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**A House of My Own** by Sandra Cisneros (BIOG CISNEROS, S.)

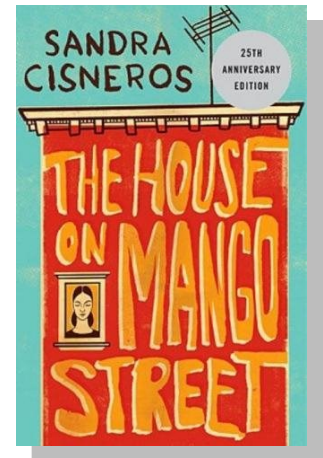
**The House on Mango Street** by Sandra Cisneros (FIC CISNEROS, S.)

Sandra Cisneros was born in Chicago, IL in 1954. She writes many novels and short stories about issues in race, class, and gender discrimination. She writes about the struggles of many different cultures coming to America. Her most famous book, *The House On Mango Street*, was about a young Latina girl who grows up in Chicago.

**Paddle Your Own Canoe** by Nick Offerman (BIOG OFFERMAN, N.)

**Gumption** by Nick Offerman (817 OFF)

Nick Offerman was born in Joliet, Illinois in 1970. Offerman studied acting, and moved to Chicago, Illinois to further his career. He made it big when he starred in *Parks and Recreation*, and he began his writing. Offerman is most famous for his biographies on his life about being different. He explains how he is an actor, a family man, an author, and a woodworker.

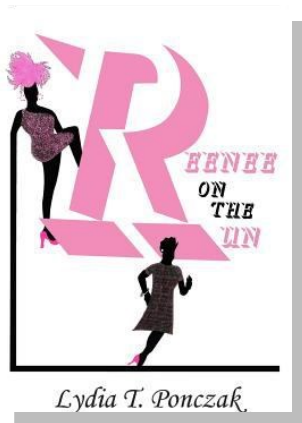


**Reenee on the Run** by Lydia Ponczak (MYST PONCZAK, L.)

Lydia Ponczak is a resident of Oak Forest, IL. Ponczak was a elementary school teacher for the Chicago District Schools, and is now in her retirement. After retirement, most people don't do a lot of work, and like to relax more. Ponczak, however, pushed herself, and became a well accomplished author, and she directs and hosts a community television show.

**Some Came Running** by James Jones (AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD)

James Jones was born in Robinson, IL, in 1921. Jones entered the United States Army, and was wounded in Guadalcanal. He then went back to Robinson, Illinois, and began writing books. Jones is Primarily know for his nonfiction books about the effects that WW2 has on a singles soldier. Jones died on May 9, 1977, but left his legendary stories behind him.



**Breakdown** by Sara Paretsky (MYST PARETSKY, S.)

**Hardball** by Sara Paretsky (MYST PARETSKY, S.)

**Deadlock** by Sara Paretsky (AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD)

**Blacklist** by Sara Paretsky (MYST PARETSKY, S.)

Sara Paretsky was born in Iowa, and moved to Southern Chicago as a child. Paretsky then did a lot of charity work, like mentoring troubled teenagers, caring for the mentally ill homeless, and working with literacy and reproductive rights groups. She attended the University of Chicago, and obtained a PH.D in History, and later received a MBA in business. Paretsky mostly writes crime novels that take place in downtown Chicago.

