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Founded in 2006, Demeter Press is the first publisher focused specifically on Mothering, Reproduction, Sexuality and Family. We are an independent feminist press committed to publishing peer-reviewed scholarly work and creative non-fiction on mothering, reproduction, sexuality and family issues. The press is named in honour of the Goddess Demeter, herstory’s most celebrated empowered and outraged mother.

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Feminist Parenting is a collection of writings from women around the globe who offer unique standpoints on feminist theory, parenting, and empowerment, through poetry, research, and prose. Global perspectives include Anwar Shaheen’s research on parenting inequality in Pakistan, Marlene Pomrenke’s examination of Aboriginal single mothers attending University, and Iza Desperak’s insights on commonalities between contemporary single motherhood in Poland and twentieth century Papua, New Guinea. The collection offers Johanna Wagner’s witty, self-reflective essay on her ambivalence toward her new role as a lesbian parent, and Sarah Keeth’s abortion fantasy sonnet “Tomatoes” in which she describes a pregnant woman who desires, yet struggles with her pregnancy.

Feminist Parenting brings together unique voices and provides riveting perspectives on an institution in flux. The anthology pulls back the veil on power dynamics in relationships and exposes some of the challenges of feminist parenting in society. Authors shed critical light on long-held parenting conventions such as unpaid carework labor, gender roles, and family power dynamics, and expose how particular conventions reproduce gendered inequality. Feminist resistance strategies are offered by authors for “doing parenting,” to increase “mother-power” in the family. This collection raises important questions about contemporary women’s roles and adds to the current literature on feminism, parenting, gender, and family diversity.

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This collection brings together scholarly and creative pieces that reveal how the intellectual, emotional, and physical work of mothering is informed by women’s diverse religiosities and spiritualities. Its contributors examine contemporary and historical perspectives on religious and spiritual mothering through interdisciplinary research, feminist life writing, textual analyses, and creative non-fiction work.

In contrast to the bulk of feminist scholarship which marginalizes women’s religious and spiritual knowledges, this volume explores how such epistemologies fundamentally shape the lived experiences of many mothers across the globe, and it further elucidates the empowerment and enrichment that women derive from their religious beliefs and spiritual worldviews. In doing so, it highlights the vital contributions that mothers have made, and continue to make, in transforming their local communities and institutions, as well as their broader religious and spiritual traditions.

Vanessa Reimer holds a PhD in Gender, Feminist and Women’s Studies from York University. She is the co-editor of Demeter Press collections *Mother of Invention: How Our Mothers Influenced us As Feminist Academics and Activists* and *The Mother-Blame Game*. Her research interests include feminist studies in religion, girlhood, and mothering.
Borderlands and Crossroads
Writing the Motherland

edited by Jane Satterfield and Laurie Kruk

Motherhood does not just originate in the body, but in the world—a place, a region, a country or nation, a landscape, a language, a culture. Mothers are, as novelist Rachel Cusk once observed, “the countries we come from.” This unique literary anthology features thirty-five poems and twenty-three works of prose (creative non-fiction and short fiction). Here, forty-three award-winning and accomplished writers reflect on their complex twenty-first century familial identities and relationships, exploring maternal landscapes of all kinds, including those of heritage, matrilineage, genealogy, geography, emigration, war, exile, alienation, and affiliation.

Spanning the globe—from the UK, the USA, and Canada, Egypt, the former Yugoslavia, France, Africa, Korea and South America—these intimate and honest narratives of the heart cross borders and define crossroads that are personal and political, old and new. Recovering the maternal landscape through poetry and prose, these writers both memorialize and celebrate the power of family to define, limit, and challenge us.

“The reach is global in this gripping collection of poems, stories, and creative non-fiction about mothers and mothering. Here are voices wide-ranging and complex; they tell of love, loss, and renunciation. A wife dies in a cattle car destined for Auschwitz and her husband is forced to make a decisive move to care for their five-day-old son. A carefully guarded secret about her marriage is revealed after the death of a devout grandmother. An unplanned second pregnancy gives rise to confusion and remorse for biological and adoptive mother alike. The landscape of mothering is drawn anew in this raw and haunting collection. Every word rings true.”

—RUTH PANOFSKY, author of Laike and Nahum: A Poem in Two Voices

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Jane Satterfield is the recipient of awards in poetry from the National Endowment for the Arts, Maryland Arts Council, Bellingham Review, Ledbury Poetry Festival, Mslexia, and more. Her essays have received awards from the Pirate’s Alley Faulkner Society, Massachusetts Review, Florida Review, and the Heekin Foundation, among others. Her books of poetry are Her Familiars, Assignment at Vanishing Point, and Shepherdess with an Automatic. She is also the author of Daughters of Empire: A Memoir of a Year in Britain and Beyond (Demeter Press). Born in England, she teaches creative writing at Loyola University Maryland, USA.

Laurie Kruk teaches English at Nipissing University in North Bay, Canada. She has published The Voice is the Story: Conversations with Canadian Writers of Short Fiction (Mosaic, 2003) and Double-Voicing the Canadian Short Story (Ottawa University Press, 2016). She is also the author of three poetry collections: Theories of the World (Netherlandic, 1992), Loving the Alien (YP, 2006), and My Mother Did Not Tell Stories (Demeter, 2012). This last collection is described as weaving “tales that powerfully uncover the necessity of vocalizing that which is learned, experienced, and traditionally unshared” (ARC Poetry Magazine).
The Migrant Maternal
“Birthing” New Lives Abroad

Anna Kuroczycka Schultes and Helen Vallianatos, eds.

This edited volume explores how and why immigrant/refugee mothers’ experiences differ due to the challenges posed by the migration process but also what commonalities underlie immigrant/refugee mothers’ lived experiences. This book will add to the field of women’s studies the much-needed discussion of how immigrant and refugee mothers’ lives are dependent on cultural, environmental and socio-economic circumstances. The collection offers multiple perspectives on migrant mothering by including ethnographic and theoretical submissions along with mothers’ personal narratives and literary analyses from diverse locales: New Zealand, Japan, Canada, The United States, Turkey, Italy and the Netherlands among others.

The first section of the volume focuses on mothers’ roles in the family institution and the pressures and responsibilities they face in “creating” and “reproducing” families physically and socially. The second section shifts its attention to children and highlights mothers’ continued roles in the development of their children abroad, along with the gendered/generational dynamics in the settlement process and the resultant effects on motherhood responsibilities. In all chapters, readers will find how women negotiate their traditional roles in a new sociocultural milieu, and how mothering processes are critical in creating connections with traditions and homelands.

Anna Kuroczycka Schultes holds a PhD in English-Modern Studies and a Women’s Studies certificate from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee. A former Advanced Opportunity Program Fellow at UWM, Anna’s research focuses on migrant female domestic workers, immigration, mothering and care work. Her publications have appeared, among others, in The Journal of Research on Women and Gender (2010), An Anthropology of Mothering (Demeter Press, 2011), and in Anti-Immigration in the United States: A Historical Encyclopedia (2011). Anna’s interest in migration is fueled by feminist research theories. Over the past several years she has been conducting research on Polish mothers in the Chicagoland area.

Helen Vallianatos is an Associate Professor in Anthropology and Associate Dean in the Office of the Dean of Students, University of Alberta. Her research and teaching interests focus on food, gender, body and health issues, and the majority of her research involves collaborative, interdisciplinary work across disciplines and with various community organizations. Much of her recent research has focused on migrant mothers’ health and well-being.
The book argues that the category of mother is distinct from the category of woman and that many of the problems mothers face—socially, economically, politically, culturally, and psychologically—are specific to women’s work and identity as mothers. Indeed, mothers, arguably more so than women in general, remain disempowered despite forty years of feminism. Mothers, thus, need a feminism of their own, one that positions mothers’ concerns as the starting point for a theory and politic of empowerment. O’Reilly terms this new mode of feminism “matricentric feminism,” and the book explores how it is represented and experienced in theory, activism, and practice.

The chapter on maternal theory examines the central theoretical concepts of maternal scholarship to include Adrienne Rich’s distinction between mothering and motherhood, Sara Ruddick’s model of maternal thinking and practice and Patricia Hill Collins’ concept of othermothering, while the chapter on activism considers the twenty-first century motherhood movement. Feminist mothering is likewise examined as the specific practice of matricentric feminism and this chapter discusses varies theories and strategies on and for maternal empowerment. Matricentric feminism is also examined in relation to the larger field of Feminist Theory and Women’s Studies; here O’Reilly persuasively shows how matricentric feminism has been marginalized in feminist scholarship and considers the reasons for such exclusion and how such may be challenged and changed.
The rise of social media has changed how we understand and enact relationships across our lives, including motherhood. The meanings and practices of mothering have been significantly impacted by the availability of online mother groups (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) as well as internet resources intended to ‘enhance’ and inform maternal experience and self-concept (ex. Pinterest, YouTube). The village that now contributes to the mothering experience has grown exponentially, granting mothers access to interactional partners and knowledge never before available. This volume of works explores the impact of social media forms on our cultural understandings of motherhood and the ways that we communicate about the experience and practice of mothering.

The contributing authors in this anthology address diverse topics in mothering and social media, including framing of stepmothers in online forums, mothering in the digital diaspora, the construction of the “bad mother” on Twitter, immersive gaming and parenting classes, virtual mother outlaws, alternative mothering websites, feminist parenting, and more. While the works are primarily rooted in critical and feminist perspectives, a variety of methodologies and approaches to studying mothering and social media are represented in this text, and encourage a robust and thoughtful examination of the role of interactive media in the maternal experience.

Lorin Basden Arnold, PhD, is a family communication and gender scholar. Her recent scholarly work has primarily related to understandings and enactments of motherhood. Her work has appeared in recent Demeter editions, including Intensive Mothering: The Cultural Contradictions of Modern Motherhood and What’s Cooking Mom? Narratives about Food and Family. She is the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at the State University of New York, New Paltz.

BettyAnn Martin is a doctoral candidate in Educational Sustainability at Nipissing University, North Bay, Ontario. She is an educator, doula, mother, and postpartum support coordinator with PSI (Postpartum Support International). Her research interests include the cultural mediation of maternal experience and identity, as well as the educational and therapeutic aspects of shared personal narrative.
Feminist theories of the body, reproduction, and the institution of motherhood typically focus on issues of rights, autonomy, and choice. These themes become increasingly complicated when applied to questions of reproductive loss. *Interrogating Reproductive Loss: Feminist Writings on Abortion, Miscarriage, and Stillbirth* contains essays, short stories, and artwork that imagine a feminist epistemology of loss.

Whereas biomedical and feminist literature treat abortion, miscarriage, and stillbirth as differently conceptualized events, this collection explores the connections between these three categories. How have feminist debates and strategies around reproductive choice invigorated the cultural conversation about miscarriage, and stillbirth? How can we imagine more nuanced engagements with the spectrum of experiences that are at stake when a pregnancy ends? And how can we effectively create a space where women are given the opportunities to “identify and ‘own’” (Cosgrove 2004) the ways that loss makes meaning for those who grieve and/or celebrate the end of pregnancy?
Muslim Mothering
Global Histories, Theories and Practices
ed. by M. Aziza Pappano and Dana M. Olwan

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*Muslim Mothering* is an interdisciplinary volume, concentrating on the experiences of Muslim mothers, largely in the contemporary period. The volume is notable for the global range of its contributors and topics, indicative of the number of Muslim majority national contexts and large and diverse Muslim diaspora of today’s world. While motherhood is highly valued in the sacred texts of Islam, the lived reality of Muslim mothers demonstrates that their lives do not often conform with traditional religious paradigms. Contributions discuss the way that Muslim mothers negotiate cultural institutions and practices, such as divorce, adoption/guardianship, post-partum confinement, and societal/religious expectations of procreation.

This collection demonstrates the diverse and complex ways that Muslim mothers define and redefine the resources of Islam to negotiate better situations for themselves and their children, revealing how religious identity is a dynamic and vital force in their everyday lives.

Mothers and Sons
Centering Mother Knowledge
ed. by Besi Brillian Muhonja and Wanda Thomas Bernard

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This anthology, in a departure from common approaches to studying motherhood, principally privileges mother knowledge and not knowledge about mothers. The autoethnographic lens applied in the different contributions centre phenomenological mother knowledge in examining occupational, relational and emotional dimensions of mothering sons.

*Mothers and Sons: Centering Mother Knowledge* makes a case for the need to de-gender the framing and study of parental legacy. The actualization of an entire collection on this dyad foregrounding motherhood without particularizing the absence of fatherhood is in itself revolutionary. This assemblage of analytical, narrative and creative renderings offers cross-disciplinary conceptualizations of maternal experiences across difference and mothering sons at intersections. The authors’ mother knowledge, or that of their subjects, delivers new insights into the appellations mother, son, motherhood and sonhood.
Motherhood and Lone/Single Parenting
A 21st Century Perspective

edited by Maki Motapanyane

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The 21st century sustains one significant commonality with the decades of the preceding century. The majority of individuals parenting on their own and heading one-parent families continue to be mothers. Even so, current trends in globalization (economic, political, cultural) along with technological advancement, shifts in political, economic and social policy, contemporary demographic shifts, changing trends in the labor sector linked to global economics, and developments in legislative and judicial output, all signify the distinctiveness of the current moment with regard to family patterns and social norms.

Seeking to contribute to an existing body of literature focused on single motherhood and lone parenting in the 20th century, this collection explores and illuminates a more recent landscape of 21st century debates, policies, and experiences surrounding single motherhood and one-parent headed families.

Forever Loved: Exposing the Hidden Crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in Canada

ed. by D. Memee Lavell-Harvard and Jennifer Brant

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“Heart wrenching and enlightening at the same time, this book debunks many of the myths that have perpetuated and excused the appalling levels of violence against Indigenous women and girls in Canada. The authors challenge conventional thinking on the nature of so-called ‘high-risk lifestyles,’ emphasizing the legacy of oppression and the abuse of Indigenous peoples as they make the connection between the history of colonization and genocide and our contemporary experiences of racialized, sexualized violence.”—JEANNETTE CORBIERE LAVELL, Past President of the Native Women’s Association of Canada

“Tremendously informative work on one of the most pressing issues in Canada today. For those seeking answers on how to address the deplorable situation of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls in Canada, they are here.”—KIM ANDERSON, Associate Professor, Indigenous Studies, Faculty of Liberal Arts, Wilfrid Laurier University
“New Maternalisms”
Tales of Motherwork (Dislodging the Unthinkable)
edited by Roksana Badruddoja and Maki Motapanyane

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MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / WOMEN’S AND GENDER STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

This book explores the perceptions of those who engage in and/or research motherwork or the labour of caregiving, and how mothers view themselves in comparison to broader normative understandings of motherwork. Here, the anthology serves to deconstruct motherwork by highlighting and dislodging it from maternal ideology, the socially constructed “good mom” (read as “sacrificial mom”) and feminized hegemonic discourse.

“This rich collection draws together accomplished motherhood scholars across disciplines to raise new questions about how we define and understand global motherhood. It gives voice and new perspective to maternal figures previously less recognized in academic reading. Most importantly, the global perspectives explored in this book will raise awareness about the challenges of understanding motherhood both as an experience and a discipline.”—LAURA TROPP, Professor, Marymount Manhattan College, author of A Womb With a View: America’s Growing Public Interest in Pregnancy

Mothers and Food
Negotiating Foodways from Maternal Perspectives
ed. by Florence Pasche Guignard and Tanya M. Cassidy

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MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / WOMEN’S AND GENDER STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

From multidisciplinary perspectives, this volume explores the roles mothers play in the producing, purchasing, preparing and serving of food to their own families and to their communities in a variety of contexts. Questioning the motto according to which “people are what they eat,” the chapters in this volume show that mothers cannot be categorized simply by how they feed themselves and their family.

“This collection explores the ways that a mother’s role in food procurement, food preparation, and meal serving becomes a crucible for gendered, class, and racial dynamics that reflect public and private agendas. Mothers are shown to be agentic actors whose mothering work repurposes, repackages and rewrites dominant ideologies through everyday activity. The authors creatively demonstrate important ways that mainstream discourse and the dynamics of the neoliberal project articulate with mothers’ lives and identities in their kitchens and at their dinner tables.”—JANET PAGE-REEVE, Research Assistant Professor, University of New Mexico
Mothering in Marginalized Contexts: Narratives of Women Who Mother In and Through Domestic Violence
by Caroline McDonald-Harker

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This book provides a rare and in-depth examination of the narratives, experiences, and lived realities of abused mothers—a group of women who, despite being the victims, are often criticized, vilified, and stigmatized for failing to meet dominant ideologies of what a “good mother” is/should be, because they have lived and mothered in domestic abuse relationships.

“This study is innovative and of great value in presenting complex, nuanced, agentic and diverse subjectivities of mothers who have experienced domestic abuse. This book should be read by academics as well as activists, by anyone who seeks to understand the lived realities and subjectivities of mothers who live in, or have survived abuse. Finally, the book will be a valuable resource for mothers who have themselves suffered abuse, affording a venue for them to see themselves represented as subjects, not merely statistical samples or passive objects.”—REBECCA BROMWICH, Department of Law and Legal Studies, Carleton University, Ottawa

Missing the Mark:
Women and the Millennium Goals in Africa and Oceania
edited by Naomi M. McPherson

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In the year 2000, United Nations world leaders set out eight targets, the UN Millennium Development Goals, for achieving improved standards of living at the micro level in poorer nations around the globe, by the year 2015. The papers in this collection present fine-detailed ethnographic studies of cultures in Africa and Oceania, with a focus primarily on MDG 3, targeted to “promote gender equality and empower women” and MDG 5, targeted to “improve maternal health” to ascertain whether or not these goals have made or missed their mark.

“This is a unique book that brings together fine-grained ethnographic research on women’s health in various global contexts, and does so in the particular development context of the Millennium Development Goals. The topic is significant, particularly as we have come to the end of the timeframe of the MDGs and there is work being done to shape where the development and maternal health fields go from here. Having a socio-cultural perspective is imperative at this point.”—SUSAN R. HEMER, University of Adelaide
In December of 2012 in Delhi, India a woman was gang raped, tortured, and inflicted with such bodily violence that she died as a result of the injuries. The case caused massive public protests in Delhi and throughout the Indian subcontinent. One year after this case, The Supreme Court of India made the contentious decision to uphold Section 377 of the Indian Penal Code, which criminalizes sexual activities deemed to be “unnatural,” namely same sex desire and queer people. Both these cases received worldwide media attention and lead to public demonstrations and debates regarding sexual politics throughout Asia and globally. Drawing on interviews done in the Indian subcontinent, this book suggests that while colonial violence haunts postcolonial sexualities, anti-colonial resistance also remains, echoing in the streets like the chorus of an old song.

“Atluri provides a stunning contrapuntal analysis of gender and sexuality at the crossroads of feminist, queer, transnational, and postcolonial studies.”—AMAR WAHAB, Coordinator, Sexuality Studies Program, School of Gender, Sexuality and Women’s Studies, York University, Canada
Screening Motherhood in Contemporary World Cinema

edited by Asma Sayed

FILM STUDIES / WOMEN’S AND GENDER STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

Using a variety of critical and theoretical approaches, the contributing scholars to this collection analyze culturally specific and globally held attitudes about mothers and mothering, as represented in world cinema. Examining films from a range of countries including Afghanistan, India, Iran, Eastern Europe, Canada, and the United States, the various chapters contextualize the socio-cultural realities of motherhood as they are represented on screen, and explore the maternal figure as she has been glamorized and celebrated, while simultaneously subjected to public scrutiny.

“This book brings welcome critical scrutiny to a range of films and concerns not widely circulated and, in so doing, opens a conversation calling for responses and examples from other quarters. A valuable addition for all concerned with film, gender and women’s studies.” —GAIL VANSTONE, author of D is for Daring: A Feminist Cultural History of Canada’s National Film Board’s Studio D

What’s Cooking, Mom?
Narratives about Food and Family

ed. by Tanya M. Cassidy and Florence Pasche Guignard

MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / WOMEN’S AND GENDER STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

What’s Cooking, Mom? offers original and inventive narratives, including auto-ethnographic discussions of representations, discourses and practices about and by mothers regarding food and families. These narratives discuss the multiple strategies through which mothers manage feeding themselves and others, and how these are shaped by international and regional food politics, by global and local food cultures and by their own ethical values and preference, as well as by those of the ones they feed.

“Drawn from life, the stories collected in What’s Cooking introduce students and general readers to just how complex, troubling and rewarding, mothers’ responsibilities for feeding their families can be. This is very rich fare!” —DONNA R. GABACCIA, Professor, Department of Historical and Cultural Studies, University of Toronto
The Mother-Blame Game
ed. by Vanessa Reimer and Sarah Sahagian

MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / WOMEN’S AND GENDER STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

The Mother-Blame Game is an interdisciplinary and intersectional examination of the phenomenon of mother-blame in the twenty-first century. As the socioeconomic and cultural expectations of what constitutes “good motherhood” grow continually narrow and exclusionary, mothers are demonized and stigmatized—perhaps now more than ever—for all that is perceived to go “wrong” in their children’s lives. This anthology brings together creative and scholarly contributions from feminist academics and activists alike to provide a dynamic study of the many varied ways in which mothers are blamed and shamed for their maternal practice.

“The many provocative essays that Vanessa Reimer and Sarah Sahagian have collected in The Mother-Blame Game take on the shaming of the maternal body — for being too young or too fat or too willing to breastfeed — as well as the cultural blaming of mothers, related to childrearing methods, protectiveness of children, choices around work, and so many more issues. This volume offers an entry point into many important conversations that are waiting to be had.”—RACHEL EPP BULLER, author of Reconciling Art and Mothering
Essential Breakthroughs
Conversations about Men, Mothers, and Mothering
ed. by Fiona Joy Green and Gary Lee Pelletier

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The authors creatively blend the philosophical and the personal to collectively argue that while gender is essential to our social and theoretical definitions of care, it is dangerously co-opted into naturalized discourses, which limit particular identities and negate certain forms of care. The perspectives curated in Essential Breakthroughs illuminate how care, as a respected and productive cultural ethic, is neither inherent nor instinctual for any human, but is learned and fostered.

“Including compelling narratives from expectant fathers and male nannies to lesbian mothers and transmen making different reproductive decisions, [this book] provides a rich starting place from which to think about the limitations of normative discourses around mothering. This is a vital collection for those wishing to engage a conversation about men and mothering that is simultaneously queer and feminist, that abandons gender essentialism while retaining a maternal lens as an essential tool of critical analysis.” —SHELLEY PARK, Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of Central Florida, author of Mothering Queerly, Queering Motherhood

Looking for Ashley
Re-reading What the Smith Case Reveals about the Governance of Girls, Mothers and Families in Canada
by Rebecca Jaremko Bromwich

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“Looking for Ashley is a richly textured and theoretically grounded analysis of what the author terms the social, juridical and biological deaths of Ashley Smith while in custody in Canada in 2007. In this compelling and challenging read, Rebecca Jaremko Bromwich conscientiously takes the reader through multiple interpretations of diverse data-including diaries, news reports and official documents—to illustrate the competing social constructions of Ashley that facilitated both her death and the official and public understandings of her death. The result is a book that encourages all of us to reconsider the power and use of such constructions in our efforts to seek or to analyze justice.”

—MICHELLE HUGHES MILLER, Department of Women’s and Gender Studies, University of South Florida
Black Motherhood(s)
Contexts, Countours and Considerations
ed. by Karen T. Craddock

MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / WOMEN’S AND GENDER STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

With an aim to extend traditional treatments of Black motherhood that are often centered on a subordinated and struggling perspective, these essays address some of the hegemonic reality while also exploring nuance in experiences, less explored areas of subjugation, as well as pathways of resistance and resilience in spite of it. Largely focusing within domains such as narrative, identity, spirituality and sexuality, the book deftly explores black motherhood by incorporating varied arenas for discussion including: literary analysis, expressive arts, historical fiction, the African Diaspora, reproductive health, religion and social ecology.

“The insight provided by this volume centers on how the authors are able to illustrate the ways in which black women in the U.S., Europe, and Africa meet challenges across time, across situations, in intimate familiar relationships, and in public and in private spaces. That these chapters cross so many different contexts is extremely important at a time in which black women themselves are increasingly dispersed throughout the world.” —JANE VICTORIA WARD, author of The Skin We’re In

Natal Signs
Cultural Meanings of Pregnancy, Birth and Parenting
ed. by Nadya Burton

MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / WOMEN’S AND GENDER STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

The chapters in this collection pose questions, unsettle assumptions, and generate broad imaginative spaces for thinking about representation of pregnancy, birth, and parenting. They demonstrate the ways in which practices of consuming and using representations carry within them the productive forces of creation. Bringing together an eclectic and vibrant range of perspectives, this collection offers readers the possibility to rethink and reimagine the diverse meanings and practices of representations of these significant life events. Natal Signs gathers an exciting set of critically engaged voices to reflect on some of life’s most meaningful moments in ways that affirm natality as the renewed promise of possibility.

“Through vivid, intimate prose and visceral imagery, Natal Signs takes standard ideas about birth and shifts them completely. This groundbreaking book is required reading for anyone interested in an expanded understanding of the multiplicity and sensuality of pregnancy, birth and parenting.”
—MAY FRIEDMAN, Associate Professor, Social Work, Ryerson University
Reading/Speaking/Writing the Mother Text
Essays on Caribbean Women’s Writing
ed. by Cristina Herrera and Paula Sanmartín

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While this collection presents a similar comparative and diasporic approach to other book-length studies on Caribbean women’s writing, it also includes a wider geographical, linguistic, ethnic and generic diversity, while exposing the myriad ways in which Caribbean women authors shape and construct their texts to theorize motherhood, mothering, maternity, and mother-daughter relationships.

“Insightful and thoughtful, this collection not only addresses major concerns in feminist maternal scholarship by affording a critical textual discussion of different themes and literary genres but also enriches our understanding of diversity in the Caribbean context by adding more discussions in light of a wider spectrum of languages, cultures and racial differences.”—YILIN YU, author of Mother, She Wrote

Mothers, Mothering and Sex Work
ed. by Rebecca Bromwich and Monique Marie DeJong

MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / WOMEN’S AND GENDER STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

Mothers, Mothering and Sex Work brings together unique and controversial viewpoints defying conventional wisdom to provide fresh insights into sex workers and their rights. Beginning with the political, legal and social context of sexuality and gender in Canada, the book’s focus widens to explore issues affecting sex workers worldwide.

“Taking a transdisciplinary approach, the creative-critical anthology engages with the resistance, resilience, joy and humour that sex-working mothers demonstrate in the face of stigma, oppression and sex work-phobic maternal discourses.”

—UMMNI KHAN, Associate Professor, Carleton University

Mothers Under Fire
Mothering in Conflict Areas
ed. by Tatjana Takševa and Arlene Sgoutas

MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / WOMEN’S AND GENDER STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

The essays in the collection raise awareness of the needs of women and children in areas affected by military and/or political violence worldwide, and provides a basis for developing multiple policy frameworks aimed at improving existing systems of support in local contexts.

“A new and refreshing look at the various ways the maternal can and does serve as a resource for peacebuilding. The range of articles is broad and nuanced, offering an important imaginative resource for practitioners as well as scholars.”—SUSAN ST VILLE, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame
“This Is What a Feminist Slut Looks Like”
Perspectives on the SlutWalk Movement
ed. by Alyssa Teekah, Erika Jane Scholz, May Friedman and A. O’Reilly

WOMEN’S STUDIES / SOCIOLOGY / SOCIAL MOVEMENTS / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

The chapters in this collection take up Slutwalk through a feminist lens (broadly defined) considering Slutwalk as a successful social movement, a site of tremendous controversy, and an ongoing discussion among and between waves of feminists across the life cycle and across the globe. Contributors unpack the discursive performance of Slutwalk and explore the experiences of people who attended various and diverse Slutwalks marches/protests in North America and Asia.

“This manuscript is a nuanced analysis of the SlutWalk movement, providing neither singular endorsement nor simplified critique. Overall, the manuscript is a brilliant and effective analysis of an extremely pivotal and influential movement.”
—MELINDA VANDENBELD GILES, editor, Mothering in the Age of Neoliberalism

Anansesem
Telling Stories and Storytelling African Maternal Pedagogies
by Adwoa Ntozake Onuora

MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / CULTURAL STUDIES / MEMOIR / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

Anansesem: Telling Stories and Storytelling African Maternal Pedagogies seeks to celebrate the African mother’s everyday experiences and honour her embodied and cultural knowledges as important sites of meaning making and discovery for the African child.

“Anansesem is unequivocal about the essentiality of using cultural forms in the making of a person. She is right—our children’s ‘thrive barometer’ is elevated by strategies that build ‘cultural, social and identity consciousness’: their ‘African Selfhood’; their ‘Being.’”
—JOAN GRANT CUMMINGS, parent, Black feminist activist

Criminalized Mothers, Criminalizing Mothering
ed. by Joanne Minaker and Bryan Hogeveen

February 2015 / 978-1-926452-01-2 / $34.95 pb / 6 x 9 / 422 pp.
MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / CRIMINOLOGY / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

Criminalized Mothers, Criminalizing Mothering broadens the scope of criminalization in order to more fully understand criminalizing as a complex and nuanced process, intimately connected to forces of social exclusion and marginalization. Power relations and systemic issues—poverty, street entrenchment, colonialization, and patriarchy—figure prominently in the analyses.

“Minaker and Hogeveen enlarge and complicate our understanding of ‘criminal mothers,’ i.e., both mothers who are incarcerated and those who are viewed criminally, and make a valuable and timely contribution both to our understanding of criminal mothers specifically and contemporary motherhood generally.”
—LYNN O’BRIEN HALLSTEIN, Associate Professor, Boston University
Performing Motherhood
Artistic, Activist and Everyday Enactments
ed. by Amber E. Kinser, Kryn Freehling-Burton and Terri Hawkes

MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / PERFORMANCE STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

Highlighting mothers’ lived experiences, this collection examines mothers’ creativity and agency as they perform in everyday life: in mothering, in activism, and in the arts.

“A remarkable collection of studies about mothering that combines scholarly theory, personal and professional passion, and hope for change through creating new choices. The voices of the writers reveal not only their diverse personalities and experiences of what constitutes family but also the range of challenges they face and their creative interactions with the role of mother, especially new mother. A must read for academic mothers and daughters.” —ALICE H. DEAKINS, editor of Mothers and Daughters: Complicated Connections Across Cultures

Intensive Mothering
The Cultural Contradictions of Modern Motherhood
ed. by Linda Rose Ennis

December 2014 / 978-1-927335-90-1 / $34.95 pb / 6 x 9 / 344 pp.
MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / SOCIOLOGY / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

To celebrate the twentieth anniversary of Sharon Hays’ landmark book, The Cultural Contradictions of Motherhood, this collection will revisits Hays’ concept of “intensive mothering” as a continuing, yet controversial representation of modern motherhood.

“This volume adds nuance to the field of motherhood studies by accounting for how consumerism and capitalism have complicated expectations and identities of motherhood and mothering in the last two decades.”

—JENNIFER L. BORDA, Associate Professor of Communication, The University of New Hampshire

Patricia Hill Collins
Reconceiving Motherhood
ed. by Kaila Adia Story

November 2014 / 978-1-927335-43-7 / $34.95 pb / 6 x 9 / 196 pp.
MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / SOCIOLOGY / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

This anthology explores the impact/influence and/or importance of Patricia Hill Collins on motherhood research, adding to the existing literature on Motherhood and the conceptions of Family.

“The contributors to this volume bring sustained scholarly attention to the multiple ways in which Patricia Hill Collins unmask oppressive ideologies of motherhood and reveals the creative and revolutionary practices of Black mothering.”

—HEATHER HEWETT, Associate Professor of English and Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, SUNY New Paltz
Mothers of the Nations
Indigenous Mothering as Global Resistance, Reclaiming and Recovery
ed. by Dawn Memee Lavell Harvard and Kim Anderson

MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / INDIGENOUS STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

“The stories that Drs. Anderson and Lavell-Harvard weave together from around the world are poignant, inspiring, perhaps most importantly, timely. This book is extremely diverse and will speak to readers on many levels. I highly recommend it not only for students but for anyone who is interested in understanding what decolonization looks like for Indigenous women, our families and communities.”
—CARRIE BOURASSA, Professor, Department of Indigenous Education, Health and Social Work, First Nations University of Canada

Not Exactly as Planned
A Memoir of Adoption, Secrets and Abiding Love
by Linda Rosenbaum

October 2014 / 978-1-927335-91-8 / $19.95 pb / 5.5 x 8.25 / 254 pp.
MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / ENGLISH LITERATURE / SOCIOLOGY / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

Not Exactly As Planned is a captivating, deeply moving account of adoption and the unexpected challenges of raising a child with fetal alcohol syndrome. Linda Rosenbaum’s life takes a major turn when her son, adopted at birth, is diagnosed with irreversible brain damage.

“Not Exactly As Planned is a powerful story filled with a wisdom and humility that can teach us all something about family, life and love. Despite the difficulties raising her adopted son with FASD, Rosenbaum’s book is filled with a zestful happiness that will touch everyone who reads it. I couldn’t put it down.”
—BONNIE BUXTON, co-founder of FASworld and author of Damaged Angel

Counting on Marilyn Waring
New Advances in Feminist Economics, 2nd ed.
ed. by Margunn Bjørnhold and Ailsa McKay

September 2014 / 978-1-926452-02-9 / $34.95 pb / 6 x 9 / 279 pp.
ECONOMICS / FEMINIST STUDIES / MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

This second edition, which includes an epilogue by Marilyn Waring, maps new advances in theories and practices in feminist economics and the valuation of women, care and nature since Marilyn Waring’s 1988 groundbreaking critique of the system of national accounts, If Women Counted.

“Wide spectrum of issues are elaborated with a rich set of cases. This book offers insights for new public policy design focusing on well-being for everyone.”
—GÜLAY GÜNLÜK ŞENSEN, Professor, Istanbul University
The Music of Leaving
poems by Tricia McCallum

September 2014 / 978-1-927335-93-2 / $14.95 pb / 5.5 x 8.25 / 100 pp.
MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / ENGLISH LITERATURE / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

There is a music of leaving, as surely as there is that of arriving. And it is this distinct soulful music that we often hear, however faintly, in the background of our lives. McCallum’s poems are about elephants being traipsed through the Queens Midtown Tunnel, an unstable child’s slide, and roaming island dogs. About a visit to a family home before it is sold, a late night conversation in a plane above an ocean, and shrewd Irish falcons.

“With humility and ‘incongruous grace,’ McCallum masters the art of seeing—and reminds us as readers to look closely at what is lost or forgotten. A fugue of fleeting faces and moments, The Music of Leaving deserves—indeed, demands—to be savoured.” —JENA STRONG, author of Don’t Miss This

Mothering in East Asian Communities: Politics and Practices
edited by Patti Duncan and Gina Wong

September 2014 / 978-1-927335-24-6 / $34.95 pb / 6 x 9 / 302 pp.
MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / CULTURAL STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

“In Mothering in East Asian Communities, Duncan and Wong seamlessly rupture a homogenous identity category—that of the “tiger mom.” The editors invoke the works of diverse contributors who critically challenge essentialized identity categories and racialized and sexualized experiences of women of color within the institution of motherhood and practices of mothering. Here, the edited volume grapples with globalization, transnationalism, and capitalism with an East Asian ethno-racial-cultural context. Duncan and Wong offer a personal and political analysis of motherhood that is socially and culturally constructed, shaped by race, class, culture, sexuality, and other social categories.”

—ROKSANA BADRUDDOJA, Advanced Assistant Professor of Sociology & Coordinator of Women’s and Gender Studies, Manhattan College, New York

Queering Motherhood: Narrative and Theoretical Perspectives
edited by Margaret F. Gibson

August 2014 / 978-1-927335-31-4 / $34.95 pb / 6 x 9 / 269 pp.
MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / SEXUALITY STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

Few words are as steeped in beliefs about gender, sexuality, and social desirability as “motherhood.” Drawing on queer, postcolonial, and feminist theory, historical sources, personal narratives, film studies, and original empirical research, the authors in this book offer queer re-tellings and re-examinations of reproduction, family, politics, and community.

“This is a book that truly does address the queering of motherhood, parenthood and family(hood). Cutting-edge scholarship on lesbian, queer, trans and intersex experiences, as well as critical consideration of queer families and the queering of family studies, make this accessible book vital reading for anyone interested in parenting or family.” —FIONA NELSON, Associate Professor, Sociology & Women’s Studies, University of Calgary
Texas Girl
a memoir by Robin Silbergleid

June 2014 / 978-1-927335-38-3 / $19.95 pb / 5.5 x 8.25 / 232 pp.
MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / LITERATURE / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

At twenty-seven years old, Robin Silbergleid decided to become a single mother. Not as a backup or “Plan B,” but as a first choice. In her memoir Texas Girl, she raises fundamental questions about the nature of family and maternity at the turn of the twenty-first century. A must-read for anyone contemplating single motherhood, this bitingly honest memoir will resonate with anyone concerned with the vital feminist issue of what reproductive choice really means and the obstacles we face in pursuit of it.

“A beautiful portrait of mother love that gives new meaning to the word ‘choice.’”
—SUSAN GUBAR, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of English, Indiana University, and author of Memoir of a Debulked Woman

Mothering and Psychoanalysis
Clinical Sociological and Feminist Perspectives
edited by Petra Bueskens

July 2014 / 978-1-927335-26-0 / $44.95 pb / 6 x 9 / 504 pp.
MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / PSYCHOLOGY / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

“The collection of 23 essays provides an exciting snapshot of contemporary theorising on the maternal within psychoanalytic and social theory. The introduction serves as an excellent overview of this interdisciplinary field and its importance both to motherhood studies and broader feminist thinking. This book is a triumph!”
—JULIE KELSO, Department of Philosophy and Literature, Bond University

“A vibrant collection of critical, interdisciplinary perspectives on psychoanalysis, feminism, motherhood and sociology. The book represents some of the best of the new scholarship in maternal studies.”
—JULIE STEPHENS, College of Arts, Victoria University, Australia

Stay-at-Home Mothers
Dialogues and Debates
edited by Elizabeth Reid Boyd and Gayle Letherby

MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / CULTURAL STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

This book is the first international edited collection exploring debates and issues surrounding mothers returning to or staying at home from a variety of countries and perspectives.

“The conundrum of maternity in the present globalizing post-industrial neo-liberal world offers difficult dilemmas and often contradictory flows of emotion, ethics, and economics which impact us all. This volume goes some way to begin seriously addressing these quandaries, appealing to a range of subject positions and maternities.”
—ALISON BARTLET, Discipline Chair, Gender Studies, University of Western Australia

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**Telling Truths: Storying Motherhood**

Edited by Sheena Wilson and Diana Davidson

May 2014 / 978-1-927335-42-0 / $34.95 pb / 6 x 9 / 326 pp.

Women’s and Gender Studies / Motherhood Studies / Available as e-book

* Telling Truths: Storying Motherhood is a collection of creative non-fiction essays. Through story, contributing authors explore how expectations collide with the complex realities we face as we mother. They illustrate how mothering is inextricably linked to the positions we occupy within our specific socio-cultural contexts; how our versions of mothering are transformed in relationship to the children we raise, long for, and mourn. This anthology is an important contribution to ongoing dialogues that resist traditional expectations around motherhood.

“This is a book that tells some uncomfortable and some beautiful truths about what it means to mother in the twenty-first century.”

—Susan Boychuck, Women’s Words, University of Alberta

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**Mothers, Mothering and Motherhood Across Cultural Differences**

A Reader

Edited by Andrea O’Reilly

May 2014 / 978-1-927335-37-6 / $44.95 pb / 6 x 9 / 513 pp.

Motherhood Studies / Feminist Studies / Cultural Studies / Available as e-book

* Mothers, Mothering and Motherhood Across Cultural Differences, the first-ever Reader on the subject matter, examines the meaning and practice of mothering/motherhood from a multitude of maternal perspectives. The Reader includes 22 chapters on the following maternal identities: Aboriginal, Adoptive, At-Home, Birth, Black, Disabled, East-Asian, Feminist, Immigrant/Refugee, Latina/Mexicana, Poor/Low Income, Migrant, Non-Residential, Older, Queer, Rural, Single, South-Asian, Step-mothers, Working, Young Mothers, and Mothers of Adult Children. Each chapter provides background and context, examines the challenges and possibilities of mothering/motherhood for each group of mothers and considers directions for future research.

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**Birth of the Uncool**

Poems by Madeline Walker

April 2014 / 978-1-927335-37-6 / $14.95 pb / 5.5 x 8.25 / 110 pp.

Motherhood Studies / Feminist Studies / English Literature / Available as e-book

* Birth of the Cool, a compilation album by jazz great Miles Davis, was released in 1957. That album defined “cool jazz”: elegant, distant, hip, and stylish. Davis and his eight co-musicians made it all look so easy. From the time she was very young, the author was trying to be as cool as Davis’s jazz: aloof, intellectual, desired, mysterious, alluring, and perfect. This book is an eclectic and uncooly accessible collection of musings on motherhood, childhood, recovery, faith, and love.

“Walker raises the ordinary above the everyday and integrates the vernacular and high literature. With a deep understanding of language and mythology, Walker’s first collection of poetry, birth of the uncool, slides in and out of opposites, demonstrating the unity of all things.”

—Arleen Pare, author of Leaving Now
On Huron’s Shore
linked short stories by Marilyn Gear Pilling

April 2014 / 978-1-927335-34-5 / $19.95 pb / 5.5 x 8.25 / 270 pp.
MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / ENGLISH LITERATURE / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

Since 2002, Pilling has produced five books of poetry, and now, with On Huron’s Shore, she has returned to fiction with a collection of linked stories about mothers, daughters, and sisters, set in the landscape of the Huron County of the mid-fifties juxtaposed with the Huron County of today. Gear Pilling takes a humorous and sensual look at the female members of one family as it was then, as it is now.

“Tirelessly energetic prose! I found this very enjoyable to read. My interest was maintained on every page... The prose is built not only on sharply realized scenes but on a multitude of unique and memorable details.”
—JACK HODGINS, winner of the G.G.’s award for fiction

Disabled Mothers
Stories and Scholarship By and About Mothers with Disabilities
edited by Gloria Filax and Dena Taylor

March 2014 / 978-1-927335-29-1 / $34.95 pb / 6 x 9 / 368 pp.
GENDER AND WOMEN’S STUDIES/ DISABILITY STUDIES / MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

This collection of 20 scholarly works and personal accounts from Canada, the U.S., and Australia explores and analyzes issues of parenting by mothers with a variety of physical and mental disabilities. The book also delves into pregnancy, birth, adoption, child custody, discrimination, and disability politics.

“The strength of this collection is the breadth and scope of the coverage on the subject of mothers with disabilities. Alternating between research studies and personal essays, this book provides important information and readability.”
—MARY GRIMLEY MASON, Professor of English Emerita Resident Scholar, Brandeis University’s Women’s Studies Research

Mothering in the Age of Neoliberalism
edited by Melinda Vandenbeld Giles

March 2014 / 978-1-927335-28-4 / $34.95 pb / 6 x 9 / 394 pp.
GENDER AND WOMEN’S STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

The authors of this edited collection explore the meanings and reveal the detrimental effects of neoliberalism from the perspective of mothers. Whether the discussion is about mothers from India using maternalist narratives to fight environmental degradation, or mothers in rural Canada struggling to find affordable, quality child care within a de-industrializing, flexible labour market, it is crucial that the positionality of mothers be centralized within the global neoliberal narrative.

“This book does an admirable job in responding to the challenges of living and mothering in a neoliberal era. The topic is unambiguously significant and timely. We need this book.”
—MAY FRIEDMAN, School of Social Work, Ryerson University
Borrowed Body
a novel by Valerie Mason-John

November 2013 / 978-1-927335-36-9 / $19.95 pb / 5.5 x 8.25 / 200 pp.
ENGLISH LITERATURE / FEMINIST STUDIES / MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

“Borrowed Body is a coming-of-age narrative in which author, Valerie Mason-John introduces us to Pauline, a brilliant and sensitive Black girl, suffering figuratively and literally from mother loss. In order to survive, Pauline must use all her wit, fortitude, and intelligence to envision and create a world where to be Black and female was to be someone of worth, beauty, and significance…. A memorable and poignant story.” —AFUA COOPER, author of The Hanging of Angelique

“What Mason-John is an ingenious story teller who allows us into the surprising, raw, gritty, and ruptured world of a young black girl who must come to terms with skin colour/race/self in her unnatural world.”
—LILLIAN ALLEN, founder of Dub Poety in Canada

What We Hold in Our Hands
short stories by Kim Aubrey

November 2013 / 978-1-927335-33-8 / $19.95 pb / 5.5 x 8.25 / 153 pp.
ENGLISH LITERATURE / FEMINIST STUDIES / MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

The ten stories in this debut collection are about the difficult choices inherent in caring for children, siblings, and partners, and the limits and limitlessness of love.

“Kim Aubrey writes deftly orchestrated stories of domestic surfaces disturbed by memories, dreams, and unspoken impulses. The mood is anxious. Aubrey’s narrators are sharply observant and observed yet often haunted by unexpressed desires. A brave first collection.”
—DOUGLAS GLOVER, author of Savage Love, 16 Categories of Desire, and Elle, winner of the Governor General’s Award for Fiction

Milk Fever
a novel by Lissa M. Cowan

November 2013 / 978-1-927335-39-5 / $19.95 pb / 5.5 x 8.25 / 262 pp.
ENGLISH LITERATURE / FEMINIST STUDIES / MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

In 1789, Armande, a wet nurse who is known for the mystical qualities of her breast milk, goes missing from her mountain village. Céleste, a cunning servant girl who Armande once saved from shame and starvation, sets out to find her. ast, Céleste fights to save her from those plotting to steal the wisdom of her milk. Milk Fever is a rich and inspired tale set on the eve of the French Revolution — a delicious peek into this age’s history. The story explores the fight for women’s rights and the rise in clandestine literature laying bare sexuality, the nature of love and the magic of books to transform lives.

“Milk Fever is a sensuous and subversive novel, set at a time when printed books were beginning to change the world. Lissa M. Cowan draws together motherhood, breastfeeding and learning, and sets them centre stage in a story about the struggle for freedom, justice and reason: abstractions which here come to full, fleshy life.”
—KATHY PAGE, author of The Find
Fresh Hell: Motherhood in Pieces
by Carellin Brooks

November 2013 / 978-1-927335-32-1 / $14.95 pb / 5.5 x 8.25 / 87 pp.
MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / FEMINIST STUDIES / LITERATURE / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

This literary think piece seesaws from disaster to delight, horror to grim resignation, much like motherhood itself. Fifty-two spare meditations, one for each week of baby’s first year, cover subjects from baby poop to more baby poop, breastfeeding and its relation to same, broken nights and endless days, and all the other low points of having a baby.

“Brooks pushes past the boundaries of what mothers are allowed to say and lays bare her darkest anxieties and doubts about mothering.”
—FRANCES GREENSLADE, author of By the Secret Ladder: A Mothers Initiation

Chasing Rainbows: Exploring Gender Fluid Parenting Practices
edited by Fiona Joy Green and May Friedman

LGBTQ STUDIES / GENDER STUDIES / MOTHERHOOD STUDIES / AVAILABLE AS E-BOOK

This book attempts to cast a lens on the messy and convoluted ways that feminist parents approach parenting their children in gender aware and gender fluid ways.

“Chasing Rainbows dares to ask how we as parents can guide our children—and ourselves—not only beyond the confines of the gender binary, but beyond the notion of gender itself.... I can’t wait to see how parenting practices, gender ‘norms,’ and in fact, all of society, may change as a result of its publication.”
—RACHEL PEPPER, author of Transitions of the Heart

Have Milk, Will Travel: Adventures in Breastfeeding
edited by Rachel Epp Buller

August 2013 / 978-1-927335-21-5 / $19.95 pb / 5.5 x 8.25 / 160 pp.
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