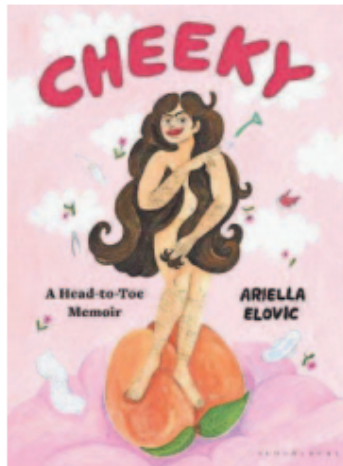


'Cheeky' memoirs and chilly thrillers fill your reading list

In search of something good to read? USA TODAY's **Barbara VanDenburgh** scopes out the shelves for this week's hottest new book releases.



1. "Cheeky: A Head-to-Toe Memoir"

by Ariella Elovic (Bloomsbury, nonfiction, on sale Tuesday)

What it's about: This colorful graphic memoir from feminist author and illustrator Elovic celebrates her body in all its perfectly imperfect glory, inspiring readers to embrace their own.

The buzz: Kirkus Reviews calls it an "entertaining, jubilantly body-positive memoir."

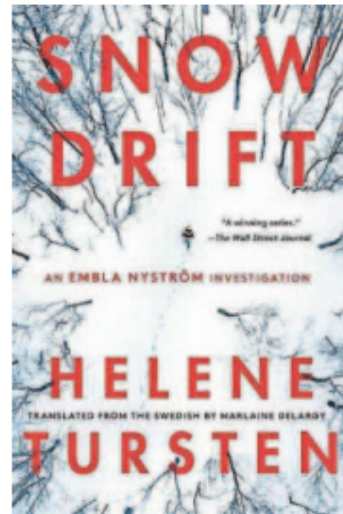


2. "Crosshairs"

by Catherine Hernandez (Atria, fiction, on sale Tuesday)

What it's about: In a dystopian near-future plagued by environmental devastation and homelessness, a fascistic government regime puts those deemed "Other" into concentration camps.

The buzz: "Hernandez is a talent undeniable. She's an evocative, vibrant writer whose voice and point of view are an exciting addition to the literary landscape," says a review for USA TODAY.



3. "Snowdrift"

by Helene Tursten; translated by Marlaïne Delargy (Soho Crime, fiction, on sale Tuesday)

What it's about: Swedish Detective Inspector Embla Nyström gets a lead in a cold case that has long haunted her, and she may finally learn the truth about her best friend's disappearance – if it doesn't kill her first.

The buzz: "This stunning page-turner is unarguably the best in the series," says a starred review in Publishers Weekly.



4. "Blowing My Way to the Top: How to Break the Rules, Find Your Purpose and Create the Life and Career You Deserve"

by Jen Atkin (Harper Wave, nonfiction, on sale Tuesday)

What it's about: The celebrity hairstylist makes her debut with a spirited guide building one's life and career in a book that's a blend of inspirational memoir and sound business advice.

The buzz: "This spirited account will nudge any reader of self-help toward following their dreams," says Publishers Weekly.



5. "Take It Back"

by Kia Abdullah (St. Martin's Press, fiction, on sale Tuesday)

What it's about: Sex, race and social justice collide in this twisting courtroom thriller about a 16-year-old girl who accuses four male classmates of an unthinkable crime.

The buzz: A starred review in Publishers Weekly calls it a "riveting, thought-provoking legal thriller" and says "Abdullah is definitely a writer to watch."