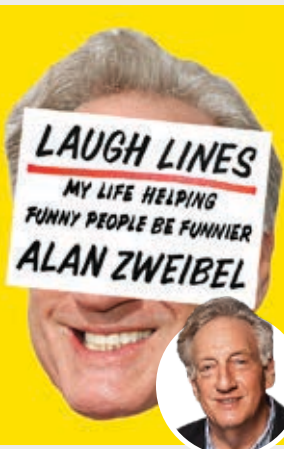




## The Best New Books

A heartwarming novel about second chances, a comedy writer's memories and Gothic goings-on in the Italian Alps

Edited by **KIM HUBBARD**



**Alan Zweibel**  
*Laugh Lines*  
MEMOIR

You may not know Zweibel's name, but you've likely laughed at his *SNL* sketches for Gilda and Belushi or his meta *It's Garry Shandling's Show*. In this jokey retrospective, he drops bons mots like bonbons about Billy Crystal, Farrah Fawcett, Woody Allen and more. It's medicine we can all use right now.



**Danielle Trussoni**  
*The Ancestor*  
NOVEL

Bert Monte's bleak life in upstate New York is transformed when she learns she's an heiress and gets whisked off to a castle in the Italian Alps. But dreamy fantasy turns into Gothic horror as she begins to uncover dark secrets involving monsters, myths and genetics. Inventive and entertaining.

**book of the week**

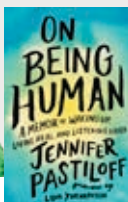
**Brooke Fossey**  
*The Big Finish*  
NOVEL

Duffy and Carl are roommates and pals at their assisted-living facility, but each has a secret: Carl abandoned an infant daughter, Duffy's a recovering alcoholic. When a boozy-breathed girl climbs through their window and announces she's Carl's grandchild and needs a place to crash, the men are shocked. As they hide her from management (and her bad-news beau), Carl seeks to make amends while Duffy nudges her toward sobriety. It's never too late for a do-over in this funny, winning debut.

## Star Picks: Quarantine Reading

**Maria Bello**

*On Being Human* by Jen Pastiloff "A memoir of pure love. When Jen says, 'I got you,' she's also saying we've all got each other. In this pandemic that message is a gift."



**Jamie Lee Curtis**

*The Heart's Invisible Furies* by John Boyne "A novel of familial tension, tragedy and triumph. A family that's relatable and mysterious. Sort of like all of ours. And love at the center."



**Chrissy Metz**

*Untamed* by Glennon Doyle "Glennon allows you to be messy, be weird and love yourself through it all. We're reading it in our little quarantine book club."

