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Visit our new bookshop
inside **THE HANGOUT**
2122 E. 4th Street, Long Beach CA
(Tuesday to Sunday 11AM to 7PM)

A New (Sub)Lease on Life!

November 2019

To Saying Yes + Digging Deep

Greetings!

What an amazing turn of events at Bel Canto Books HQ (i.e. my writing closet/office)!

Next week, we'll start to move into our new bookshop space at **THE HANGOUT** (2122 E. 4th Street, Long Beach CA 90814 in case you want to stop in and check on the progress).

We're also doing our largest pop-up bookstore at the Wonder Women Tech conference on November 7th-8th with 3,000 estimated attendees!



Photo: Rosie says "We Can Do It!" (even if we don't sleep for 168 hours next week).

You'll continue to see us at the Downtown Long Beach Farmer's Market this Friday 11/1 and Friday 11/15. And starting in December, we'll host author events, storytime and bookclub meetings at the store!

Our November focus is on NaNoWriMo, National Novel Writing Month, with three Lunchtime Write-in sessions on 11/6, 11/13, and 11/20. In store, we'll have a selection of our favorite novels and books about writing, as well as our favorite nonfiction books for #nonfictionnovember.

We hope to see you soon. Until next time, read on!

Jhoanna
Avowed Booknerd and Owner/Manager
Bel Canto Books

Upcoming Events - Bring a Friend!

Join Bel Canto Books as We Pop Up All Over Town!

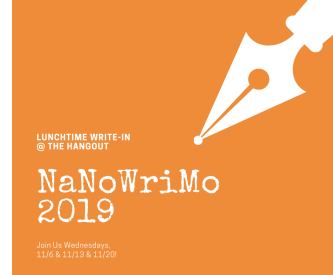


JOIN US

**COFFEE +
BOOKS =
HAPPY
PLACE**

A Scandinavian coffee tasting,
discussion, and a bookstore.
Nov 2 | 11AM The Hangout

Bel Canto Books
Christy Krumm Richard
Long Beach Coffee Club



**1st + 3rd Fridays
11.01 and 11.15
10AM to 2PM**

**Pop-Up Bookstore
at DTLB Farmer's
Market**

3rd and Promenade,
Long Beach CA

Plenty of free parking!

**11.02.19 Saturday
11AM to 1PM**

**Coffee + Books =
Happy Place
at THE HANGOUT**

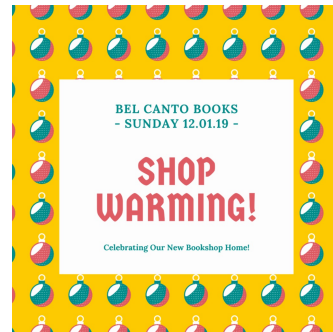
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Scandinavian coffee
tasting + book
discussion \$10pp

**Wednesdays
11.06, 11.13 + 11.20
12PM to 1PM
NaNoWriMo
Lunchtime Write-in
at THE HANGOUT**

2122 E. 4th Street,
Long Beach CA

Free drop-in writing
group!



**11.17.19 Sunday
3PM to 5PM
"Friends with Books"
Book Club at
THE HANGOUT**

2122 E. 4th Street,
Long Beach CA

Includes a
handpicked book &
light refreshments!
\$35pp

**11.30.19 Saturday
11AM to 7PM**

**Small Business
Saturday at THE
HANGOUT**

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Long Beach CA

Kick off the
#mindfulgifts season
with us!

**12.01.19 Sunday
11AM to 7PM**

**Shopwarming
Celebration
at THE HANGOUT**

Join us as we
celebrate our new
bookshop home
with storytime, artist
talks, craft time and
more!

[Sign Up for 11/17 Bookclub!](#)

October Reading Recap

Seven Wide-Ranging Stories

We're now at 73 books read this

year, with some really beautiful and astounding new releases this month.

During our travels in October, we geeked out at the Brookline Booksmith where we got to see Leslie Jamison (of *Make It Scream, Make It Burn*) in conversation with Alex Marzano-Lesnevitch (of *The Fact of a Body*). And got our books signed!!!

You can follow me on Goodreads (@thatjhoanna). Our October reads were:

October Reads

- *Dear America* by Jose Antonio Vargas (a powerful #undocumented memoir)
- *Make It Scream, Make It Burn* by Leslie Jamison (more beautifully written *Empathy Exams*)
- *The Other Americans* by Laila Lalami (a National Book Award finalist for Fiction and **our pick for fiction book of the month!**)
- *The Farm* by Joanne Ramos (a riveting novel about commercial surrogacy)

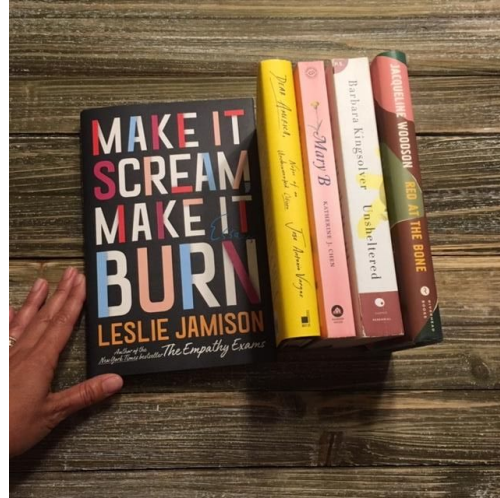


Photo: Writers in conversation, Alex Marzano-Lesnevitch and Leslie Jamison, at the Brookline Booksmith

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- *Mary B* by Katherine J. Chen (a reimagining of Mary Bennett's story from *Pride and Prejudice*)
- *How We Fight For Our Lives* by Saeed Jones (a wrenching LGBTQ memoir and **our pick for nonfiction book of the month!**)
- *Red at the Bone* by Jacqueline Woodson (a new novel by bestselling YA and children's book author Woodson)

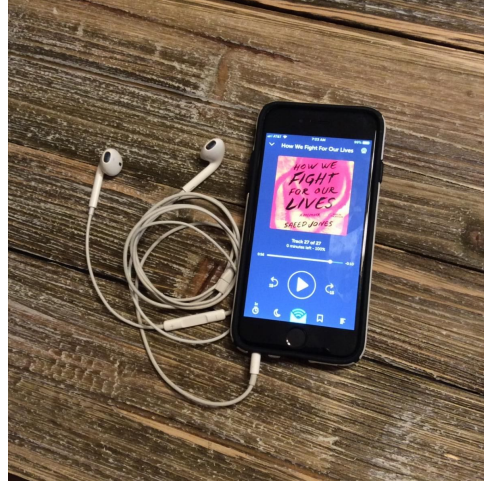
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Our Audiobook Pick for October is *How We Fight For Our Lives*, Saeed Jones' powerful new memoir about "the power and hurt of growing up Black and gay" in America (NY Times).

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