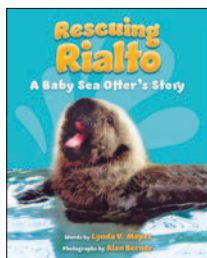


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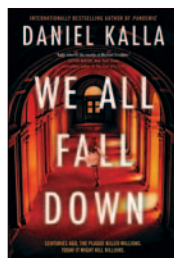
Before boarding your next plane, train or automobile, stop by a local bookstore (page 79) to pick up one of these recent releases.—*Sheri Radford*



Rescuing Rialto: A Baby Sea Otter's Story by Lynda V. Mapes (Roaring Brook Press): Fuzzy-faced Rialto has been enchanting folks from around the world ever since he was rescued as a tiny, sickly pup back in 2016. This new picture book, which documents his recovery, is filled with photos that solidify his reputation as the world's cutest sea otter. To see Rialto in real life, frolicking with his equally fuzzy-faced friends, visit the Vancouver Aquarium (page 98).



Death Threat by Vivek Shraya (Arsenal Pulp Press): In 2017 a stranger began harassing Shraya, a Canadian poet and musician, by sending her trans-phobic hate mail online. Using satire and surrealism, this comic book brings to life the vitriolic letters and Shraya's responses to them, showing her emotional turmoil and ultimate bravery. The book was illustrated by Ness Lee, who makes an appearance this month at the Vancouver Comic Arts Festival (page 92).



We All Fall Down by Daniel Kalla (Simon & Schuster): As an emergency room doctor in Vancouver, Kalla knows a thing or two about disease. His earlier thrillers explored topics such as superbugs and DNA evidence. In his latest page-turner, an infectious-diseases expert is summoned to examine a patient. The diagnosis? Black Plague, possibly the result of bioterrorism. It's a riveting race against the clock to discover the truth and prevent millions of deaths.

LEONE Celebrating 32 years of international designer fashions, shoes and accessories. Collections include: Dior, Prada, Alexander McQueen, Miu Miu, Armani, Ralph & Russo, Brunello Cucinelli, Valentino, Philipp Plein, along with an instore Versace Boutique. Centrally located, steps from the Canada Place cruise-ship terminal. Sinclair Centre, 757 W. Hastings St. 604-683-1133. **www.leone.ca** & **Map 1: B6**

LOUIS VUITTON MAISON This two-storey boutique is the largest Louis Vuitton store in Canada. Features

a showstopping handbag wall, and carries the entire line of products, from leather goods to apparel for men and women. Fairmont Hotel Vancouver, 730 Burrard St. 604-687-4644. **www.louisvuitton.com** & **Map 1: B4**

ROOTS CANADA A phenomenon since 1973, this Canuck company offers rugged, casual clothing and accessories for the family, such as leather jackets, bags, footwear, outerwear and athletic wear. In most major malls. On-site product customization at Pacific Centre location. Pacific Centre,

701 W. Georgia St. 604-235-9828. & **Map 1: C5** 1001 Robson St. 604-683-4305. & **Map 1: C5** 1153 Robson St. 604-684-8801. & **Map 1: C5** 2665 Granville St. 604-629-1300. & **Map 4: D3** 2091 W. 4th Ave. 604-629-1195. **www.roots.com** & **Map 4: D3**

SNOWFLAKE Bright Canadian-owned boutique carries sophisticated fur, leather, outerwear and accessories. Excellent selection of capes and shawls, too. 1135 W. Georgia St. 604-681-9322. **www.snowflakecanada.com** & **Map 1: B5**



ACCENT PIECE The Earring Show takes over Craft Council (page 108) from 3 to 6 p.m. on May 5, displaying—and selling—gorgeous wearable art by designers from across North America.