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Piano Lessons Noah Adams,1997-03-10 Piano Lessons is Noah Adams s delightful and moving chronicle of his fifty second year a year already filled with long fast workdays and too little spare time as he answers at last a lifelong call to learn to play the piano The twelve monthly chapters span from January when after decades of growing affection for keyboard artists and artisans he finally plunges in and buys a piano through December when as a surprise Christmas present for his wife he dresses in a tuxedo and in flickering candlelight snow falling outside the windows he attempts their favorite piece of music a difficult third year composition he s been struggling with in secret to get to this very moment Among the up tempo triumphs and unexpected setbacks Noah Adams interweaves the rich history and folklore that surround the piano And along the way set between the ragtime rhythms and boogie woogie beats there are encounters with and insights from masters of the keyboard from Glenn Gould and Leon Fleisher I was a bit embarrassed he writes telling Leon Fleisher about my ambitions for piano lessons is like telling Julia Child about plans to make toast in the morning to Dr John and Tori Amos As a storyteller Noah Adams has perfect pitch In the foreground here like a familiar melody are the challenges of learning a complex new skill as an adult when enthusiasm meets the necessary repetition of tedious scales at the end of a twelve hour workday Lingering in the background like a subtle bass line are the quiet concerns of how we spend our time and how our priorities shift as we proceed through life For Piano Lessons is really an adventure story filled with obstacles to overcome and grand leaps forward eccentric geniuses and quiet moments of pre dawn practice as Noah Adams travels across country and keyboard pursuing his dream and keeping the rhythm

Nothing with Strings Bailey White,2008-10-28 For more than a decade Bailey White has delivered a story each Thanksgiving to National Public Radio s All Things Considered listeners Long awaited by her many fans Nothing with Strings is the entire collection of these Thanksgiving stories published together for the first time With wit and charm Bailey White writes about an almost gone little town where a spoon player is a guardian angel an old woman fears that John James Audubon is living in her attic and a homely governess wins a baby bull in a raffle and loses her heart It s the kind of place where Heavenly Blue morning glories grow in through the windows of old houses and funeral food is shared on a Greyhound bus on a fall afternoon You may not have ever been there but you will feel right at home in these pages Bailey White s beautifully written stories teetering on the edge of the unreal are sure to bring back memories you don t really have

Poor Man's Provence Rheta Grimsley Johnson,2008-09-01 For over a decade

syndicated columnist Rheta Grimsley Johnson has been spending several months a year in Southwest Louisiana deep in the heart of Cajun Country Unlike many other writers who have parachuted into the swampy paradise for a few days or weeks Rheta fell in love with the place bought a second home and set in planting doomed azaleas and deep roots She has found an assortment of beautiful people in a homely little town called Henderson right on the edge of the Atchafalaya Swamp These days much is labeled Cajun that is not and the popularity of the unique culture's food songs and dance has been a mixed blessing The revival of French Louisiana's traditional music and cuisine often has been cheapened by counterfeits Confused pilgrims sometimes look to New Orleans for a sampler platter of all things Cajun Close but no cigar Poor Man's Provence helps define what's what through lively characters and stories The book is both personal odyssey and good reporting travelogue and memoir funny and frank This beguiling place is as exotic as it gets without a passport The author shares what keeps her coming home to French Louisiana And as NPR commentator Bailey White observes in her foreword Both Rheta's readers and the people she writes about will be comfortable well fed highly entertained and happy they came to Poor Man's Provence

Of Women and the Essay Elizabeth Bowen, Frances Brooke, Margaret Cavendish, Lydia Maria Child, Frances Power Cobbe, Judith Ortiz Cofer, Elizabeth David, Joan Didion, Annie Dillard, Jenny Diski, Gretel Ehrlich, Anne Fadiman, Fanny Fern, M. F. K. Fisher, Margaret Fuller, Katharine Fullerton Gerould, Grace Greenwood, Louise Imogen Guiney, Gail Hamilton, Elizabeth Hardwick, Eliza Haywood, Linda Hogan, Zora Neale Hurston, Jamaica Kincaid, Vernon Lee, Charlotte Lennox, Eliza Lynn Linton, Harriet Martineau, Alice Meynell, Mary Russell Mitford, Lady Mary Wortley Montagu, Kyoko Mori, Elisabeth Woodbridge Morris, Gertrude Bustill Mossell, Judith Sargent Murray, Joyce Carol Oates, Cynthia Ozick, Hester Lynch Thrale Piozzi, Ann Plato, Agnes Repplier, Susan Sontag, Sara Suleri, Alice Walker, Rebecca West, Virginia Woolf, Zitkala-Sa, 2018-11-15

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