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Anthropology/Archaeology

Nigerian Gods / Keme Otobe
Lagos: Malthouse Press Limited, 2022
294p.
Includes Index; Bibliography
9789785961171
\$ 45.00 / PB
434gm.

Nigerian Gods is an enlightening and sobering review of the impact of the introduction of the three main Abrahamic religions on Nigeria's traditional religions, culture and way of life, viewed through the prism of its eleven largest and two of the smallest ethnic groups. Keme Otobe, gives here a factual and acute description and presentation of the main characteristics of the major ethnic groups in Nigeria - historical background and socio-political structures, demography, traditional religions, differing impacts of Judaism, Christianity, Islam, and major occupations and modes of existence - which should serve to propel all to a fuller assessment of the complexities of the directions which a Post-Covid-19 World is tending rapidly, ethnically and racially exploited differences jumping to the fore to question erstwhile dominant political ideologies and political arrangements based on them.

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Art

Ndidi Dike: Discomfort Zone / Ndidi Dike (Eds) Nadine Siegert & Katharina Fink
Lagos: Iwalewabooks, 2022
264p.
Includes Select Bibliography
9783947902071
\$ 200.00 / HB
1580gm.

This monographic book gives an extensive overview of the artistic work of Ndidi Dike – one of Nigeria's most dedicated and focused artists. Her works spans several decades and includes a variety of artistic methods: from her early paintings and wood sculptures and the engagement with the Nsukka school aesthetics to her recent large-scale installations. What brings these works together is her precise observation of society's condition within complex contexts of inequality and political inadequacies. Ndidi Dike is concerned with the material manifestations of these global challenges and gives them a shape – leading into zones of discomfort and reminding us of our

complicities. This book is the first-ever art monograph on a Nigerian woman professional artist living in Lagos and working on many continents.

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Peju Layiwola's INDIGO REIMAGINED: Rethinking Adire in Yoruba Fashion and Textile Modernity / (Ed) Patrick Oloko

Lagos: Institute of African and Diaspora Studies, University of Lagos, 2021

224p.

Includes Index

9789789908554

\$ 90.00 / PB

352gm.

Peju Layiwola's Indigo Reimagined: Rethinking Adire in Yoruba Fashion and Textile Modernity brings together the authoritative views of art historians, literary critics and other informed observers who encountered the exhibition entitled Indigo Reimagined held in 2019 at two venues in Lagos, Nigeria. Peju Layiwola, a Professor of Art History at the University of Lagos, curated the exhibition, which has been made to come alive in the essays and brightly coloured photographs offered. Many witnessed the physical event in the gallery enclosures of the University of Lagos on the mainland and Alara on the Island, while others experienced its afterlife in the virtual space or media platforms. The authors of these essays have described their perceptions of that phenomenal event in ways that a normal exhibition catalogue cannot fully represent. They have therefore stepped outside the framework of gallery and media spaces to give readers and researchers a clearer picture of what they could have seen. The result is a volume that indexes the social history of a dire and communicates the awe of each contributor as they observe culture and creativity unfold and intersect in the fabric. The essays also draw attention to the ways that the literal and the figurative intertwine in the fabric to delineate its importance in Yoruba culture and its historical association with apparelling humanity.

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Joseph Edgar's Anonymous Nipples – The Naked Truth: A Bedside Compendium / Joseph Edgar (Foreword) Regina Askia

Nigeria: Joseph Edgar (Self-Published), 2023

160p.

\$ 100.00 / PB

658gm.

Anonymous Nipples, a Coffee Table Book authored by renowned producer and author, Joseph Edgar is a provocative and exclusive book about women for men. The 142-page book comes with some of the most provocative pictures and strong writings from seasoned icons like Alibaba and Regina Askia. Speaking on the book, Edgar stated: "The Book was born out of the need to throw up these issues as regards our sexuality so that we can openly discuss them in a bid to strengthen relationships. The book in many convincing ways would streamline communications between sexes and couples in a bid to strengthen bonds." This bedside collection of views and perception would address the communication gap between couples as the book aims at bringing out things people shy away from discussing in the open and adding to why he featured some creative minds in the book he discloses that, "This was in a bid to get other perspectives so that we don't just narrow opinions to that of the author only." With the release set for February, the buzz has started with many people curious and anticipating the economy of content to be read, absolved and digested from the book.

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Biography/Memoirs

Wole Soyinka of Power and Freedom: Essays 1 / Wole Soyinka

Ibadan: Bookcraft, 2022

xvi, 584p.

Includes Index

9789785900774

\$ 125.00 / PB

896gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847148>

Wole Soyinka of Power and Freedom: Essays 2 / Wole Soyinka

Ibadan: Bookcraft, 2022

xvi, 420p.

Includes Index

9789785932515

\$ 100.00 / PB

656gm.

A two-volume collection of essays on topics as diverse as the advancement of technology and its impact on the human existence; the religious insurgency in Africa; the menace of Boko Haram; the censorship policy of France.

...an appropriate bookend to a career of over five intellectually engaging decades.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847149>

Powered by Poverty – Autobiography: A Story of Adversity, Ambition, Diligence and Triumph / Lawson A. Omokhodion

Lagos: SME Media Limited, 2022

xxviii, 404p.

Includes Index

9789708637; 9789789708635

\$ 100.00 / PB

706gm.

Powered by Poverty is a useful guide and *aide-memoire* to those involved in poverty alleviation policies, procedures and processes. It is useful to sociologists in understanding why people are poor in emerging nations. The book, containing recommendations on how to escape the poverty cycle, will be a significant boost in personal and family development. Finally, it is recommended that the text be used in secondary schools and international agencies in drawing poverty alleviation strategies and programmes.

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The Music of My Father – Chief Rodrick Okafor Okonkwo: An Insight into the Philosophies of a Traditionalist for Daily Living / Michael Azukaego Okonkwo

Lagos: Princeton & Associates Publishing Co. Ltd., 2019

x, 182p.

9789785740592

\$ 40.00 / HB

360gm.

The Music of My Father is a biography of my father, strewn with his valuable philosophies; wisdom nuggets to help navigated the rough waters of life!

An advocate of neighbourly love, fairness and compassion, my father often times reminded us, his children that we should not appropriate valuables for our use only, but share these, and savour the benefits of sharing, hence the compulsion to make public the philosophies, through writing his biography.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847151>

From Prison to Photography: My Journey from 4 American Prisons to the Photography Industry /
'Seun Akisanmi & Uzezi Adesite
Nigeria: Elopublishing Enterprise, 2022
242p.
9789785881301
\$ 100.00 / HB
462gm.

Seun Akisanmi's life took a drastic turn, from a promising entrepreneur in America to serving time in not one, but four prisons. But instead of letting his circumstances define him, he used his time behind bars to discover his true passion - photography. In this gripping and inspiring memoir, Seun shares his incredible journey of how he turned his life around, picking up a camera and capturing the beauty around him. With a relentless pursuit of his newfound passion, Seun takes us on a rollercoaster ride of his adventures in the Nigerian photography industry, and the challenges he faced in establishing his own successful photography business.

Through it all, Seun's unwavering determination and resilience shines through, serving as a powerful reminder that no matter how bleak life may seem, with a positive mindset and hard work, we can overcome any obstacle and achieve our dreams.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847152>

Reel Life – My Years Managing Public Service Television: The Memoirs of Vincent Maduka, FNSE, FAEng, OFR / Vincent Maduka
Lagos: SQS Publishing Limited, 2022
x, 422p.
Includes Index
9789787920176
\$ 120.00 / HB
704gm.

Reel Life is a masterpiece on Nigeria's broadcasting history, bold and transparent public leadership, governance and finance of a public organisation. It is about deploying television content as a tool for forging national unity and as a catalyst for national mass mobilisation and social change. This memoir captures the chequered and rollercoaster evolution of ownership of broadcasting organisations from a mix of public private partnership to full government ownership and now distinct government and private ownership. It is replete with instances of the conflict between board oversight in public organisations and interference in management issues. The narrative shows that one can continue to be a public servant without being in public office. The evolution or development of any country requires an understanding of history in order to appreciate what is feasible in the creation of an informed vision for the future that can inspire evolution to greatness. As aptly captured in Leadership: Six Studies in World Strategy; The Axes of Leadership, "Leaders think and act at the intersection of two axes: the first, between the past and the future: the second, between the abiding values and aspirations of those they lead. Their first challenge is analysis, which begins with a realistic assessment of their society based on its history, mores, and capacities. Then they must balance what they know, which is necessarily drawn from the past, with what they intuit about the future, which is inherently conjectural and uncertain." Reel Life chronicles the history of public broadcasting service in Africa. There is hardly anyone better to do

so than Engineer Vincent Maduka the first Director General of the Nigerian Television Authority. It is a must read for all followers and students of mass communication, history, politics and leadership in Nigeria.

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Giants of Africa / Mustapha Ibrahim (The Ajebo Hustler)

Nigeria: Mustapha Ibrahim (Self-Published), 2021

284p.

9789787905104

\$ 40.00 / HB

456gm.

Ibrahim Mustapha's Giants of Africa is one of Africa's foremost guides to building long lasting business ventures. Kicking off from the heartbeat of the Sahara, North Africa, he uncovers the humble beginnings of famous business giants, who against all odds, defied mediocrity and timidity, to etch upon the sands of time, enviable and empowering milestones in business and entrepreneurship, which have become the guidepost of contemporary and budding entrepreneurs. From North Africa, he combed through West Africa, explored Central Africa, mined the remarkable minds of East Africa, and wintered in the monumental wealth of South Africa, the home of Africa's billionaires. Giants of Africa proves the fact that there is a finite justice that pervades the human ecosystem. Every business giant in this book has their unique story. Some were born into staggering wealth, some were born into abject poverty, some had no formal education at all, and some had the best possible formal education anyone could ask for in this world. Mustapha re-echoes through these empowering stories, the common perception: where there is a will, there is a way. The finite justice in the heart of the universe proves that our success is not in our stars, but in our commitment and the readiness to pay the price as we climb the ladder to our cherished dreams and aspirations. One story per day is a potent dose of inspiration. This book is the best business companion for all entrepreneurs and would-be entrepreneurs. If these great and not so great people could accomplish all they have accomplished, so can you. In the long haul, it is these tireless providers of all kinds of solutions to the multifaceted challenges of Africa, who are indeed, the giants of Africa.

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Promise and Providence: The Autobiography of Gos Ekhaguere / Gos Ekhaguere

Ibadan: Safari Books Ltd, 2022

xliv, 464p.

Includes Index

9789785950823

\$ 60.00 / PB

768gm.

GOS Ekhaguere was born in Benin City, Edo State, Nigeria. As a mathematician and mathematical physicist, he served on the editorial boards of several international academic journals and won many highly competitive and prestigious scholarships, sponsorships and appointments from diverse academic foundations and institutions. He was a Fellow of the globally renowned Alexander von Humboldt-Stiftung. He is also a Fellow of the Nigerian Mathematical Society, a Fellow of the Institute of Operations Research and Management Sciences and a Fellow of the African Academy of Sciences, the apex continental academic body. He is the founder and pioneer President of the International Centre for Mathematical & Computer Sciences. He has held multiple academic and administrative positions nationally and internationally. Of only two scholars from Edo State who have so far won the Nigerian National Order of Merit, Nigeria's highest award for academic and intellectual excellence, he is the State's first laureate in the category of science.

He occupies the lifelong position of an Emeritus Professor of Mathematics at the University of Ibadan. Written with alluring vim and verve, and containing a diversity of beneficial life lessons, *Promise and Providence* is a gentle invitation to the life of a global Nigerian scholar, a quintessential educator and a punctilious administrator.

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A.B.C. Orjiako: *The Olive Tree and the Lexus* / Sr Mary Noeleen Obi, IHM
Ibadan: Safari Books Ltd, 2022
xvi, 218p.
Includes Index
9789785950809
\$ 55.00 / PB
342gm.

The core message of this book is that our happiness is determined not so much by what life brings to each of us as by the attitude we each bring to life. The course of life is influenced not so much by what happens to us, as by the way we look at what happens to our life itself. When a person's own light goes out, it is rekindled by sparks from the fire of others' lives.

The chronicling of the life of Dr. A.B.C. Orjiako, the Olive and the Lexus, is a biographical reflection on that which consists in the truest state of life of greatness. It is an epic, a voyage into the precinct of heroism, fleshed out in a language whose mode of being is purely as pristine as the protagonist it seeks his description. The price is a study in entrepreneurial spirit, creative impacts, positive commitment to the welfare of others and altruistic service to God and humanity, the reading of which is worth the while.

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Nurtured by Grace and Rectitude: Biography of Justice John Afolabi Fabiyi, JSC, CFR / James Bankole Adedoyin & Rufus Bamigbaiye Aiyenigba
Ibadan: Safari Books Ltd, 2022
xviii, 190p.
Includes Index
9789785950847
\$ 50.00 / PB
336gm.

Nurtured by Grace and Rectitude: Biography of Honourable Justice John Afolabi Fabiyi is a fitting odyssey of a remarkable legal colossus from cradle to his retirement from the exalted Bench of the Supreme Court of Nigeria. It seeks to preserve a rich measure of Justice John Afolabi Fabiyi for posterity.

As will be discovered in this book, Honourable Justice John Afolabi Fabiyi emerged from a very humble but noble background, yet embraced all the opportunities that life has thrown at him. He braced himself against all the vicissitudes of life, steadily climbed the ladder, and reached the zenith of the Bench as a Justice of the Supreme Court of Nigeria.

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The Brigadiers Daughter / Solape Aderinola & Abiodun Ademulegun-Agbi (Eds) Olufunlola & Ibiyinka
Nigeria: Capital Centre Nig. Ltd, 2021
68p.
9789789956685
\$ 25.00/ HB
204gm.

The Brigadiers Daughter captures her eye witness account of the January 15th 1966 Coup d'état which took the lives of her parents and made her an orphan at age 6+. A mother and Grandmother Solape is a School Proprietress, an ordained Pastor and an International traveller.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847158>

Driven by Passion: A Memoir / Mulikat Akande-Adeola

Lagos: Prima (Narrative Landscape Press), 2020

x, 130p.

9789785749984

\$ 35.00 / HB

244gm.

Honourable Mulikat Akande-Adeola is a lawyer and politician born on 11 November 1960. She forayed into politics in 1998 on the platform of the People's Democratic Party. In 2007, she was elected to the House of Representatives to represent Ogbomosho North, South and Orire Federal Constituency. She also served as a member of the ECOWAS Parliament from 2007 to 2011. In 2011, she contested for Speaker of the House of Representatives and became the first woman to hold the position of Majority Leader at Federal Legislative level. In 2018, Hon. Akande-Adeola also became the first woman to be nominated for Senate by PDP for the Oyo North Senatorial District. She started her legal career in the banking sector where she rose to Company Secretary/Legal Adviser from 1988 to 1996. She later left to run her private legal firm, M. L. Akande and Company, from 1997 to 2007. She is currently the chair of the board of Pilot Finance Ltd.

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Living for a Higher Purpose: Inspiring Hope Through The Nigerian Public Service / Titilola Vivour-Adeniyi

Lagos: QLife (Quramo Publishing), 2022

xxvi, 246p.

9789785965285

\$ 50.00 / PB

346gm.

Living for a higher purpose is a book on finding your purpose and thriving within Public Service in Nigeria. The book details Mrs. Titilola Vivour-Adeniyi's journey towards ending Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) in Lagos State, the commercial and human capital of Nigeria. The book chronicles how to effect change in the society through the public service, and also how to fight for relevance and recognition by adding value to governmental 's quest in fulfilling her part of the social contract with citizens. It details how to run a citizen's focused government unit, which insights on how to start small but establish a significant positive impact by helping survivors on the journey towards recovery and holding perpetrators of SGBV accountable. It is a story of tenacity, empathy, survival, and renewed hope in Nigeria's public sector.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847160>

Afrobeat! : Fela and the Imagined Continent / Sola Olorunyomi

Ibadan: Noirledge Publishing, 2022

xxxii, 256p.

Includes Index

9789785934229

\$ 50.00 / PB

398gm.

In the seventies, as signs of decay began to show in the capitalist experiment of the newly independent African countries, a “bard of the misrule” emerged on the streets of Lagos. Often shirtless and armed with his trademark saxophone, Fela Anikulapo Kuti tore his way into popular culture with Afrobeat music. Blending ethno-traditional forms with the reigning highlife and jazz rhythms, Afrobeat drew lyrics from the flip side of neo-colonial society and Fela's London and American experience in the sixties.

In the two decades that followed, Fela ruled the nights from Afrika Shrine, his signature night club, and the days from the turntables of the restless city dwellers along the Atlantic coastline. Fela's Afrobeat became a dynamic mode of expression in the social history of post-independent West Africa and generated a counterculture that bonded through music, drugs, resistance politics and ultimately, the nascence of an Afrocentric contemporary global culture.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847161>

A Fragile Boy and An Air Force Officer: An Autobiography / Murtala Osuolale Salami

Lagos: Murtala Osuolale Salami (Self-Published), 2022

xx, 480p.

9789787942789

\$ 90.00 / PB

628gm.

He was sickly as an infant.

Growing up, he was so fragile that his grandmother kept him away from any kind of domestic chore – even the ones performed by the females.

But Murtala Osuolale Salami had a fecund mind which was how his curiosity about letter “Z” - not in his Yoruba language – made Military School, Zaria as the secondary school to attend.

From a boy soldier, he rose, many years later, to a distinguished Air Force officer.

This book captures in felicitous English language in his journey from infancy through his exploits in the military till his forced retirement, to life as a civilian, to his struggles for the development of his beloved home town, Erin-Ile, in Nigeria's Kwara State, neighbourhood association politics and his love and care for his family, immediate and extended.

It is an autobiography with a refreshing difference.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847162>

The Handkerchief: The Story of High Chief Raymond Anthony Aleogho Dokpesi / Okoh Aihe (et al.)

Ibadan: Kraft Books Limited, 2021

xviii, 346p.

Includes Index

9789789187157

\$ 70.00 / PB

602gm.

The Handkerchief... is the story of Nigeria woven around the life of Chief Raymond Aleogho Dokpesi; in terms of its scope beyond the boundaries of ethnicity, religion, economics, politics, society, and tribe.

In this biography; destiny, hard work, friendship, and networking are intricately knit together to provide a tapestry of history, challenges, and successes of a business mogul, broadcaster, culture enthusiast, marine engineer, and politician.

The authorised biography of High Chief Raymond Aleogho Dokpesi is racy, simple, unique, and unputdownable.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847163>

My German Waka / Sam Eden

Lagos: QBooks (Quramo Publishing), 2022

192p.
9789789944514
\$ 30.00 / PB
242gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847164>

A Walk in the Desert: The Diary of a Nigerian Scholar in Morocco and a Call to Building the Nigeria of Our Dream / Taiwo Mise

Kaduna: HopeAlife Publishing International, 2020

184p.
9789789856817
\$ 40.00 / PB
234gm.

My story began somewhere in one of Africa's boisterous cities-Lagos, Nigeria. By growing up in this beautiful city, regarded as the commercial nerve center of Africa, I got exposed to pretty much everything: the good, the bad, the ugly, and a blend of everything. So, just before you read on, let me throw a disclaimer. This book is no way a perfect story of someone living in a glass house with a golden spoon in her mouth. Instead, what you will find here is a tale of growing up in the streets, the whole vicissitudes of experiencing life on the other side of the divide. By now, I am sure you already know what I mean. But if you don't, then let me just cut to the chase and confess that it is a story of tenacity, the pursuit of purpose, possibility, and passion, which later birthed a love for my country and the zeal to rebuild it. A Walk in the Desert is a clarion call to every Nigerian that we can become more, that we can build a country that we will all be proud of. Of course, it won't be easy-it is not supposed to-but with shared commitment and focus, we can turn things around and birth a new story of shared greatness. As I share the story of my life in Morocco with you, the motive is to ignite hope, trigger dedication and provide inspiration that you and I need to become change agents in our respective circles of influence. National development is a collective effort, where every step taken in the right direction, no matter how small, can make a big difference. To make this journey, every hand must be on deck. May this book inspire you as we commit to creating the change we want to see. – Taiwo Mise

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847165>

Yemisi's Diary: An Inspiring Story of a Girl's Challenging Journey to Success / Yemisi Soyinka
Ibadan: Purplebloom Publishers, 2022

64p.
9789787907313
\$ 15.00 / PB
90gm.

Yemis's Diary is a true, heart-rending, but inspiring story of a girl who, despite the challenges she went through after she lost her mum at a tender age, still made it to the peak of her career. This book tells the touching story of Yemisi's harrowing experience in the hands of a stepmom and others, who couldn't love a motherless child. Yemisi's trauma ranged from bullying, a near rape experience and constant emotional, psychological, and physical abuse. Yemisi's Diary will teach and inspire young girls to rise and make up their minds to succeed amid life's challenges.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847166>

Resilient: Born to Survive: A Real-Life Story of Perseverance and Hope / Malaika C. Etuk
USA: Malaika C. Etuk (Self-Published), 2022

124p.
\$ 20.00 / PB
164gm.

If sometimes you feel lonely, abandoned, rejected and feel that maybe there is no way out and things will never change; then this book is for you. If you have been betrayed by friends or family or you are passing through severe physical/emotional challenges and feel like giving up, you can't afford to miss this reading.

Resilient: Born to Survive shares the inspiring real-life testimony of the author who from a young age had to overcome many physical, emotional, spiritual, and health obstacles.

- • She lived through very traumatic and difficult events including constant sexual abuse by a close family friend.
- • She had several failed suicide attempts.
- • She was diagnosed with more than 10 different ailments.

Nevertheless, she was able to overcome all these. Today, she shares her experiences to motivate others and help them know that there is hope no matter the situation. I pray that this book blesses you and encourages you.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847167>

All You Can See: Tapping into a World of Limitless Visions and Possibilities / Olu Efunwoye
Nigeria: Olu Efunwoye (Self-Published), 2022

xiv, 258p.

9798986318103

\$ 50.00 / PB

352gm.

We all have dreams – but do you have the vision to make those dreams a reality? The power of your sight goes beyond your eyes. It's your most powerful sense and the core of a transformational force within you, one that can have truly life-changing effects upon you. When you fail to see what is ahead, you come to believe that what you have now is all there is to life.

In this clear and inspiring book, rooted in pragmatic examples and the author's own life story and experience, you'll learn practical examples of how you can use your gift of vision and transform it into a rich and fulfilling life. It doesn't matter how big and audacious your vision is, it can become a reality if you understand how not just to ask, but to expect that your dreams will be realized. With the world at your fingertips, you can work miracles – if you know what to look for.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847168>

Business

Principles And Practice of Public Enterprise Management in Nigeria / T.C. Amara
2nd Edition

Nigeria: Ker Expert Books, 2009

256p.

Includes Index

9789786462301

\$ 30.00/ PB

284gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847197>

The Debt Code: Practical Steps to Debt-Free Life / Ololade Olayanju

Nigeria: Surepartner Global Concept Limited, 2022

xviii, 172p.

9789789934355

\$ 20.00 / PB

222gm.

The Debt Code is a simple-to-read finance book. It documents my story and some other people's stories on how we were indebted, our struggles and our journey to a debt-free life. I believe 'The Debt Code' is a needed guide for people who want to exit the debt cycle as debt is the most common financial problem the average Nigerian has. The economic reality of our nation and the booming loan apps have lured and trapped so many people in the debt cycle. Most people indebted are seeking help, but they are quiet about their ordeal as a result of the embarrassment people often face when speaking about their problem.

The Debt Code book brings hope and enlightenment to people on how to get out of bad debt and plan a better future for themselves. The book will show the readers whether indebted or not how to maximise their finances better through practical money and lifestyle management tips which are very applicable to everyone. The book is recommended for teenagers upwards.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847208>

The Exciting Adventures of a Boring Consultant / Phil Maduagwu
Lagos: SW Advantage Resources, 2021

148p.

9789789933532

\$ 30.00 / PB

196gm.

What comes to mind when you hear the word 'Consultant'? A stuffy professional whose daily routine comprises boring meetings and presentations? Well, Phil has a different and more interesting view. In The Exciting Adventures of a Boring Consultant, she sheds light on the immense value consultants add to the workforce and business ecosystem. This masterfully written compilation of true stories serves to dispel the many wrong stereotypes about consultants. With incredible wit, Phil shares the fascinating adventures of being a consultant and guides the reader through the drama and intrigue that defines the consultant's world. Amid the humour and drama are valuable lessons for both aspiring and practising consultants. Are you a consultant, a business executive, or a brilliant professional looking to advance in your career? This book will take you down paths you had never imagined while providing apt solutions you might encounter or are probably encountering.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847209>

African Leaders' Tete a Tete: Navigating Entity Design and Prioritization for Systemic Outcomes /
Dr. Lucy S. Newman (Ed); Winnie Aduayi

Dallas, Texas, USA: Pyxidia House Publishers, 2022

160p.

1946530352; 9781946530356

\$ 30.00 / PB

178gm.

In this timely and practical book, "African Leaders' Tête À Tête: Navigating Entity Design and Prioritization For Systemic Outcomes", Dr Lucy S. Newman unlocks the door to transformational leadership in Africa and translates it into an interactive, easy-to-follow, real-life application to attain systemic outcomes that can pave the way for tangible contributions to the search for abundance in Africa's emerging transformation.

The author's unique angle creates a fresh perspective within the leadership genre. "African Leaders' Tête À Tête" teaches lessons that help individual, organisational, and jurisdictional leaders understand how to lead with sustainable results. She lays out ways to do that, presenting a comprehensive practical application of two concepts she developed over the years to make her point of how individuals, organisations, and jurisdictions can survive and thrive over time in Africa.

With unique messaging filled with brilliance, the book also provides instruction on how to successfully develop high-performing teams to fulfil even the most challenging mission. Undoubtedly, the directive strategies in the book provide timeless wisdom to leaders interested in achieving sustainable success and contributing to attaining the Africa we want.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847210>

Cookbooks

Memories on a Platter: My Journey with Nigerian Food / Iquo Ukoh (Ed) Georgia Bassey
Lagos: Expand Press Limited & IQ Foodplatter, 2022

360p.

Includes Index

9789785875867

\$ 150.00 / HB

1338gm.

Memories On A Platter is a Nigerian cook book, laced with memoirs from the writer's childhood and other stories that capture the essence, ingredients and dishes that make up the Nigerian culinary diversity. Get inspired to cook over 130 authentic Nigerian recipes. You will find recipes from the coastal regions with lots of seafood, tubers and fresh green vegetables, to the arid-north where cereal grains and meats dominate the dishes. Iquo Ukoh shares her stories to provide readers with some context about Nigerian food. Some of her reminiscences with cooking and growing up might be similar to yours, so get ready to be transported to a place of nostalgia. Memories On A Platter is a remarkable journey of Nigerian food, infused with rich cultural experiences, mind-blowing flavours, & jaw dropping food photography.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847211>

Economics/Development Studies

Mineral Deposits and Exploration Potential of Nigeria / Moses A. Olade

USA: Prescott Resource Publishers, 2020

404p.

Includes Bibliography

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708gm.

Nigeria, the most populous nation and largest economy in Africa is endowed with abundant mineral resources, including energy fuels, industrial minerals, gemstones, and metallic minerals. As West Africa has become a major destination for mining investors and exploration companies, Nigeria's mineral resources have generated considerable interest from exploration and mining companies worldwide. This book furnishes a detailed description of the deposits of metallic, non-metallic, solid energy, gemstones and industrial minerals in Nigeria with emphasis on their location, geological setting, mode of occurrence, physical and chemical characteristics, ore reserve estimates and metallogeny. It also provides a geoscientific analysis of the solid mineral sector, mineral production statistics, mining, and potential targets for mineral exploration.

There are twenty chapters in the book, divided into five parts. Part I is an introduction to mineral resources and discussion of the geological and tectonic setting and classification of Nigeria's mineral deposits. Part 2 provides detailed descriptions of known deposits of eighteen metals (Fe, Au, Pb, Zn, Cu, Ag, Sn, Nb, Ta, Mo, W, Ti, Bi, Cr, Ni, Pt, Mn, Al) with emphasis on their geological environment, mode of occurrence, mineralogy, origin, ore reserves mining history, and exploration.

Part 3 describes the distribution, geological setting, and reserves of solid energy minerals (uranium, coal, and bitumen), while Part 4 focuses on the geological occurrence, mineralogical and physical properties, mineral reserves and uses of non-metallic minerals comprised of thirty industrial minerals/rocks and several gemstone minerals. Part 5 reviews the status of the solid minerals industry, new mining regulations, mineral production statistics, mining practices, metallogenic provinces, and assessment of resource potential and exploration targets in Nigeria. A Glossary of Common Terms in Economic and Mining Geology is included at the end of the book. This book is an invaluable source of information, not only for geology and mining students, but also for practicing geoscientists, exploration and mining professionals and administrators in government and private companies who are interested or involved in economic geology, mineral exploration, and mineral resource development in Nigeria.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847212>

Energy Insight Nigeria: Evolutionary Two Decades in Retrospect / (Ed) Victor E. Eromosele
Lagos: Centre for Petroleum Information, 2020
452p.

9789789838776

1. Petroleum industry trade – Nigeria – Addresses, essays, lectures.

\$ 120.00 / PB

564gm.

Energy Insight NIGERIA: Evolutionary two decades in retrospect does not pretend to cover all key aspects of the country's energy industry. It documents aspects of the industry using a wide-angled lens, as well as a rear-view mirror. Every chapter is written by an experienced, acknowledged expert on the subject.

The book contains 30 chapters divided into seven distinct sections. Carefully abstracted are special commentaries by 16 contributors and six informational boxes in grey pages dotting the book. An appendix contains Nigerian energy industry milestones covering 2000 to 2020.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847213>

Ownership of Natural Resources and the Challenge of Economic Justice in Nigeria's Niger Delta Region: A Socio-Ethical Discourse / Edward Osang Obi
Port Harcourt: CIWA Publications, 2022

xii, 448p.

Includes Bibliography

9789789707157

\$ 35.00 / PB

510gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847214>

Nigerians: A Self-Organising People / Andrew S. Nevin (et al.)

Lagos: Self Organising Naija

ix, 245p.

9789787945889

\$ 50.00 / PB

318gm.

Why is Nigeria not yet a failed state? This book explores the question.

The author's basic thesis is that Nigeria's self-organising impulse is what has been preventing Nigeria from becoming a failed state, and is indeed behind whatever successes (and there are many) individual Nigerians and Nigeria are achieving. In spite of the chaos and disorder in the nation's public sector, the volatile nature of the economy, and societal stressors of various

dimensions, Nigerians find the impetus to organise life by themselves and for themselves. And this, they do, in every sphere of existence, at individual and group scales.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847215>

China: Rise and Global Influence in the 21st Century / Ikenna Emewu

Lagos: Afri-China Media Centre, 2021

xxxii, 278p.

Includes Bibliography

\$ 75.00 / HB

692gm.

The book is a reportage of Emewu who has practiced journalism in China with the country's largest and oldest newspaper organisation, People's Daily, Beijing. The book is a product of his immense research, reportage, lectures in the Renmin University, and tours through 17 Provinces of China, which is half of the country. The work proves a practical information and experience sharing of those things China did right and sustained till date to lift herself from the ashes of poverty to the top of the world economy.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847216>

Developmental Challenges of Sea Power in Africa: Securing Ships, Ports and People / Rear Admiral (Rtd) Michael Akinsola Johnson

Lagos: Origami (Parresia Publishers Ltd), 2022

xiv, 144p.

9789789954049

\$ 30.00 / PB

226gm.

Developmental Challenges of Sea Power in Africa departs from the work of most authors in that it provides an appraisal of shipping within the region. The development of maritime nations, through history, is influenced by the extent to which they dominate the sea, explore and exploit its resources, and ward off attacks from the sea. Drawing from the early canons of ideas on sea power whose insights shape the economy of most maritime nations, Africa's maritime industry and their navies were examined.

Shipping is one of the most competitive industries globally, that is why critical attention is given to key issues such as threats to maritime security and piracy, and the ordeals of mariners at sea.

Since trade is the foundation of sea power, the book examined the influence of African navies and other components of the maritime industry on global trade.

The book focused on ships, ports and people since they are considered the tripod on which a thriving maritime industry stands. While a critique of poor maritime governance, and shipbuilding capacity of most African nations was done. From all this, the question that is uppermost in our minds should be how to develop a vibrant blue economy using sea power in Africa.

So, how do we shape the future of sea power in Africa? The desire to see Africa's maritime industry transcend the drudgery of mediocrity and assume its full potential remains the focus. Anyone genuinely interested in the economic development of Africa through the use of the sea should read this book.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847217>

Introduction to Energy and Industrial Environment / L. O. Owate & C.U. Okujagu

Ibadan: Rescue Publications, 1997

114p.

9783299131

\$ 25.00 / PB

114gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847218>

Fundamentals of Local Government Finance in Nigeria / D. Njoku (et al.)
Nigeria: Reconciliation Publishers Nigeria, 2011
198p.
9782883131
\$ 35.00 / PB
222gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847219>

Education

Spirituality and Tertiary Education in West Africa / Sr Mary Eriken
Lagos: Malthouse Press Limited, 2022
xviii, 186p.
Includes Index; Bibliography
9789785961195
\$ 20.00 / PB
542gm.

This study is on aspects of formal tertiary education and students' learning, especially a critical examination of factors that affect the attitudes and moral behaviours of university students towards learning and the possibility of spirituality as a source of sustainable motivation for students' learning in Njala University, Sierra Leone.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847220>

History

History of Nigeria for Junior Secondary Schools, Book Two / R.A. Yusuf
Lagos: Hope View Ventures, 2020
ix, 95p.
Includes Workbook, Book Two
9789789030903
\$ 20.00 / PB
246gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847221>

Our Money Our People / Obemi Shasore
Lagos: Quramo Publishing (Quramo Educational Series (QEd), 2020
122p.
9789789816934
\$ 40.00 / PB
252gm.

Our Money, Our People is a young readers' version of The Money People. It is a well-illustrated and researched story about money—from our forefathers' use of trade by barter to present-day's use of mobile banking. It also takes a look at the background of the national heroes and symbols of our past and present currency and their various contributions to the nation.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847222>

The Rise, Fall and Liquidation of Africa's Pioneer Carriers: Nigerian National Shipping Line and Black Star Line / Edmund M. Chilaka
Munich, Germany: GRIN Publishing Ltd, 2019
xxii, 318p.
Includes Index; Bibliography
9783346074324
\$ 75.00 / PB
418gm.

The book, which is the culmination of a Ph.D. research on the activities of the first two shipping lines to be floated by the governments of Ghana and Nigeria in 1957 and 1959, bridges a critical gap in their understanding for the maritime space. It examines and analyses the establishments, the efflorescence, the collapse and liquidation of the Nigerian National Shipping Line (NNSL).

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847223>

The Making of Nigeria's Dream Team: Football Gold Medal Winners at Atlanta '96 Olympic Games / Mumini Alao
Lagos: SoccerTalk Media Ventures, 2021
xviii, 198p.
9789789980611
SoccerTalk Books Series 2
\$ 60.00 / PB
288gm.

THE MAKING OF NIGERIA'S DREAM TEAM: FOOTBALL GOLD MEDAL WINNERS AT ATLANTA '96 OLYMPIC GAMES is an in-depth account of the formation, preparation and coronation of the Nigerian under-23 football team that shocked the world to emerge as the first African team to win the Gold Medal in the football event of the Olympics Games at the Centennial edition in Atlanta, USA in 1996.

The book is a classic story of how a sports team overcame serial adversity to reach peak performance and emerge triumphant on the global stage.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847224>

Nzeogwu: An Intimate Portrait of Major Chukwuma Kaduna Nzeogwu / Olusegun Obasanjo Abeokuta: Olusegun Obasanjo, Presidential Library Foundation, 2022
xvi, 200p.
9789785930528
\$ 50.00 / PB
182gm.

Was he a genuine revolutionary? A hero or villain? What would he have thought of the country in its current state? The answers to these questions will perhaps remain as elusive and controversial as the man who inspired them.

The man? Chukwuma Kaduna Nzeogwu. His actions on 15 January, 1996 permanently altered the course of our nation.

Supported with personal letters and pictures, Olusegun Obasanjo, Nzeogwu's close friend and confidant, provides a penetrating and detailed account of the life of the one of the most enigmatic names in Nigeria's history.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847225>

Law

Land Litigation in Nigeria (Practice and Procedure) / Hon. Justice Abiodun A. Akinyemi
Lagos: Renaissance Law Publishers Limited, 2022
700p.
9789789963270
\$ 150.00 / PB
1008gm.

This is the first book on land law that combines both theory and practice and written by someone who's had active experience both as a courtroom trial Lawyer and a Judge.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847226>

Literature

Tanure Ojaide: Life, Literature, and the Environment / (Ed) Enajite Eseoghene Ojaruega
Lagos: Malthouse Press Limited, 2023
x, 266p.
Includes Index
9789785897937
\$ 35.00 / PB
730gm.

With three highly successful international conferences and other salutary events in Tanure Ojaide's honour over the last one and a half decades, researchers and scholars of African literature continue to reveal refreshingly new interpretations and insights to his poetry, fictional narratives, memoirs and critical essays. This particular collection is the second volume of essays, most of them selected from papers that were presented at the Third Tanure Ojaide International Conference held at the University of Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria from 2 to 5 May 2018. The conference with the theme 'Tanure Ojaide: Life, Literature and the Environment' was an opportunity for intellectuals from within and outside the African continent to examine how the artist's life, his bioregional and geographical environments influenced his writings.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847227>

Embrace From the Shadows: Master's Anthology / Chukwuemeka Desmond Ogbodo
Dezem Literary Series (DLS)
Lagos: Dezems (Publishers) Ltd, 2018
192p.
Includes 2 Audio CDs
9789789373019
\$ 50.00/ HB
860gm.

"Embrace from the shadows " it's a great anthology from the stable of Chukwuemeka Desmond Ogbodo. It's a collection of poems: classic poems, epics, odyssey, romantic lines, nationalistic thoughts and Reflections. Also contains songs, hymns and Zionist writings. With two recorded audio CD to compliment the package and enables you listen on the go.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847228>

Sanya / Oyin Olugbile
Lagos: Masobe, 2022
400p.

9789789987917
\$ 30.00 / PB
456gm.

Sànyà always felt different. And everyone that knew her—the people in the village she grew up in, her beloved brother, Dada, her Aunt Abike, and even her parents before she was born—knew that there was something special about her, too. After an unspeakable tragedy causes her to leave home and grow up too soon, she is devastated to find that her incredible powers are linked to a future which she must fight, even at the cost of her very soul. She begins life anew, hoping that the dark prophesy would somehow rewrite itself. Soon, however, her carefully crafted life and identity becomes the catalyst for a deadly war that will tear her family apart, and doom everything she holds dear.

Oyin Olugbile’s masterful debut tells the story of dangerous love—lost, found, and lost again—all against the backdrop of a fantastical, enthralling empire that holds even the Òrìsà themselves spellbound.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847229>

When We Were Fireflies / Abubakar Adam Ibrahim
Lagos: Masobe, 2023
424p.
9789789987900
\$ 35.00 / PB
472gm.

When brooding artist, Yarima Lalo, encounters a moving train for the first time, two serendipitous events occur. First, it triggers memories of past lives in which he was twice murdered—once on a train. He also meets Aziza, a woman with a complicated past of her own, who becomes key to helping him understand what he is experiencing. With a third death in his current life imminent, together they go hunting for remnants of his past lives. Will they find evidence that he is losing his mind or the people who once loved or loathed him?

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847230>

Rose and the Burma Sky / Rosanna Amaka
Lagos: Masobe, 2023
272p.
9789785945133
\$ 30.00 / PB
338gm.

One war, one soldier, one enduring love.

1939: In a village in south-east Nigeria on the brink of the Second World War, young Obi watches from a mango tree as a colonial army jeep speed by, filled with soldiers laughing and shouting, their buttons shining in the sun. To Obi, their promise of a smart uniform and regular wages is hard to resist, especially as he has his sweetheart Rose to impress and a family to support.

Years later, when Rose falls pregnant to another man, his heart is shattered. As the Burma Campaign mounts, and Obi is shipped out to fight, he is haunted by the mystery of Rose’s lover. When his identity comes to light, Obi’s devastation leads to a tragic chain of unexpected events. In ROSE AND THE BURMA SKY, Rosanna Amaka weaves together the realities of war, the pain of first love and how following your heart might not always be the best course of action. Its gritty boy’s-eye view brings a spare and impassioned intensity, charging it with universal resonance and power.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847231>

Chronicles of An Amazon / Joy Ebeledike
Benin City: Mindex Publishing Co. Ltd., 2022
316p.
9789788548904
\$ 40.00 / PB
440gm.

Chronicles of an Amazon is a story of triumph and conquest in the midst of the trials, challenges, and tragedies of life, It is an account of survival in the contemporary Nigerian society amidst the political instability, insecurity, corruption, decadence, and socio-cultural problems that routinely confront the people of Nigeria. Grace and Chima got married after a brief courtship. Together the young couple had to contend with the frailties and imperfections of human nature, the nightmare of giving birth to a challenged daughter, and the intrigue that trailed Chima's decision to serve his community by running for a political office. This book is a testimony that with faith in God, everyone can overcome and succeed in life no matter the odds.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847232>

People Live Here: A Novel / TJ Benson
Lagos: Masobe, 2022
276p.
9789789907212
\$ 40.00 / PB
224gm.

Kanulia is a 25 year old single-mother whose quest for a better job that will help her raise her son in the post-PMS subsidy removal crises of January 2012 lands her a foreign-aid nursing work in Sana'a in the after-math of the Yemeni-Uprising the previous year. With the cast of eccentric yet friendly coworkers from all over the world, she eases into the old city, takes in the architecture. She begins a journey of friendship, trauma and rediscovery that will bring her back to Nigeria a changed woman, even though she is initially unaware of it, it's a change that will save lives at the crisis stricken Northern borders of her country.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=840709>

Men Don't Cry / Faiza Guene (Translator) Sarah Ardizzone
Abuja: Cassava Republic Press, 2021
216p.
9781911115694
\$ 30.00 / PB
288gm.

Men Don't Cry invites us into the home of Mourad Chennoun in Nice, where his father spends his days fixing things in the backyard, his mother bemoans the loss of her natal village in Algeria, and the name Dounia is taboo.

When Mourad's father has a stroke, he is forced to rise above his fear of becoming an overweight bachelor, tied down to home by his mother's cooking, and take steps to bridge the gulf between his family and estranged sister.

This quest takes him to the Paris suburbs where he starts his teaching career, and falls into the world of undocumented Algerian toyboys and discovers that Douania has become a staunch feminist, aspiring politician and fierce assimilationist.

Can Mourad adapt to his new, fast-paced Parisian life and uphold his family's values? .

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847233>

Sun Shower / Alex Kadiri
Lagos: QBooks (Quramo Publishing), 2021
240p.
9789785849424
\$ 30.00 / PB
272gm.

Sun Shower follows Ismail's journey through unemployment while he deals with a fraught relationship with his overbearing and equally unemployed father. On the other hand, his mother suffers a strange illness that has her desperate to find healing. At the core of Sun Shower is Ismail's journey to self-discovery as he battles issues surrounding depression, hypocrisy and his unsavoury ethics.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847234>

Number 17 Solace Streets: Memoirs of a Proletariat's Daughter / Asma'u Baikie
Abuja: SunbeamBooks, 2020
iv, 292p.
9789789460478
\$ 30.00 / PB
370gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847235>

The Broken Pieces: The Pursuit of Power, Pleasure, Politics and Hope / Hope Ekeh Jr
Abia State: Valley View Press, 2022
256p.
9789789929108
\$ 38.00 / PB
316gm.

Insurgency. Politics. Corruption.

A young soldier thrust to the forefront of the insurgency up north. Every day Dozie lived was by grace. Furious at the politicized military system, he would come to question his patriotism, self-worth, and love for Amanda, a journalist who never spared the truth about the insurgency, politicized politics and the 2015 presidential election.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847236>

The Chameleon Girl / Jane Labous
Lagos: Farafina (Kachifo Limited), 2022
390p.
9789785696783
\$ 38.00 / PB
362gm.

University lecturer, Soumaya Dramé, abandons her job in England to go after her mother, Pearl, who, in the wake of a quarrel with her Senegalese father, AI, has fled to Senegal. Determined to track Pearl down before her despondent father does something foolish, Soumaya enlists the help of a charismatic photographer, Aziz. As they navigate a place she is from but not quite a part of, Soumaya meets her Senegalese relatives – and also runs into a beautiful older woman who seems to be stalking her.

Set mostly in sunny Dakar, The Chameleon Girl is the story of a woman of dual identities confronting her parents' past amid secrets, stereotypes and cross-cultural family tensions.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847237>

SARO / Nike Campbell
Lagos: Narrative Landscape Press, 2022
viii, 368p.
9789785920475
\$ 38.00 / PB
318gm.

On a visit to the coast of Marina, Lagos, Siwoolu and his young family are lured by a traitor to a grand merchant ship where they are captured by slaveholders masquerading as traders. On the way to the new world, they are rescued by abolitionists on a British naval ship and sent to Freetown, a haven for freed slaves.

They settle in their new home, grow their family, and become successful merchants, trading goods between Freetown and Eko. Dotunu, Siwoolu's wife, falls in love with another man and is caught in a love triangle. But their lives are upended again when they hear that the kingdom has selected the traitor as king. Siwoolu, content with his new life, yet fearful of a curse that lurks in the shadows, refuses to return, but Dotunu is determined to keep the traitor from the throne. She turns to their son, Oşolu, who is running from his own demons, to seize the throne that is rightfully theirs.

Saro is a multigenerational tale of betrayal and restitution, love and war, inspired by true events that will take the reader from the rocky terrain of Abeokuta and the burgeoning city of Lagos to the lion mountains of Freetown and Hastings of Sierra Leone from the 1830s to the 1850s.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847238>

Don't Answer When They Call Your Name: A Novel / Ukamaka Olisakwe
Lagos: Masobe, 2023
224p.
9789785943702
\$ 38.00 / PB
188gm.

Don't Answer When They Call Your Name is set in a fantasy multiverse rooted in Igbo mythology—imagine The Hunger Games set in Ben Okri's The Famished Road. This is a story about an aja who decides that it is time to wrest power from a merciless deity.

When the streams suddenly run dry in Ani Mmadu, the people know it is time to atone for a sin that goes back to the very beginning of their world; the consequence of one woman's rebellion against the all-powerful and unforgiving, jealous god. To avert this catastrophe and for the waters to flow and nourish the farms again, the people must send an Aja—a child chosen by the Oracle—into the Forest of Iniquity, to atone for that great Sin. It falls on young Adanne to save her people this time. But the Ajas sent into the dreaded forest tend never to return. Is Adanne the long-awaited one who will buck the trend and end her people's suffering?

Don't Answer When They Call Your Name is an extraordinary novel bursting with kaleidoscopic worlds and beings. It is a feat of the imagination from a natural storyteller.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847239>

Dead Bones Do Not Rise Again / Ifenna Grace Okeke
Lagos: Purple Shelves Publishers, 2022
244p.
9789785959949
\$ 38.00 / PB
328gm.

Nnenne vanishes from the life she is used to and the love of her life becomes born again and embraces God wholeheartedly. Unknown to her, she is fulfilling the prophecy of an ohu uzo (seer),

endorsing the will of the gods, and carving the path for the next ohu uzo to accept the bequeathment of his ancestors.

In this enthralling debut, Ifenna Okeke stirs the waters of spirituality and religion and asks difficult questions about the superiority of modern religion over ancient religion, particularly Traditional African Religion.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847240>

A Spell of Good Things / Ayobami Adebayo

Lagos: Ouida Books, 2023

432p.

9789789985821

\$ 38.00 / PB

536gm.

Eniola is tall for his age, a boy who looks like a man. His father has lost his job, so Eniola spends his days running errands for the local tailor, collecting newspapers and begging, dreaming of a big future. Wuraola is a golden girl, the perfect child of a wealthy family. Now an exhausted young doctor in her first year of practice, she is beloved by Kunle, the volatile son of family friends. When a local politician takes an interest in Eniola and sudden violence shatters a family party, Wuraola and Eniola's lives become intertwined.

In this breathtaking novel, Ayòbámi Adébéyò shines her light on Nigeria, on the gaping divide between the haves and the have-nots, and the shared humanity that lives in-between.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847241>

Tomorrow I Become A Woman / Aiwanose Odafen

Lagos: Ouida Books, 2022

407p.

9789789985845

\$ 38.00 / PB

488gm.

When Chigozie and Obianuju meet in August 1978, it is nothing short of fate. He is the perfect man: charismatic, handsome, Christian, and—most importantly—Igbo. He reminds her of her beloved Uncle Ikenna, her mother's brother who disappeared fighting in The Civil War that devastated Nigeria less than a decade before. It is why, when Gozie asks her to marry him within months of meeting, she says yes, despite her lingering and uncertain feelings for Akin—a man her mother would never accept, as his tribe fought on the other side of the war. Akin makes her feel heard, understood, intelligent; Gozie makes her heart flutter.

For Uju, the daughter her mother never wanted, marriage would mean the attainment of that long elusive state of womanhood, and something else she has desired all her life—her mother's approval. All will be well; he is the perfect match, the country will soon be democratic again and the economy is growing, or so she thinks.

Loosely based on the stories of real women known to the author, *Tomorrow I Become a Woman* follows a complex relationship between mother and daughter as they grapple to come to terms with tremendous loss. This powerful debut by Aiwanose Odafen is a sensitive exploration of a woman's struggle to meet societal and cultural expectations within the confines of a difficult marriage, a tribute to female friendship and a love story that spans two decades and continents against a backdrop of political turmoil and a fast-changing world.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847242>

An Unusual Grief / Yewande Omotoso

Abuja: Cassava Republic Press, 2022

256p.

9781913175139
\$ 30.00 / PB
274gm.

How do you get to know your daughter when she is dead?

This is the question which takes a mother on a journey of self-discovery. When her daughter Yinka dies, Mojisola is finally forced to stop running away from the difficulties in their relationship, and also come to terms with Yinka the woman. Mojisola's grief leads her on a journey of self-discovery, as she moves into her daughter's apartment and begins to unearth the life Yinka had built for herself there, away from her family.

Through stepping into Yinka's shoes, Mojisola comes to a better understanding not only of her estranged daughter, but also herself, as she learns to carve a place for herself in the world beyond the labels of wife and mother. A bold and unflinching tale of one women's unconventional approach to life and loss.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=840750>

All That It Ever Meant / Blessing Musariri

Lagos: Ouida Books, 2022

162p.

9789787911693

\$ 38.00 / PB

208gm.

Family, grief, ghosts, and a mystery: this clever and compelling young adult novel heralds a masterful new voice from Zimbabwe.

Mati's family is reeling from the death of Mati's mother. Her Baba has drawn into himself, her sister Chichi is rebelling, and her young brother Tana is desperate for love and normalcy. When Chichi pulls her worst stunt yet, Baba uproots the family from their home in England for an extended camping holiday in their native Zimbabwe. Along for the trip is Meticais, a fabulously attired gender-neutral spirit—or ghost? or imaginary friend?—who only Mati can see and converse with. Guided by Meticais's enigmatic advice and wisdom, Mati must come to terms with her grief and with the difficulty of living between two cultures, while the family must learn to forge their way in a world without their monumental mother. Full of captivating characters and stunning plot twists, *All That It Ever Meant* delivers a nuanced and unforgettable story of grief, love, and family.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847243>

Fountain of Betrayal / Ted Elemeforo

Ibadan: Winepress Publishing (Noirledge Limited), 2021

332p.

9789785806977

\$ 38.00 / PB

430gm.

Fountain of Betrayal brings to life the Odi massacre, at the dawn of Nigeria's Third Republic. At the centre of the story is Amatu, a conscientious young man whose search for love and identity steers him to the murky waters of oil politics. Amatu tries to survive the cycle of tragedies that trails him. Set in the Niger Delta, Fountain of Betrayal is an enthralling tale of love, hope, confusion, greed and betrayal that would make the reader laugh and cry. And maybe, cry again.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847244>

Pleasantview / Celeste Mohammed

Lagos: Ouida Books, 2022

224p.

9789787911716
\$ 40.00 / PB
282gm.

Coconut trees. Carnival. Rum and coke. To many outsiders, these and other sunny images are all they know about life in the Caribbean. However, if you want to learn how the locals truly live and experience the dark and often harrowing truths that lurk behind the idyllic imagery of Caribbean culture, then come visit the town of Pleasantview.

Come during election season, and see how one candidate sets out to slaughter endangered turtles—just for fun. Or come on the day the other candidate beats his outside woman, so badly she ends up losing their baby. Then come on the night of the political rally, where this grieving woman exacts very public revenge. Stay a while, and see how this single event has a trajectory far beyond the lives of the immediate actors, with often tragic and heartbreaking consequences.

Written in a remarkable combination of Standard English and Trinidad

Creole. *Pleasantview* showcases the entrenched political, racial, patriarchal, and class dichotomies of life in Trinidad.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847245>

The Cabal: A Novel / Odafe Atogun

Lagos: Masobe, 2023

214p.

9789789987863

\$ 38.00 / PB

184gm.

Bako Thomas lives a solitary life, a calm centre in an increasingly unstable world. The City outside his apartment is sliding towards a dystopia as a fuel crisis holds citizens to ransom. He is down to his final chance with Avé, his girlfriend of two years, and his relationships with his neighbours, The Law, Gebu and Mimi are fraught with anxiety and tension. When a tragedy forces him to go on the run, he soon finds himself being roped into the murky world of politics and corruption he thought he had left behind for good.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847246>

Costly Victory / Chika Amarachi Christiana

Nigeria: Mediawell & Co., 2021

vi, 186p.

9789789952403

\$ 30.00 / PB

226gm.

Costly Victory unveils the stigma and trauma often presented by a broken home, not only for the couple but for their children as well. Akudo, a teenage girl, found herself struggling to create a balance in being a mediator between her parents, a pillar of strength for her siblings' lives, and a companion to her aunt. Not to forget, she had her own life to live. Exhausted, she almost lost herself in the process.

Costly Victory is a captivating narrative tailored to dispense invaluable moral lessons.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847247>

Above the Mirage / Gyang Precious Eneyimoh

Abuja: Shak Artistic Touch and Creativity (ShakATAC) Limited, 2021

188p.

9789789952021

\$ 25.00 / PB

224gm.

Above the Mirage is a story about the interplay of love, power and greed. A handful of Portuguese explorers arrived the shores of Ikekaka Kingdom for the first time in the fifteenth century, arousing the curiosity of the natives who thought they were gods, thereby upsetting traditions cherished for untold generations.

Lured by the glitter of mirrors and lust for cowries and gold, King Aigbe pushed the patience of his subjects to the limits by engaging in questionable transactions with the foreigners to the detriment of the interests of the kingdom. From the insatiable greed of the king, to the imperfect decisions of the queen, a story of love and possible betrayal awaits a young maiden whose love interest is one of the explorers. Will their love survive the test of time and tradition?

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847248>

Looking Glass Bullet / Akintomiwa Akinnimi

Lagos: Qbooks (Quramo Publishing), 2022

viii, 282p.

9789785951899

\$ 35.00 / PB

348gm.

Samuel Adeniyi-Jones, a rich and successful casanova, leads a simple life of playing hard and working even harder. His utopia morphs into hell on the night an assassin narrowly misses an attempt on his life, whisking his world into turmoil. Every day leaves Samuel with new shocking discoveries and suspects. Faced with the risk of losing the few things he holds dear, he sets off on a journey to confront and undo his past mistakes — all while trying to unearth the identity and motivation of a determined, resourceful killer who would stop at nothing to see him dead.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847249>

The 11th Sin / Attah John Edeh

Lagos: Vizavi Media, 2021

230p.

9789789914593

\$ 30.00 / PB

250gm.

Eye on stardom, hips lost to seduction; this is the fascinating story of Maxwell; the most attractive, amiable but painfully flawed hustler on the rise to greatness in Lagos city as an actor, but entangled in mind-boggling sexcapades with amorous women in daring places.

Reduced to his bare knees by the crushing weight of the so-called Hustlers Creed he recklessly violated, the unrepentant skirt-chaser is dragged to the very bottom of his nature and it is only from his dark abyss can the talented actor see every pathway to national stardom and riches.

Twelve months later, the unrelenting seductress from Max's past blows her cover; Detective Leah goes rogue, setting up the elegant celebrity against the entire nation who adores him as a grass-to-grace hero. Max grapples with the devastating onslaught from brutal police detectives, vengeful women and a damning criminal legal battle wrestles Nigeria's most sought-after and glamorous movie star.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847250>

Nearly All The Men In Lagos Are Mad / Damilare Kuku

Great Britain: Swift Press, 2022

256p.

9781800751910

\$ 38.00 / PB

280gm.

Nearly All the Men in Lagos are Mad is a collection of twelve short stories featuring characters with unique voices and stories that represent the diverse class, gender and ethnic melting pot that is Lagos.

There's a story of a young lady who tries to find her oyibo soulmate on the streets of Lagos; another of a pastor's wife who defends her husband from an allegation of adultery; a wife takes a knife to her husband's penis; a night of lust between a rising musician and his Instagram baddie takes an unexpected turn.

From Ikorodu to Yaba, Ilupeju to Victoria Island, the stories underscore with wit, humour, wisdom and sensitivity, the perils of trying to find lasting love and companionship in Africa's most notorious city that will prove universal and illuminating.

There's a story behind every hustling, hopeful, striving Lagosian trying to make their way to a better life and Damilare Kuku's characterisations are brilliant distillations of this recognisable mindset.

Every story is layered; these are people and choices you may recognise in yourself and people you know. Ultimately, these stories will make you laugh, think, and feel and remind us all that we are not alone.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847251>

Tears, Blood and Death / Olubukola Adekusibe

Lagos: Lofty Steps Consults, 2021

175p.

9789789898114

\$ 25.00 / PB

128gm.

- Two weeks ago, he broke a plate. Last week, he broke a flower pot. As he holds the shards of a broken tumbler in his hand, his earnest desire is to be free from his abuser.
- The arrival of Baba Ibeji's newest wife into his harem opens the family into a web of deception and fatal attraction.
- When a ten year old boy informs his best friend of his father's arrival, he has no idea that the information given will result in a night he would never wish to remember.

Tears, Blood and Death is a collection of stories that will keep you glued to the end.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847252>

Amaechi: The Past, the Present and Tomorrow / Chima Nwoke

Nigeria: Dinta Media, 2022

176p.

9789785944884

\$ 38.00 / PB

220gm.

Amaechi: The Past, the Present and Tomorrow is an anthology of short stories with themes of police/military brutality, espionage, re-imagined folktales and African traditional religious beliefs such as the mythology of the Igbo gods, and reincarnation. The genres explored in the anthology range from African folklore and mythologies, whodunit as well as heist thrillers, to Africanfuturism. It is a book heavy with tales of the supernatural. Yet, its charm mostly lies in its ordinariness – the way the material effortlessly collapses into the immaterial – like life itself. Quite intriguingly, a cultural awakening is sweeping through Africa. Our people are turning to indigenous imaginaries, or at least daring to question dominant, European-style ideologies and life-ways. *Amaechi* has emerged as both an arsenal and pacifier to fold the modern into the traditional; the real into the magical; the past and the future. The Past, the Present, and Tomorrow: this subtitle accurately

captures the message of *Amaechi*. In Igbo Ontology, the past lives through the present. People carry in them the spirits of their ancestors. The present is a canvas, already dotted with trails of the past, but available for the making of a future. The universe is enveloped in energy, guided by forces sometimes familiar, other times alien and untamable. This is the foundational idea that undergirds the broad themes explored in the stories that make up the book.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847253>

No God Like the Mother: Short Stories / Kesha Ajose Fisher

Portland, Oregon, USA: Inkwater Press, 2019

168p.

9781629016191

\$ 40.00 / PB

210gm.

Kesha Ajose Fisher's *No God like the Mother* follows characters in transition, through tribulation and hope. Set around the world--the bustling streets of Lagos, the arid gardens beside the Red Sea, an apartment in Paris, the rain-washed suburbs of the Pacific Northwest--this collection of nine stories is a masterful exploration of life's uncertainty that will draw readers in and keep them riveted.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847254>

The Widow Who Died With Flowers in Her Mouth / Obinna Udenwe

Lagos: Masobe, 2023

352p.

9789789987887

\$ 38.00 / PB

290gm.

Nobody mixes surrealism, sensuality, and sexuality like Obinna Udenwe.

Nobody!

In the 2021 NLNG Prize finalist's new collection of stories, ordinary people find (and fashion) themselves in (and into) far-from-ordinary situations. A beautiful woman is discovered half-naked and dead but is the killer one of her wealthy suitors? A plumber is treated to an intense sexual experience by a woman with cash, curves, and killer moves—but is she who he thinks she is? A young doctor arrives at the brink of insanity after a forbidden entanglement with a married woman. A sexually promiscuous tailor's return to her father's house immediately sparks lust, jealousy, chaos, and violence.

In *The Widow Who Died With Flowers in Her Mouth*, Obinna Udenwe opens a window into Nigerian life and gives readers an unvarnished look at the country and its people in all of their thrilling, titillating, and terrible glory.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847255>

The Wig and The Streets: A Collection of Short Stories / Emmanuel Ayoola

Nigeria: Emmanuel Ayoola (Self-Published), 2022

102p.

9781100215495

\$ 20.00 / PB

100gm.

The 'Wig and the Streets' is a collection of short stories that takes the reader on a relatable Nigerian journey traversing different times and places. At the heart of each story is a young lawyer gliding down the slippery slope of survival and dealing with the grim realities of being a new wig. The book employs a lot of humour and suspense while exploring the familiar, yet untold stories of

junior lawyers practising law in Nigeria. Though a work of fiction, it attempts a conversation on the unfair working conditions new wigs in Nigeria are subjected to.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847256>

The House of Shells / Efua Traore

Lagos: Masobe, 2023

288p.

9789785943726

\$ 38.00 / PB

220gm.

Kuki refuses to believe in the curse of the Abiku. Her destiny is not to die young! Her biggest problem right now is moving house and fitting in at her new school.

One evening while exploring, Kuki spies a driveway lined with giant palm trees. It leads to an abandoned beach house of shadows and scattered sea shells. And in the fading light, she meets a girl called Enilo. They become friends – the best of friends. Until Kuki makes a terrifying discovery

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<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847257>

Even When Your Voice Shakes / Ruby Yayra Goka

Lagos: Ouida Books, 2022

200p.

9789787911686

\$ 38.00 / PB

254gm.

A young girl speaks out against her wealthy abuser in this riveting YA novel from one of Ghana's most celebrated children's book authors.

When Amerley is offered a job working for one of her mother's distant relatives, she knows he has to accept. Her wages will feed her family, help her sisters stay in school, and ensure that her mother won't have to worry about them. Amerley's move to Accra isn't easy, but she soon settles into her new life away from her small town- until an unfortunate incident.

Through the life of an ordinary girl, *Even When Your Voice Shakes* exposes the damage wrought by institutionalized misogyny and poverty and reveals how even those who are most disadvantaged are never without their own power.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847258>

I Was a Teen Rock Star! : From School Drop-Out to Teenage Rock Star! / A H Mohammed

Nigeria: Bard and Ink Publishing, 2021

vi, 214p.

97897789915675

\$ 25.00 / PB

206gm.

My Music. My Life. This is all Lanre Bandele dreams about- even though he is a lonely and unhappy teenage schoolboy, abandoned by his parents and flunking school. Yet can dreams come true? Maybe...as he discovers an unexpectedly different world in pursuit of his dreams.

Sometimes funny, sometimes tragic, this is a gripping yet tender coming-of-age story about a contemporary Nigerian teenager, music and growing up.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847259>

One Kingdom One Monarch and Other Plays / Omo Uwaifo

Lagos: Prima (Narrative Landscape Press), 2022
viii, 180p.
9789785930535
\$ 38.00 / PB
264gm.

"Omo Uwaifo has completed a set of plays that mirror the life and times of some of the makers of the history of the Edo people. The plays focus on the social and political factors and actors that have shaped and continue to shape the image of the Edo people. The theme of a play like "One Kingdom One Monarch" – the uncharacteristic difficulty in subduing a presumptuous, even defiant subject – is significant because [Uwaifo] places emphasis on the internal pressures and tensions that mark the beginning of the Empire's decline. Popular Edo theatre seems to favour music and dance and rhetoric above the mainly conversational mode of contemporary stage theatre. Uwaifo's collection is a contribution to the development of Edo stage theatre." – Dan Izevbaye

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847260>

1960: A Factional Collage of Nigeria's March to Independence / Bimbo Manuel
Lagos: Qbooks (Quramo Publishing), 2022
xviii, 90p.
9789785849462
\$ 25.00 / PB
136gm.

Through the eyes of Ochuko and his small band of rebels, eyes that have known only the pristine beauty of the mysterious creeks and a heart that remembers only pain of slavery, we see a fight onto death, as unsung heroes give their all to the struggle for self-rule in a small corner of what will become the nation Nigeria. '1960' is fact and fiction that dramatically follows the march to independence of a most uncommon amalgamation of great kingdoms and proud empires into one political entity, Nigeria, fused into a union for administrative ease. '1960' seeks to inspire new hope in spite of a nation's inherited challenges, and sparks anew a celebration of who we were and can become again.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847261>

Alhaji / Bimbo Manuel
Lagos: Qbooks (Quramo Publishing), 2022
xvi, 108p.
9789785849486
\$ 25.00 / PB
156gm.

In the way men are called upon, he is a man, fit, able. He is comfortable with his three wives, all living in harmony, none is deprived. He is, however, totally unprepared for the sudden occurrence that challenges all his claims to being a MAN, the failure of his manhood. He knows he needs help, but who does he tell without 'losing face'? His wives? His close friends? No! This is the full measure of him as a man, what defines him. How will they see him afterwards? It is the way society has programmed him. ALHAJI is his struggle back from the edge of surrender and emasculation, but will he be man and husband to his wives...again? 'Alhaji' covers erectile dysfunction and its effect on men with expert humour and wit.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847262>

Philomena: Interview With a Prostitute / Bimbo Manuel
Lagos: Qbooks (Quramo Publishing), 2022

xvi, 80p.
9789785849479
\$ 25.00 / PB
118gm.

WESLEY is a newly-sacked journalist who, in frustration and uttermost confusion, goes to drink off his sorrow at a roadside beer parlour. PHILOMENA, a prostitute in her last laps, runs the beer parlour as a side hustle, which has become her main sustenance. In a lightbulb moment, Wesley decides to interview Philomena, because he sees potential for a great story that will change the course of journalism. He soon finds himself being sucked into growing affection for Philo as she tells her gripping story. He, however, has not reckoned with AREA, a frustrated, wannabe scientist, broke teacher, and Philo's most loyal customer and admirer. They have two things in common—cynicism and bitterness towards society. Following an almost serendipitous connection, the men demand to hear, and Philomena agrees to tell the story of her life, while they both vie for her affections. 'Philomena: Interview with a Prostitute' is a satirical play set in a seedy beer parlour and told with the deftness of a veteran thespian.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847263>

Kingdom of the Mask: A Stage Adaptation of Chinua Achebe's "A Man of the People" / Chikwendu PK Anyanwu
Nigeria: Anchor Books Publishers Africa, 2022
132p.
9789789690602
\$ 30.00 / PB
152gm.

Kingdom of the Mask projects the dangers of political deceit, violence and corruption. It is a grim warning for the Nigerian political class and the electorate.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847264>

Broken Tide / Ebi Yeibo
Lagos: Malthouse Press Limited, 2023
xii, 108p.
9789785961119
\$ 25.00 / PB
188gm.

One of the finest voices in Nigeria today, Ebi Yeibo has published eight collections of poetry. He has won numerous literary awards, including the ANA poetry prize. He teaches at the Niger Delta University, Bayelsa State, Nigeria. Broken Tide continues the Yeiboan tradition of songs about present and future dangers in the Niger Delta, in Nigeria and in the world.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847265>

A Cocktail of Words: A Blend of Gentle Provoking Thoughts / Amachree Isoboye Afanyaa
Nigeria: Amachree Isoboye Afanyaa (Self-Published), 2020
x, 130p.
8696898788; 9798696898780
\$ 30.00 / HB
300gm.

"A Cocktail of Words" can be described as a wisdom literature that communicates deep insights using poetic flare.

Citing different incidents in real life and various novels, every page of this book disperses a great amount of relatable wisdom.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847266>

Souvenir of a Broken Heart / Akinsoyinu Opemipo Moyosoreoluwa

Lagos: Haridor Communications, 2021

168p.

9789789918973

\$ 40.00 / PB

192gm.

I have looked everywhere for a voice I can borrow- my melody, a voice to dwell. One that tells the dictates of my heart and bends to the rhythm of my conscience. I never wanted to try, I just wanted to be, and that has been a lifetime of struggle. I wish I could tell this to you in a song, perhaps write you a letter, but what letter is better than the one from a soul that has tasted death, alive.

The caesura of breath is the finality, but before it is other types of deaths.

Souvenir of a broken heart is that gift I wish I had growing up. It was that compass I wish life gave me before her flying darts, but here it is, a gift we give to you. You know you better in the pool of your thoughts swimming in the river of tomorrow breathlessly.

Take a deep breath, sister, take a pause, brother. The journey is still a long way from the finish line. Preserve your energy. You would need it most when all the chips are down.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847267>

Ayangalu: Collection of Poems / Abimbola Davis

Ibadan: Book & Sports Limited, 2021

xviii, 130p.

9789789889358

\$ 25.00 / PB

208gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847268>

Coming Undone as Stitches Tighten / Iquo DianaAbasi

Makurdi: SEVHAGE Publishers, 2021

142p.

9789785626568

\$ 25.00 / PB

192gm.

72 poems in four sections gracefully rendered to speak the spirit of a nation. Coming undone as stitches tighten brings together intriguing poems of personal and communal consequence. It covers diverse experiences, including love and longing, the environment, culture, music, governance, and death. It is a tribute to nationhood and humanity, evoking emotions that capture the true essence of art. As in her debut collection, Iquo DianaAbasi once more brings to the page the fire for which she is known on stage.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847269>

The Anguish and Vigilance of Things: Poems / Richard Ali

Lagos: Konya Shamsrumi (Parresia Publishers Ltd), 2017

60p.

9789785529487

\$ 20.00 / PB

104gm.

The Anguish and Vigilance of Things is Richard Ali's long awaited debut. The collection deals with a range of ideas and issues, playing with form and structure. At the centre of them all is the image of a poet in a penultimate space, at an angle to the stairs of this world in the sense of James Baldwin.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847270>

A Woman's Body is a Country: Poems / Dami Ajayi
Lagos: Ouida Books, 2017
80p.
9789789628391
\$ 20.00 / PB
104gm.

Dami Ajayi's second volume of poems, *A Woman's Body is a Country*, interrogates the ramifications of affection. A work of impressive artistry, these are poems of life turned inside out, where time cheats on writers, and the people and things at the brunt end of our oppressive pleasures come back to haunt us. Here is the poetry of the quotidian, a philosophic and profound interrogation of relationships, of words, of bodies and their burdens, of times and time.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847271>

Harmattan! And Other Poems / Olufemi Dokun-Babalola
Lagos: QBooks (Quramo Publishing), 2022
xx, 116p.
9789789944484
\$ 25.00 / PB
160gm.

In Harmattan! and Other poems, the poet pours out his thoughts as a traveller, a patriotic Nigerian, a devout Christian, and more, in this collection of laidback yet thought-provoking poems, covering his trips and observations through travel monologues, politics (both local and foreign), the ugly reality of terrorism, and the deep importance of faith to him. He reveals his general reflections on life, the Nigerian weather/climate, aging, and Ebola/COVID; his support for the Super Eagles and for Liverpool FC; his love for his wife, his mother, and musings on Harry and Meghan's marriage; and a reflection on rainbows, Psalm 23, and the coming of Judgement Day; all with unique observation and rhythmic mastery.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847272>

Orchestra of Her Last Rites / Salamatu Sule
Nigeria: AMAB Books & Publishing, 2018
60p.
9789785390094
\$ 25.00 / PB
82gm.

Orchestra of Her Last Rites is debuted poetry collection to celebrate womanhood. It is premised on a historical figure, Inikpi the legendary.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847273>

Falling Boy: Poems / Tomi Olugbemi
Nigeria: Tomi Olugbemi, 2019
52p.
9781797963518
\$ 20.00 / PB

74gm.

Life, death, and a mother's love.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847274>

Echoes of Bullets (A Compendium of War and Its Gory Fingers) / Leonard Ifeanyi Ugwu, Jr.

Ibadan: Omojojolo Books (Emotion Press), 2021

168p.

9789785922813

\$ 25.00 / PB

160gm.

Echoes of Bullets is a poetry collection that ranges from the causes of war; to war and the aftermaths of war. Coming when the country combats terrible challenges, this collection echoes the voice of the new generation who did not face the horrible experience of the past civil war. Through this book, this new generation is placed in the middle of the war and dispassionately pictured through a pair of lenses: the "good" and "bad" of war.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847275>

Kaninkanin / Abimbola Davis

Ibadan: Books & Sports Limited, 2021

xxvi, 134p.

9789789889341

In Yoruba

\$ 25.00 / PB

222gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847276>

Performing Arts

Duro Oni – Arts, Design and Life: 70th Birthday Commemorative Studies and Tributes / (Eds)

Sunday Enessi Ododo & Osita C. Ezenwanebe

Lagos: National Theatre, 2022

xviii, 810p.

Includes Index

9780993578168

\$ 150.00 / PB

1422gm.

Duro Oni: Art, Design and Life – 70th Birthday Commemorative Studies and Tributes is a testament to the deep sense of appreciation that creative arts aficionados, literary critics, students, and peers reserve for the contribution of Duro Oni to the field of lighting and design specifically, and to theatre practice in Nigeria generally.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847277>

Politics/International Relations

African Perspectives on ACP-EU Relations / (Eds) Amadu Sesay, Sharkdam Wapmuk & Chinasa A. Ugwuanyi

Lagos: The Nigerian Institute of International Affairs, 2020

xxxviii, 532p.

Includes Index
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\$ 40.00 / PB
710gm.

African Perspectives on ACP-EU Relations critically examines the historical and contemporary dynamics of ACP-EU relations, which date back to 1975 and critically examines both the nature and future of the relationship beyond year 2020. The Eu-Africa and ACP-EU relations are largely guided by the provisions of the Cotonou Partnership Agreement (CPA), which contains economic and political provisions and conditionality, with emphasis on trade and development cooperation.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847278>

Rituals of Democracy: Reflections on the 2019 General Elections in Nigeria / Mike Omilusi
Ibadan: Prime Publishers & Educational Services, 2021

xxxii, 368p.

Includes Index

9789785864878

\$ 55.00 / PB

488gm.

Like other democratic events and institutions, elections are usually ritualised, being social activities that are full of symbolism and meaning. The book provides insight into the political engagement and metaphors of ritual associated with electoral democracy in Nigeria since the democratic transition that ended long years of military rule in 1999. It explores the dynamics of political groups, electoral campaigns, legal frameworks and the influence of party gladiators and civil society groups on voting behaviour in the 2019 general elections. Through a methodologically complex and rich empirical study, the book significantly addresses key issues that confront Nigeria's electioneering process and makes a deep contextual contribution to our comprehension of elections, voters and democracy in the country.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847279>

US – Africa Policy Under President Obama / (Eds) Abdullahi Musa Ashafa, Joshua Olusegun
Bolarinwa & Efem Nkam Ubi

Lagos: The Nigerian Institute of International Affairs, 2020

xxxiv, 217p.

9786021566

\$ 20.00 / PB

320gm.

US-Africa Policy under the Obama Administration, 2009-2017 examines the nature and dynamics US-Africa relations by interrogating certain interests that determine and shape US-Africa's policy since 1960.

It specifically examines the legacy of Obama's Administration policy between 2009 and 2017 by x-raying some of the laid down ground-work and programmes for stronger ties and more importantly, for the future. The book dissects issues such as US-Africa Economic Relations, Africa Reform Programmes under Obama, US-Africa Leaders' Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA), Security, Counter-terrorism and Humanitarian Assistance towards Africa. The book is remarkable and robust contribution to the study of International Relations as it offers fresh perspectives on US-Africa Relations. The book will be of immense value to anyone who is interested in US-Africa's engagement.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847280>

The Letter Man: Inside the 'Secret' Letters of Former Nigerian President, Olusegun Obasanjo / Musikilu Mojeed
Abuja: Premium Times Books, 2022.
xxxiv, 466p.
Includes Index
9789787928745
\$ 150.00 / PB
618gm.

Book Details:

The Letterman: Inside the "Secret" Letters of former Nigerian President, Olusegun Obasanjo is a narrative non-fiction curating some of the most significant and historical letters written by former President Olusegun Obasanjo, which compellingly tell the story of his life, as defined by and defining of the story of his country, Nigeria and the larger African continent. This tour de force of historical writing situates Musikilu Mojeed as a witness and skilful raconteur who deftly manages to braid far-flung pieces into a magisterial whole that unveils the attitudes, worldview, relationships, emotional complexity and stewardship of this enigmatic global statesman through the correspondences he exchanged with others. This is a product of almost seven years of research spanning the time of Obasanjo as General Officer Commanding the Third Marine Commando and his wartime efforts, through his tenure as military head of state between 1976 and 1979, his continental liberation struggles and political activism from the 1970s to 1999, his civilian presidential term from 1999 to 2007, as well as his post-presidency era.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847281>

A Country That Failed When It Shouldn't: Forging a New Path for A Developed Nigeria / Scott Oritsejeminayin Igbene (SOI)
Nigeria: Scoale Publishing, 2022
124p.
Includes Bibliography
9789789964741
\$ 35.00 / HB
286gm.

If many Nigerians are given the option to leave the country today, a high percentage will take that option in less than a heartbeat. Sadly, many have given up on the nation as they keep asking themselves, and others, will Nigeria ever be great again? Will bad leadership ever come to an end? This remarkable and enlightening book provides in-depth answers to these rather provocative questions.

A Country That Failed When It Shouldn't (Forging a New Path for a Developed Nigeria) traces Nigeria's history to before it was amalgamated and unearths the reasons for the country's unification. It reveals the period our problems began as a nation, and cracks began to form in all sectors of the country. It traces those challenges and how they still exist today and ultimately proffers possible solutions to them.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847282>

Langbasa 1 & 2 (Part One): Poetic Cultural, Political History of Lagos People / Prof. S. J. Timothy-Asobele
2nd Edition
Lagos: Prof. S. J. Timothy-Asobele (Self-Published), 2022
xi, 340p.
9789787907801
\$ 30.00 / PB

350gm.

A cultural and historical work on the peoples of Lagos State.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847283>

A Century of the Communist Party of China: Why Africa Should Engage Its Experience / Charles Onunaiju

Nigeria: Charles Onunaiju (Self-Published), 2021

viii, 226p.

Includes Bibliography

9789789950423

\$ 50.00 / PB

348gm.

In a ground-breaking effort to explore the internal dynamics of, perhaps, the world's largest political party, the Communist Party of China (CPC), a renowned African scholar on China studies, Charles Onunaiju revealed the rare historical-cum philosophical insights into the Party and the secret behind its phenomenal rise on the world stage.

The 255-page book: "A Century of the Communist Party of China: Why Africa should engage its experience," chronicled the arduous journey of the China Communist Party and the mystery behind its success in eliminating extreme poverty amongst the 1.4 billion Chinese people, a feat that has sparked global debates.

The seven-chapter book, which is the first of its kind in recent time, offers deep perspectives from the continent about the Communist Party of China, and the need to apply theoretical interrogation to unravel the history and socio-cultural forces of any society. It no doubt, opens a new bank of ideas, particularly for African nations whose exposure and political orientation are largely shaped by the colonial legacies.

The book advises the African continent to turn its weakness into an advantage, by drawing inspiration from the formation of China's Communist Party which quickly "took advantage of the industrial backwardness of the country and its lack of sizeable proletariat, and proceeded to build a formidable and reliable army of peasantry and with steady revolutionary devotion and integrity, mobilize the national and petty bourgeoisie...to embark on socialist construction."

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Between the Deep Blue Sea and European Realities: A Study of African Migrants in Europe / Mike Omilusi

Ibadan: Swift Books (Swift Publishers), 2023

xx, 320p.

Includes Bibliography

9789785717167

\$ 50.00/ PB

436gm.

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"The Complex Phenomenon of Terrorism and Nigerian Foreign Policy" / Osita A. Agbu

Ogaba Danjuma Oche Memorial Lecture Series

Lagos: Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA), 2020

Maiden Edition

40p.

\$ 10.00 / PB

60gm.

Paper delivered at the 1st Memorial Lecture in honour of Professor Ogaba Oche, at the Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA), Lagos, 11 March 2020
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847286>

Fixing Nigeria for a Better World / His Excellency Dr Kayode Fayemi
Lagos: Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA), 2022
24p.
9789785590896
NIIA Lecture Series 2021
\$ 10.00 / PB
50gm.

On the occasion of the NIIA @ 60 Distinguished Lecture at the Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA), Lagos, Thursday, 9 December, 2021
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Towards A New World Order / A. Bolaji Akinyemi
Lagos: Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA), 2022
24p.
978978596026
NIIA Lecture Series 2022
\$ 10.00 / PB
52gm.

Being the 2022 Nigerian Institute of International Affairs Distinguished Lecture delivered on the Platform of The Nigerian Institute of International Affairs on October 20, 2022
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Contemporary Security Environment and National Development: Efforts of the Armed Forces of Nigeria / General Leo Irabor
Lagos: Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA), 2022
24p.
9789785960280
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50gm.
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Nigerian Government and Politics (A Study in Governance) / Ubani, Ezindu Onyenwe, Ehiodo, Chinenye Chukwuwukere & Nwaorgu, Omenihu Chiemela
Nigeria: Ubani, Ehiodo & Nwaorgu (Self-Published), 2007
286p.
Includes Index; Select Bibliography
9780646256
\$ 30.00 / PB
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Because We Care: Advancing the Frontiers of Governance / Olesegun Mimiko
Ibadan: Safari Books Ltd., 2022
xii, 204p.
9789785926958
\$ 60.00 / PB
318gm.

Because We Care: Advancing the Frontiers of Governance is a collection of speeches made by Olusegun Mimiko before, during and after his tenure as the Executive Governor of Ondo State. The speeches in this collection are important because they were delivered at major high points in the political life of the author. They represent the political ideologies of the author and offer insight into the Nigerian conundrum.

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Reckless Audacity: Covid-19 and the Deadly Display of Collective Foolhardiness / Yomi Akinfesoje
Lagos: Tryspect Solutions, 2021

368p.;

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558gm.

Recklessness in criminal law is said to be a deliberate and unjustifiable pursuit of a course of action while consciously ignoring any associating or consequent risk of such action; reckless audacity therefore can be said to be a foolhardy display of willingness to take unjustifiable risks in the midst of better alternatives. Although COVID-19 was lethal, nothing was more fatal than the recklessness on the part of the people and the ineptitude of leaders.

“Reckless Audacity” chronicles the events as they unfolded, the recklessness, misconception, audacious display of ignorance, the devastating consequences, and how to prevent the next pandemic. This book exposes the lack of sound judgement that can be equally displayed by people in the face of crippling crises irrespective of their societal positions or wherewithal, amongst the haves and have-nots. It speaks of how covid-19 has now beyond just an outbreak, become a metaphor for the failings of humanity in managing their lives (whether in crisis or not), caring for society, and pursuing a common global purpose.

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Becoming President of Nigeria: A Citizen’s Guide / Magnus Onyibe

Lagos: Inspire Media Services Limited, 2022

xxviii, 364p.

Includes Index

9789789925254

\$ 75.00 / HB

632gm.

This 12-chapter book chronicles the evolution of political leadership in Nigeria and outlines the turning points in the nation’s checkered political history. The ultimate mission of the book is to enlighten citizens on how to become president of Nigeria by highlighting the pre-requisites for ascending the exalted office....

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Pillars of Statecraft: Nation Building in a Changing World / Kofo Obasanjo-Blackshire

Abeokuta: Olusegun Obasanjo, Presidential Library Foundation, 2023

314p.

9789785955231

\$ 60.00 / PB

382gm.

In Pillars of Statecraft, Kofo Obasanjo-Blackshire presents a well-structured concept based on six foundational elements, as essential ingredients for successful state building. These concepts, Protection, Prosperity, Population, Politics, Partnership, and the double-barrelled P—prayer and

pleasing God present vital arguments that emphasise their importance as fundamental building blocks for excellence in statecraft and national development. The outcome is an engaging, accessible and compelling treatise on what comprises a successful nation state, providing many interesting insights into the causes of threats and problems to human security and well-being and possible resolutions to create a fairer and safer world for all. The sincerity and compassion of the author shines through what is at times a challenging read, given the turbulence of contemporary global politics.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847294>

The Jungle: A Personal Journey with the Enfant Terrible of Nigerian Journalism / David Hundeyin
London, UK: Abibiman Publishing, 2023
272p.
9781739267599
\$ 50.00 / PB
296gm.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847295>

Psychology

Africa Must Think: Little Ideas that Shape the Way We Think and Influence Our Choices / Adekeye Damilola (DOA)
Nigeria: Adekeye Damilola (DOA) (Self-Published), 2022
viii, 184p.
9787908140; 9789787908143
\$ 35.00 / PB
262gm.

Africa Must Think is a self-growth book majoring in reasoning. The difference is that it doesn't teach you how explicitly, instead, it makes you resonate with the ideology carefully posed as opinions and makes you want to work on yourself, and your manner of reasoning. Each chapter is well written with its ideology passed across. The use of words is simple for an average person to comprehend. Also, each chapter's ideology is easy to understand, and the use of instances and stories helped. The writer explains his ideologies not quite aggressively but by telling it as it is, with no sugar-coating. It's written mainly for young people who think in a controversial manner, making it easy to comprehend. It has an educative/instructive style of approach. It is engaging.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847296>

Be The Change: A Social Change Guide for Young Africans Who Desire to Transform Africa / Adeyemi Asaba
Nigeria: Adeyemi Asaba (Self-Published), 2022
160p.
9789789989652
\$ 30.00 / PB
208gm.

Be the Change takes on a practical approach to equipping youths for national transformation by highlighting the reality of African nations and how the dreams of younger generations can become a reality. It suggests a way forward by sharing stories of Changemakers across Africa who are deeply committed to leading change in their community by doing seemingly minor things that address the immediate needs around them.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847297>

Your Person in a World of People: Outwit, Outlive, and Get Transformed / Councillor Onyeama
Lagos: Philip Johnson Publishers, 2021
viii, 348p.
9789789911004
\$ 35.00 / PB
406gm.

YOUR PERSON IN A WORLD OF PEOPLE is about life, the world, people, winning and survival. It covers key issues that matter most in everyone's life. It presents to you the world and people exactly the way they are, the same way it helps you to transform into a more rational and strategic person. And to everyone who is constantly troubled by all the topsy-turviness that life brings, this book gives the needed sense of direction in a complex and highly competitive world. It is the only ammunition you've got.

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The Eagle In You / Femi Adesina
Revised & Enlarged Edition
Nigeria: Tenderfem Ventures Ltd, 2021
x, 134p.
9789785818291
\$ 25.00 / PB
170gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847299>

Silent Watchers / Dot Ikwerregirl Acheru
Nigeria: Talk2Dot (Self-Published), 2022
xiv, 194p.
9781739166632
\$ 40.00 / PB
252gm.

It all started as a very warm friendship that eventually ended in marriage; once those dotted lines were signed, I was trapped and nothing on earth would have prepared me for the turmoil I was to experience.

My ex-spouse's subtle unveiling as an abuser who thrived on control and subjection created a dark wanton aura in the home which I never understood as Domestic Violence.

This book is a non-chronological narrative which recounts the horrors of domestic violence/abuse and its adverse effects on children over and above the primary receiver: the partner. It proffers solutions on both how to cope when found in such situations, and how to eventually make a safe exit for the sake of the wellbeing of the children- THE SILENT WATCHERS.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847300>

Religion-Christianity

Time For Amendment of Life / Emeritus Bishop Matthew Oluremi Owadayo
Ibadan: Ibadan Diocesan Printing Press, 2022
xxvi, 190p.
9789784866200
\$ 35.00 / PB
418gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847301>

The Church and the Politics of Social Responsibility / Matthew Hassan Kukah
Lagos: Matthew Hassan Kukah (Self-Published), 2007 (3rd Print 2010)

310p.

9783508768

\$ 35.00 / PB

360gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847302>

Sociology

Classical Theorists in the Social Sciences: From Western Ideas to African Realities / (Eds) Dejo Abdulrahman, Ilufoye S. Ogundiya & Jimoh Amzat

Lagos: Malthouse Press Limited, 2021

xii, 408p.

9789785477566

\$ 50.00 / PB

1088gm.

The book should be of great interest to both undergraduate and postgraduate students in the social sciences [and]...certainly [to anyone] who desires an understanding of classical theoretical developments in, and evolution of the disciplines.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847303>

Gender, Women and Politics in African Society / Mike Omilusi

Ibadan: Swift Books (Swift Publishers), 2023

xvi, 292p.

Includes Index; Bibliography

9789785717150

\$ 45.00 / PB

398gm.

While many global conventions focus principally on increasing the number of women in parliaments and executive cabinets, attention has not been drawn to female presidency in Africa, and indeed, in other parts of the globe. Drawing extensively from secondary sources with the aid of descriptive and narrative tools, this essay explores the major issues and main debates on power tussle, gender and political empowerment, particularly within the peculiar context of the Nigerian political ecology. Influenced largely by the global feminist discourse and agenda in examining the current perspective in Africa, it also highlights the important role women have and can play in the democratisation process of the Nigerian society and brings to light some of the nation's peculiarities and of course, important strides in women emancipation in order to analyse how these can be explored towards achieving female presidency in Nigeria.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847304>

Studies in Media and Ideological Representation of Herders/Farmers Conflict in Nigeria / Gbenga Ibileye

Lagos: Malthouse Press Limited, 2022

xvi, 314p.

Includes Index

9789785961164

\$ 55.00 / PB

494gm.

This book features articles from a spectrum of perspectives that are considered of direct consequence for the discourse on the conflict between herders and farmers in Nigeria. These perspectives include those from the broad ambit of social sciences and, specifically, views from history and political science in order to provide a broad historical ground for the understanding of the century-old fissures between ethnic nationalities, which have burgeoned into contemporary conflicts and violence.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847305>

Travel Guidebooks/Travelogues

An African Abroad / Olabisi Ajala

Lagos: Masobe, 2023

xxii, 282p.

9789785943764

\$ 40.00 / PB

350gm.

When he's not breaking through security to shake the hands of Nikita Khrushchev, he is crashing his scooter through a border between Jordan and Israel in the then partitioned Jerusalem, amidst a hail of gunfire, escaping an assassination attempt in Jordan, or dodging the bullets of eager security agents around the Duke of Edinburgh in Sydney. When he's not trying 'African ju-ju' on pretty Russian girls, he's enjoying a tense audience with Golda Meir in Israel and hobnobbing with Fúnmiláyo Ransome-Kúti in Moscow. One-man daredevil-traveller, Mashood Qlábísí Àjàlá saw and did it all, and lived to tell the tale. Now back in print, for the first time since 1963, here are the travel tales of his trip around Europe, the Middle East, and Australia as told by the author himself, with a preface by Kọlá Túbọ̀sún and a foreword by Joane Àjàlá.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=847306>

9 Degrees North: Backpacking Stories Across Nigeria: Backpacking Stories Across Nigeria / Pelu Awofeso

Lagos: Homestead Media, 2020

224p.

9789789768745

\$ 40.00 / PB

258gm.

9 Degrees North is a collection of 25 travel stories by award-winning travel writer, Pelu Awofeso. Follow him as he traverses different locales across Nigeria — including landmarks of the Sokoto caliphate, the Biafra bunkers in Oron, the Ogunde Living History Museum in Ososa, and the lush surroundings of the Lekki Conservation Centre. The collection also includes Awofeso's experiences covering the now-rested Abuja Carnival as well as the coronation of the current Oba of Benin.

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