Sandhill Cranes and the Pileated Woodpeckers. Though they have similar characteristics they live very different lives. Sandhill cranes are one of the largest migratory birds and the pileated woodpeckers are the largest of the woodpecker family. This book provides foundational fun facts about both members of these bird families. "Another great educational book written by Dr. NeSmith. Everything you need to know about the life span, behaviors, diets and reproduction of both the Sandhill Crane and Pileated Woodpecker can be found in this book. Complete with great photos of both in their natural habitat. Learn about the similarities & differences of these majestic birds in this easy-to-read informative book." ---Laurie Aleixo, DVM, Fort Pierce, Florida USA
Cranes Oct 07 2020 "Developed by literacy experts and educators for students in PreK through grade two, this book introduces beginning readers to cranes through simple, predictable text and related photos"--Provided by publisher"--

Cranes and Derricks, Fourth Edition May 26 2022 The Definitive Handbook on Cranes and Derricks--Updated Per the Latest Standards and Equipment Fully revised throughout, Cranes and Derricks. Fourth Edition, offers comprehensive coverage of the selection, installation, and safe use of cranes and derricks on construction sites. Written for both engineers and non-engineers by the principals of an engineering consulting firm that has helped to define the state-of-the-art in crane and derrick engineering, this authoritative guide discusses a wide range of equipment and the operations, capabilities, advantages, and disadvantages of each device. References to U.S. and international codes and standards are included in this practical resource, as well as a comprehensive glossary. Cranes and Derricks, Fourth Edition, covers: Lifting equipment theory and fundamentals Crane and derrick types and configurations Mobile crane practices for both crawler and wheel-based cranes Multiple crane picks Installation design for tower cranes Jumping of tower cranes Chicago boom, guy, gin pole, stiffleg, and other forms of derricks Loads acting on cranes and the forces imposed by cranes on their supports Analysis of wind using ASCE-37 and ASCE-7 Stability against overturning Safety and risk management

The Paper Crane Feb 08 2021 Business returns to a once prosperous restaurant when a mysterious stranger pays for his meal with a magical paper crane that comes alive and dances.

Whooping Cranes: Biology and Conservation Jun 02 2020 Whooping Cranes: Biology and Conservation covers one of the most endangered birds in North America, and the subject of intense research and highly visible conservation activity. The volume summarizes current biological information on Whooping Cranes and provides the basis for future research necessary for conservation of this species. This edited volume concentrates on work completed in the past 20 years in the areas of population biology, behavior and social structure, habitat use, disease and health, captive breeding, and Whooping Crane conservation. Much of the information presented comes from the study and management of remnant and reintroduced populations of Whooping Cranes in the field; some information is from experimentation and breeding of captive Whooping Cranes. Whooping Cranes: Biology and Conservation seeks to inform and galvanize action dedicated to meeting the challenges faced by Whooping Crane managers and conservationists. Thus, it describes one model of endangered species conservation and restoration that will interest a wide audience: professionals that work on cranes; researchers in the fields of small population biology, endangered species, and avian ecology; wildlife veterinarians and those involved in avian husbandry; administrators of management agencies or conservation organizations; conservationists in other fields; teachers of conservation biology or ornithology and their students; and the educated general public. Presents a comprehensive treatment of the biology and ecology of Whooping Cranes, including biology of both remnant and reintroduced populations of Whooping Cranes Describes efforts over the past 45 years on conservation and the challenges of reintroducing an endangered species Includes chapters from a variety of disciplinary and scale perspectives, ranging from evolution, to population ecology, behavior, habitat use, large landscape conservation, conflict, and conservation efforts Features contributions that are readable, yet technically complete and fully referenced Provides an example of partnership and collegial action that integrates information produced by scientific research and operational wildlife management Edited and written by the leading Whooping Crane scholars and practitioners focused on this high-profile species of conservation concern

Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes (Puffin Modern Classics) Apr 24 2022 "An extraordinary book, one no reader will fail to find compelling and

unforgettable.” —Booklist, starred review The star of her school’s running team, Sadako is lively and athletic...until the dizzy spells start. Then she must face the hardest race of her life—the race against time. Based on a true story, Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes celebrates the courage that makes one young woman a heroine in Japan. “[The] story speaks directly to young readers of the tragedy of Sadako's death and, in its simplicity, makes a universal statement for 'peace in the world.’” —The Horn Book “The story is told tenderly but with neither a morbid nor a sentimental tone: it is direct and touching.” —BCCB

Cranes Jul 16 2021 Describes the parts of a crane, how it works, and what it does at a construction site.

A Chorus of Cranes Sep 17 2021 "Accompanied by the stunning photography of Mangelsen, Johnsgard details the natural history, biology and conservation issues surrounding the abundant sandhill crane and the endangered whooping crane in North America"--

On the Wings of Cranes Aug 05 2020 To love whooping cranes, sandhill cranes, and Kirtland's warblers was easy for Larry Walkinshaw. Saving them from extinction engulfed his life. Journey into Walkinshaw's incredible life drama to discover how his adventures led him onto the pinnacle of ornithological attainment-into that world of birding he so loved and mastered. Join him in the global wilderness of marshlands, deserts, and tundra seeking nature's truths as birds literally hatched, fluttered, and died in his hands. *On the Wings of Cranes* reveals how cranes and Walkinshaw became synonymous. Recognized as "The Father of International Studies of Gruiformes," he led in the salvation of endangered whooping cranes, greater sandhill cranes, and Kirtland's warblers. At times, heartbreak entered his life, but his perseverance held as he took calculated risks, sacrificed, and struggled to save endangered birds. Beneath the mask of his deliberate and reserved personality resided a uniquely complicated genius who desired to serve both nature and humankind. *On the Wings of Cranes* extends an invitation to respond to the powers of inspiration, motivation, and self-discipline. The theme of Walkinshaw's life is birding-inspiration its message. Soar with Walkinshaw, from take-off to landing, on the wings of cranes.

Six Crimson Cranes Sep 29 2022 A princess in exile, a shapeshifting dragon, six enchanted cranes, and an unspeakable curse... Drawing from 'The Wild Swans' and East Asian folklore, this breathtakingly original fantasy from the author of *Spin the Dawn* is perfect for fans of Leigh Bardugo or Tomi Adeyemi. Shiori'anma, the only princess of Kiata, has a secret. Forbidden magic runs through her veins. Normally she conceals it well, but on the morning of her betrothal ceremony, Shiori loses control. At first, her mistake seems like a stroke of luck, forestalling the wedding she never wanted. But it also catches the attention of Raikama, her stepmother. A sorceress in her own right, Raikama banishes the young princess, turning her brothers into cranes. She warns Shiori that she must speak of it to no one: for with every word that escapes her lips, one of her brothers will die. Penniless, voiceless, and alone, Shiori searches for her brothers, and uncovers a dark conspiracy to seize the throne. Only Shiori can set the kingdom to rights, but to do so she must place her trust in a paper bird, a mercurial dragon, and the very boy she fought so hard not to marry. And she must embrace the magic she's been taught all her life to forswear--no matter what the cost.

Sandhill Crane Display Dictionary Sep 25 2019 Renowned for their elaborate mating displays, sandhill cranes also use body language to announce intent, establish dominance, show arousal, preserve the nest territory and bond male and female pairs. This beautifully photographed product – the result of years of field research by Christy and George Happ – provides a handy pocket dictionary to the meanings of their complicated displays. Created and printed in the USA, this guide was updated in 2012.

The Lost Language of Cranes Aug 17 2021 Presents the story of Philip Benjamin, a young man haunted by images of his staid, middle-class parents and frightened by the thought of revealing his homosexual identity to them.

Amazing Machines Colossal Cranes Jun 22 2019 *Amazing Machines: Colossal Cranes* follows the animal team as they encounter all the jobs cranes carry out on a busy, bustling building site. Each page is filled with details that machine-mad kids will love. From airplanes to electric cars, the internationally bestselling *Amazing Machines* series is the perfect way for children to learn about all sorts of machines and vehicles! Each book introduces a new vehicle or machine and the many jobs it can do. Ant Parker's bright, engaging artwork and Tony Mitton's simple, rhyming text combine to make these fantastic books for young

children. Kids will love getting to know the friendly, animal characters who feature throughout the series and reading about their fast-paced adventures! Continue to explore all things that go with the rest of the Amazing Machines series, including Cool Cars, Patrolling Police Cars and Roaring Rockets. Rhyming text and illustrations describe different kinds of cranes.

A Thousand Cranes Jan 28 2020 How to fold the famous Japanese Paper Crane and string 1,000 cranes, inspired by the story of Sadako and Hiroshima.

Whooping Crane Jan 10 2021 Approximately 250 wild whooping cranes nest in northern Canada and winter in south Texas, flying 2,500 miles annually between these two distinct havens: the coastal marshes of the Gulf of Mexico and the boreal wilderness on the border of Alberta and the Northwest Territories. Through twists of good fortune, each of these terminal migratory places is protected from human encroachment—by a U.S. national wildlife refuge on the one hand and a Canadian national park on the other. This last remaining natural flock of the species, its numbers small but slowly increasing, has thus become known by the names of its sanctuaries: Aransas–Wood Buffalo. On the flock’s wintering grounds at Aransas National Wildlife Refuge in Texas, photographer Klaus Nigge has captured the daily activity of a single family over several weeks in two separate years, documenting their life in the salt marshes of the central Texas coast and, in one year, the happy arrival from the north of twin adolescents, itself an unusual event. Then, with the backing of National Geographic magazine, he received unprecedented permission from the Canadian government to photograph the cranes’ summer nesting sites in remote areas of Wood Buffalo National Park. To obtain these unique photographs, he sat in a cleverly constructed blind for six days and nights, watching as a chick hatched and the adults cared for their young. There he witnessed both the peace and the perils of the cranes’ summer haven. In three galleries, each containing portfolios of images of these magnificent birds in their natural habitat, Nigge captures the beauty and essential mystery that have led humans the world over to include cranes in their earliest myths and legends. Additionally, Nigge has written vignettes to accompany each of the portfolios. Krista Schlyer provides an introductory text that affords an overview of crane history. She chronicles the monumental efforts by humans to ensure the survival of the species and has added a profile of Nigge, outlining his extraordinary entry into the world of wild whooping cranes in order to acquire these breathtaking photographs.

The Quality of Cranes Jun 14 2021

The Cranes Dance Jul 28 2022 I threw my neck out in the middle of Swan Lake last night. So begins the tale of Kate Crane, a soloist in a celebrated New York City ballet company who is struggling to keep her place in a very demanding world. At every turn she is haunted by her close relationship with her younger sister, Gwen, a fellow company dancer whose career quickly surpassed Kate’s, but who has recently suffered a breakdown and returned home. Alone for the first time in her life, Kate is anxious and full of guilt about the role she may have played in her sister’s collapse. As we follow her on an insider tour of rehearsals, performances, and partners onstage and off, she confronts the tangle of love, jealousy, pride, and obsession that are beginning to fracture her own sanity. Funny, dark, intimate, and unflinchingly honest, *The Cranes Dance* is a book that pulls back the curtains to reveal the private lives of dancers and explores the complicated bond between sisters.

Tree of Cranes Aug 29 2022 A Japanese boy learns of Christmas when his mother decorates a pine tree with paper cranes.

Origami Peace Cranes Dec 09 2020 ****Winner Creative Child Magazine 2018 Preferred Choice Award**** Origami Peace Cranes is a multicultural children's book about the capacity for friendship in all of us, and the power of small, but meaningful actions. When Emma moves to a new town, she's afraid she'll never make friends. She tries her hardest to make a good impression on her new classmates. Through a paper crane origami project, her classmates show her that they really want to get to know her. Later, when a new family moves into her neighborhood, Emma has a great idea how to make them feel welcome! Filled with fun pictures and ideas, this story addresses the anxiety that comes with new beginnings and introduces kids to moving, making new friends, and starting at a new school. This book also includes: Step-by-step instructions for making a paper crane 12 sheets of printable origami paper, so that kids can make their own cranes to share! Proceeds support the Peace Crane Project—originally created for the United Nations International Day of Peace, it aims to expand students' understanding of and appreciation for other cultures, people and countries.

The Book of Cranes Jul 24 2019 For Cooley the cranes are something beyond curiosity, perhaps familiar, yet inexplicable. To learn about the cranes, she went to the International Crane Fdn. in Wisconsin (the only place where all 15 species exist). There she walked among them and interacted with them. For 60 million years, cranes have flown over practically every continent. They can fly at altitudes of up to 30,000 ft. and can migrate over 5,000 miles. This book shares the magnificence of these creatures and helps their survival. For each species of crane, Cooley offers a page of poetic description accompanied by a watercolor illustration. A beautiful work of art with a gorgeous slipcase.

One Thousand Paper Cranes Feb 20 2022 The inspirational story of the Japanese national campaign to build the Children's Peace Statue honoring Sadako and hundreds of other children who died as a result of the bombing of Hiroshima. Ten years after the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, Sadako Sasaki died as a result of atomic bomb disease. Sadako's determination to fold one thousand paper cranes and her courageous struggle with her illness inspired her classmates. After her death, they started a national campaign to build the Children's Peace Statue to remember Sadako and the many other children who were victims of the Hiroshima bombing. On top of the statue is a girl holding a large crane in her outstretched arms. Today in Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park, this statue of Sadako is beautifully decorated with thousands of paper cranes given by people throughout the world.

Folding Paper Cranes Oct 19 2021 Follows a former Marine, who was exposed to high doses of radiation while working at the Nevada Test Site in the 1950s and 60s, on his journey to find peace with his past and a future of nuclear proliferation.

On Ancient Wings Mar 24 2022 Rising from sandbars on the Platte River with clarion calls, the sandhill crane (*Grus canadensis*) feels the urgency of spring migration. Elegant, noble, and spiritual, the sandhill crane is one of the most ancient of all birds. More than a half-million strong, flying in squadrons, these majestic creatures point northward to their Arctic and sub-Arctic breeding ranges. There is an epic story of endurance through the ages. With 153 stunning color photographs, *On Ancient Wings* presents sandhill cranes in their wild but increasingly compromised habitats today. Over the course of five years, Michael Forsberg documented the tall gray birds in habitats ranging from the Alaskan tundra, to the arid High Plains, from Cuban nature preserves to suburban backyards. With an eye for beauty and an uncommon persistence, the author documents the cranes' challenges to adapt and survive in a rapidly changing natural world. Forsberg argues that humankind, for its own sake, should secure the cranes' place in the future. *On Ancient Wings* intertwines the lives of cranes, people, and their common places to tell an ancient story at a time when sandhill cranes and their wetland and grassland habitats face daunting prospects.

Cranes of the World Sep 05 2020

One Thousand Paper Cranes Jun 26 2022 The inspirational story of the Japanese national campaign to build the Children's Peace Statue honoring Sadako and hundreds of other children who died as a result of the bombing of Hiroshima. Ten years after the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, Sadako Sasaki died as a result of atomic bomb disease. Sadako's determination to fold one thousand paper cranes and her courageous struggle with her illness inspired her classmates. After her death, they started a national campaign to build the Children's Peace Statue to remember Sadako and the many other children who were victims of the Hiroshima bombing. On top of the statue is a girl holding a large crane in her outstretched arms. Today in Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park, this statue of Sadako is beautifully decorated with thousands of paper cranes given by people throughout the world.

Cranes Mar 12 2021 Introduces young readers to different types of cranes, including those that work on the ground, on the water, and high in the air.

Dynamics and Control of Industrial Cranes Oct 26 2019 This book introduces and develops the mathematical models used to describe crane dynamics, and explores established and emerging control methods employed for industrial cranes. It opens with a general introduction to the design and structure of various crane types including gantry cranes, rotary cranes, and mobile cranes currently being used for material handling processes. Mathematical models describing their dynamics for control purposes are developed via two different modeling approaches: lumped-mass and distributed parameter models. Control strategies applicable to real industrial problems are then discussed, including open-loop control, feedback control, boundary control, and hybrid control strategies.

Finally, based on the methods covered in the book, future research directions are proposed for the advancement of crane technologies. This book can be used by graduate students, engineers, and researchers in the material handling industry including those working in warehouses, manufacturing, construction sites, ship building, seaports, container terminals, nuclear power plants, and in offshore engineering.

The Birds of Heaven May 02 2020 The naturalist and explorer shares his love affair with the crane through his many illustrations focusing on the great bird, along with fascinating text about the creature's place in history, myth, and the natural world. 25,000 first printing.

Little First Stickers Diggers and Cranes Feb 29 2020 The perfect book for any child who is fascinated by building sites and big machines. Children will enjoy bringing scenes to life and seeing their favourite vehicles in action with characterful animals busy at work driving the diggers and cranes. Hundreds of stickers are provided to fill scenes such as "Carrying cargo", "In a quarry", and "Demolition". Sticker books are brilliant for developing essential fine motor skills and creativity as children carefully choose stickers for each scene. The compact format makes this a handy activity book to pack for a holiday or on a car journey. The reusable stickers and fold-out page on which to store them makes this the perfect activity book to complete again and again. Text prompts on every page improve vocabulary and provide plenty of things to talk about.

Loaders / Palas Cargadoras Nov 27 2019 Introduces loaders and describes the jobs they do.

Crane Music May 14 2021 Graced with illustrations by the author, Crane Music introduces the two North American crane species. The sandhill, most often seen, is within easy reach of bird-watchers in the center of the continent. Less visible is the whooping crane, struggling back from near extinction. Paul Johnsgard follows these elegant birds through a year's cycle, describing their seasonal migrations, natural habitats, breeding biology, call patterns—angelic to the bird-lover's ear—and fascinating dancing. The largest and most spectacular migratory concentration of cranes happens each spring when the Platte River valley becomes the staging ground for an amazing gathering of four hundred thousand to five hundred thousand sandhills en route from the South to the Arctic tundra. Johnsgard describes this incredible event as well as memorable personal encounters with the cranes. His knowledge of them transcends natural history, covering their importance in religion and mythology.

Cranes, Herons & Egrets Jan 22 2022 "Delight in North America's most uniquely beautiful birds. Breathtaking photographs and engaging content portray the lives of these stately, striking, stealthy birds"--Back cover.

1001 Cranes Dec 21 2021 "A contemplative story."—Booklist When twelve-year-old Angela Kato arrives in L.A., the last thing she wants to do is spend the entire summer with her grandparents. But in the Kato family, one is never permitted to complain. Grandma Michi and Aunt Janet put Angela to work in their flower shop, folding origami and creating 1001-crane displays for newlyweds. At first, Angela learns the trade begrudgingly. But when her folding skills improve and her relationships with family and friends grow, Angela is able to cope with her troubles, especially her parents' impending divorce. "A wonderfully engaging and poignant novel about a revered Japanese American custom that transforms the life of a lost young girl."—Cynthia Kadohata, Newbery Award-winning author of Kira-Kira

Circle of Cranes Dec 29 2019 A lyrical fantasy blending fairy tale elements with contemporary issues Thirteen-year-old Suyin is a poor orphan who has a strange gift with languages and a mysterious connection to the cranes in her small Chinese village. When a shady human trafficker arrives promising luxury and riches beyond belief in America, the villagers elect Suyin - whom they consider lucky - to go as their benefactress. But instead of luxury, Suyin is forced to work in a sweatshop in New York City's Chinatown. Suyin's future seems hopeless, until her beloved cranes arrive and reveal that she is no ordinary girl - instead, she is the daughter of the Crane Queen. Now her mother's life is in danger, and Suyin must prove herself worthy of her position as the Crane Princess, in order to save her mother and the entire clan of cranes. For fans of Grace Lin and Laurence Yep, this is a beautiful story of the meaning of family and finding one's true path in life.

Land of the Cranes (Scholastic Gold) Nov 19 2021 From the prolific author of The Moon Within comes the heart-wrenchingly beautiful story in verse of a

young Latinx girl who learns to hold on to hope and love even in the darkest of places: a family detention center for migrants and refugees. Nine-year-old Betita knows she is a crane. Papi has told her the story, even before her family fled to Los Angeles to seek refuge from cartel wars in Mexico. The Aztecs came from a place called Aztlan, what is now the Southwest US, called the land of the cranes. They left Aztlan to establish their great city in the center of the universe-Tenochtitlan, modern-day Mexico City. It was prophesized that their people would one day return to live among the cranes in their promised land. Papi tells Betita that they are cranes that have come home. Then one day, Betita's beloved father is arrested by Immigration Customs Enforcement (ICE) and deported to Mexico. Betita and her pregnant mother are left behind on their own, but soon they too are detained and must learn to survive in a family detention camp outside of Los Angeles. Even in cruel and inhumane conditions, Betita finds heart in her own poetry and in the community she and her mother find in the camp. The voices of her fellow asylum seekers fly above the hatred keeping them caged, but each day threatens to tear them down lower than they ever thought they could be. Will Betita and her family ever be whole again? This critically acclaimed novel, *Land of the Cranes*, joins the Scholastic Gold line, which features award-winning and beloved novels. Includes exclusive bonus content!

Faith of Cranes Jul 04 2020 *Faith of Cranes* weaves together three parallel narratives: the plight and beauty of sandhill cranes, one man's effort to recover hope amid destructive climate change, and the birth of a daughter. [CLICK HERE](#) to download the first chapter from *Faith of Cranes* "Faith of Cranes is a love song to the beauty and worth of the lives we are able to lead in the world just as it is, troubled though it be. Lentfer's storytelling achieves its joys and universality not via grand summations but via grounded self-giving, familial intimacy, funny friendships, attentive griefs, and full-bodied immersion in the Alaskan rainforest. The writing is honest, intensely lived, and overflowing with heart: broken, mended, and whole." —David James Duncan, author of *The Brothers K and God* *Laughs & Plays* Hank Lentfer listened to cranes passing over his home in southeast Alaska for twenty years before bothering to figure out where they were going. On a very visceral level, he didn't want to know. After all, cranes gliding through the wide skies of Alaska are the essence of wildness. But the same animals, pecking a living between the cornfields and condos of California's Central Valley, seem trapped and diminished. A former wildlife biologist and longtime conservationist, Lentfer had come to accept that no number of letters to the editor or trips to D.C. could stop the spread of clear cuts, alter the course of climate change, or ensure that his beloved cranes would always appear. And he had no idea that following the paths of cranes would lead him to the very things he was most afraid of: parenthood, responsibility, and actions of hope in a frustrating and warming world. *Faith of Cranes* is Lentfer's quiet, lyrical memoir of his home and community near Glacier Bay that reveals a family's simple acts -- planting potatoes, watching cranes, hunting deer -- as well as a close and eccentric Alaskan community. It shows how several thousand birds and one little girl teach a new father there is no future imaginable that does not leave room for compassion and grace.

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