

Brooks Books Buzz...

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Fiction:

Benjamin, Melanie, [Alice I have been](#), New York : Delacorte Press, 2010. The imagined life of Alice Liddell of *Alice in Wonderland*, to join this year's re-discovery of the classic by Lewis Carroll, along with Tim Burton's film adaptation (two very different explorations).

Chevalier, Tracy, [Remarkable creatures](#), New York : Dutton, 2010. Two young Victorian women find friendship and fossils on the London coast.

Dee, Jonathan, [The privileges: a novel](#), New York : Random House, 2010. An exploration of the impact of hedge fund work and greed on a family, a timely piece of fiction.

Morgenroth, Kate, [Through the heart](#), New York : Plume, 2010. Literary writing pulls together this intense, modern love story and murder mystery - something for everyone!

Shepard, Sam, [Day out of days: Stories](#), New York : Alfred A. Knopf, 2010. Playwright, writer, and actor Shepard writes a third collection of brief vignettes of American life and relationships.

NonFiction:

Swift, Vivian, [When wanderers cease to roam : a traveler's journal of staying put](#), New York : Bloomsbury, 2008. A perfect book for these cash strapped times, a beautifully illustrated journey of staying at home.

East, Elyssa, [Dogtown : death and enchantment in a New England ghost town](#), New York : Free Press, 2009. The author explores the long-deserted colonial village of Gloucester, Massachusetts's Dogtown, which became a haven for former slaves, prostitutes and witches, and then the site of a gruesome murder.

Obama, George Hussein, [Homeland : an extraordinary story of hope and survival](#), with Damien Lewis, New York : Simon & Schuster, 2010. The author is President Obama's Kenyan half-brother and presents a view from his Kenyan, community activist life of his powerful brother and his own dedication to the poor of his country.

Denizet-Lewis, Benoit, [American voyeur : dispatches from the far reaches of modern life](#), New York : Simon & Schuster, 2010. Collected articles by the "New York Times" journalist on the subjects of modern love, sex, and romance.

Love, Susan, [Live a little! : breaking the rules won't break your health](#), with Alice D. Domar and Leigh Ann Hirschman, New York : Crown, c2009. Tired of all those book of MUST DOs for healthy living? A surgeon and a psychologist team up to tell us all to "live a little" and don't take the rules too seriously.