

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics

LiveVibrant Wellness and Aesthetics: Your Journey to a Thriving You

Are you ready to unlock your inner radiance and embrace a life filled with vibrant health and stunning aesthetics? At LiveVibrant, we believe that true beauty comes from within – a harmonious blend of physical well-being, mental clarity, and a deep sense of self-love. This comprehensive guide dives deep into the world of LiveVibrant wellness and aesthetics, offering practical tips, expert insights, and a holistic approach to help you achieve your ultimate wellness goals. We'll explore everything from nurturing your inner self to enhancing your outer glow, empowering you to take control of your health and beauty journey.

Understanding the LiveVibrant Philosophy: More Than Just Skin Deep

The LiveVibrant philosophy centers on the interconnectedness of mind, body, and spirit. It's not just about achieving a flawless complexion or a sculpted physique; it's about cultivating a holistic lifestyle that supports your overall well-being. We believe that true beauty radiates from within, reflecting a life of balance, self-care, and mindful choices. This means addressing the root causes of imbalances rather than merely masking symptoms. LiveVibrant empowers you to take a proactive approach to your health, focusing on prevention and sustainable practices for long-term vitality.

Nourishing Your Inner Radiance: The Foundation of Wellness

Before we delve into aesthetics, let's build a strong foundation: inner wellness. This is the cornerstone of the LiveVibrant approach. What does this look like in practice?

Mindful Nutrition: Focusing on whole, unprocessed foods rich in vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants fuels your body from the inside out. Think vibrant fruits and vegetables, lean proteins, and healthy fats. Eliminating processed foods, sugary drinks, and excessive caffeine can significantly improve your skin, energy levels, and overall well-being.

Prioritizing Sleep: Sleep is not a luxury; it's a necessity. Aim for 7-9 hours of quality sleep each night. A well-rested body is better equipped to repair itself, boosting your immune system and promoting healthy skin.

Stress Management: Chronic stress takes a toll on your body, manifesting in skin problems, fatigue, and weakened immunity. Incorporate stress-reducing techniques such as meditation, yoga, deep breathing exercises, or spending time in nature.

Hydration is Key: Water is essential for countless bodily functions, including detoxification and nutrient transport. Aim for at least eight glasses of water daily.

Regular Exercise: Physical activity boosts circulation, improves mood, and contributes to overall health and fitness. Find activities you enjoy, whether it's dancing, hiking, swimming, or weight training.

Enhancing Your Outer Glow: Aesthetic Treatments and Practices

While inner wellness forms the base, we also acknowledge the importance of aesthetic enhancements. At LiveVibrant, we offer a range of services designed to complement your healthy lifestyle choices and help you achieve your desired look. These include (but are not limited to):

Advanced Skincare Treatments: From facials tailored to your skin type to chemical peels and microdermabrasion, we offer treatments designed to rejuvenate your complexion, reduce wrinkles, and improve skin texture.

Body Contouring: We utilize non-invasive techniques to help sculpt and tone your body, addressing areas of concern with personalized treatments.

Non-Surgical Procedures: We offer a range of non-surgical procedures, focusing on natural-looking results that enhance your features without extensive downtime.

Personalized Consultations: Every individual is unique, and our consultations are designed to help you understand your specific needs and develop a tailored plan to achieve your aesthetic goals.

Creating a Sustainable LiveVibrant Lifestyle

The key to lasting results is creating sustainable habits. It's not about quick fixes but about making conscious choices that support your overall well-being. Think of it as a journey, not a destination. Embrace the process, celebrate your progress, and be kind to yourself along the way. Remember that consistency is key to achieving and maintaining a LiveVibrant lifestyle.

Conclusion

Embracing the LiveVibrant philosophy is about integrating wellness and aesthetics into a holistic lifestyle. By nurturing your inner self and enhancing your outer glow, you can unlock your full potential and radiate confidence and vitality. Remember, the journey to a thriving you is a personal one, and we're here to guide you every step of the way. Contact us today to learn more about how LiveVibrant can help you achieve your wellness and aesthetic goals.

FAQs

1. What makes LiveVibrant different from other wellness and aesthetics centers? LiveVibrant emphasizes a holistic approach, focusing on the interconnectedness of mind, body, and spirit. We prioritize personalized plans and sustainable lifestyle changes, rather than quick fixes.

1. Are the aesthetic treatments painful? Most of our treatments are minimally invasive and designed to be comfortable. We will discuss any potential discomfort during your consultation.

1. How long will it take to see results? The timeline for results varies depending on the treatment and individual factors. We will provide realistic expectations during your consultation.

1. What is the cost of the services offered at LiveVibrant? Our pricing varies depending on the specific treatment and your individual needs. A detailed pricing list is available on our website or upon request.

1. Do you offer payment plans? We understand that investing in your well-being can be a significant commitment. We may offer flexible payment options - please inquire during your consultation to learn about available plans.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: PreDictionary Mikhail Epstein, 2011

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Predictionary* Mikhail Epstein, 2011 Literary Nonfiction. Poetry. PREDICTIONARY is about blank spaces in language and culture and their formative role in conceptual and artistic creativity. It is a dictionary of would-be words that are designed to fill gaps in language and generate new concepts and meanings. Focused on the creative potential of a neologism and a dictionary entry, this book is dedicated to both poetry and poetics. There is a great deal of joy in this project, and playfulness that is rarely encountered in contemporary thinkers.... One of the motives of this project is to find a language for what our systems of meaning exclude or render unimaginable. Mary Cappello, Professor of English, University of Rhode Island

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Upriver* Michael F. Brown, 2014-09-15 In this remarkable story of one man's encounter with an indigenous people of Peru, Michael Brown guides his readers upriver into a contested zone of the Amazonian frontier, where more than 50,000 Awajún—renowned for their pugnacity and fierce independence—remain determined, against long odds, to live life on their own terms. When Brown took up residence with the Awajún in 1976, he knew little about them other than their ancestors' reputation as fearsome headhunters. The fledgling anthropologist was immediately impressed by his hosts' vivacity and resourcefulness. But eventually his investigations led him into darker corners of a world where murderous vendettas, fear of sorcery, and a shocking incidence of suicide were still common. Peru's Shining Path insurgency in the 1980s forced Brown to refocus his work elsewhere. Revisiting his field notes decades later, now with an older man's understanding of life's fragility, Brown saw a different story: a tribal society trying, and sometimes failing, to maintain order in the face of an expanding capitalist frontier. Curious about how the Awajún were faring, Brown returned to the site in 2012, where he found a people whose combative self-confidence had led them to the forefront of South America's struggle for indigenous rights. Written with insight, sensitivity, and humor, *Upriver* paints a vivid picture of a rapidly growing population that is refashioning its warrior tradition for the twenty-first century. Embracing literacy and digital technology, the Awajún are using hard-won political savvy to defend their

rainforest home and right of self-determination.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: From 50 to Fabulous Barbara Hyatte Boustead, 2020-12-12 This book is about navigating and embracing the challenges that women, especially Black women, often experience in midlife. From 50 to Fabulous encourages women to take time to Reflect, Reconnect, and Redirect their energies into creating a life full of joy and purpose. As Black women, if we don't take care of ourselves physically, emotionally, mentally, spiritually, and financially, then our community and ultimately our world suffers. Readers will walk away from this book with 1) a deeper appreciation and gratitude for the life they are living, 2) an understanding that they are part of the collective power of Black women, and 3) a greater awareness of their importance and self-worth. Barbara Boustead was born and raised in Rockford, IL and attended George Williams College where she received her Masters degree in Social Work in 1975. She launched Mary's Daughter, a business named after her mother who encouraged and supported Barbara to achieve her goal of starting a business to help seniors and veterans with their finances. Barbara and her husband, Bo currently reside in Madison WI. Their blended family includes their dog, 4 adult children who live in WI, OH, NY, and MN, a daughter in law, son in law and grandson.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: Undo It! Dean Ornish, M.D., Anne Ornish, 2022-01-04 NATIONAL BESTSELLER • By the pioneer of lifestyle medicine, a simple, scientifically program proven to often reverse the progression of the most common and costly chronic diseases and even begin reversing aging at a cellular level! Long rated “#1 for Heart Health” by U.S. News & World Report, Dr. Ornish’s Program is now covered by Medicare when offered virtually at home. Dean Ornish, M.D., has directed revolutionary research proving, for the first time, that lifestyle changes can often reverse—undo!—the progression of many of the most common and costly chronic diseases and even begin reversing aging at a cellular level. Medicare and many insurance companies now cover Dr. Ornish’s lifestyle medicine program for reversing chronic disease because it consistently achieves bigger changes in lifestyle, better clinical outcomes, larger cost savings, and greater adherence than have ever been reported—based on forty years of research published in the leading peer-reviewed medical and scientific journals. Now, in this landmark book, he and Anne Ornish present a simple yet powerful new unifying theory explaining why these same lifestyle changes can reverse so many different chronic diseases and how quickly these benefits occur. They describe what it is, why it works, and how you can do it: • Eat well: a whole foods, plant-based diet naturally low in fat and sugar and high in flavor. The “Ornish diet” has been rated “#1 for Heart Health” by U.S. News & World Report for eleven years since 2011. • Move more: moderate exercise such as walking • Stress less: including meditation and gentle yoga practices • Love more: how love and intimacy transform loneliness into healing With seventy recipes, easy-to-follow meal plans, tips for stocking your kitchen and eating out, recommended exercises, stress-reduction advice, and inspiring patient stories of life-transforming benefits—for example, several people improved so much after only nine weeks they were able to avoid a heart transplant—Undo It! empowers readers with new hope and new choices. Praise for Undo It! “The Ornishes’ work is elegant and simple and deserving of a Nobel Prize, since it can change the world!”—Richard Carmona, M.D., MPH, FACS, seventeenth Surgeon General of the United States “If you want to see what medicine will be like ten years from now, read this book today.”—Rita F. Redberg, M.D., editor in chief, JAMA Internal Medicine “This is one of the most important books on health ever written.”—John Mackey, CEO, Whole Foods Market

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livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: Remediation in Medical Education Adina Kalet,

Calvin L. Chou, 2013-11-26 Remediation in medical education is the act of facilitating a correction for trainees who started out on the journey toward becoming excellent physicians but have moved off course. This book offers an evidence-based and practical approach to the identification and remediation of medical trainees who are unable to perform to standards. As assessment of clinical competence and professionalism has become more sophisticated and ubiquitous, medical educators increasingly face the challenge of implementing effective and respectful means to work with trainees who do not yet meet expectations of the profession and society. Remediation in Medical Education: A Mid-Course Correction describes practical stepwise approaches to remediate struggling learners in fundamental medical competencies; discusses methods used to define competencies and the science underlying the fundamental shift in the delivery and assessment of medical education; explores themes that provide context for remediation, including professional identity formation and moral reasoning, verbal and nonverbal learning disabilities, attention deficit disorders in high-functioning individuals, diversity, and educational and psychiatric topics; and reviews system issues involved in remediation, including policy and leadership challenges and faculty development.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: Educating Physicians Molly Cooke, David M. Irby, Bridget C. O'Brien, 2010-05-05 PRAISE FOR EDUCATING PHYSICIANS Educating Physicians provides a masterful analysis of undergraduate and graduate medical education in the United States today. It represents a major educational document, based firmly on educational psychology, learning theory, empirical studies, and careful personal observations of many individual programs. It also recognizes the importance of financing, regulation, and institutional culture on the learning environment, which suffuses its recommendations for reform with cogency and power. Most important, like Abraham Flexner's classic study a century ago, the report recognizes that medical education and practice, at their core, are profoundly moral enterprises. This is a landmark volume that merits attention from anyone even peripherally involved with medical education. —Kenneth M. Ludmerer, author, Time to Heal: American Medical Education from the Turn of the Century to the Era of Managed Care This is a very important book that comes at a critical time in our nation's history. We will not have enduring health care reform in this country unless we rethink our medical education paradigms. This book is a call to arms for doing just that. —George E. Thibault, president, Josiah Macy, Jr. Foundation The authors provide us with the evidence-based model for physician education with associated changes in infrastructure, policy, and our roles as educators. Whether you agree or not with their conclusions, if you are a teacher this book is a must-read as it will frame both what and how we discuss medical education throughout the current century. —Deborah Simpson, associate dean for educational support and evaluation, Medical College of Wisconsin A provocative book that provides us with a creative vision for medical education. Using in-depth case studies of innovative educational practices illustrating what is actually possible, the authors provide sage advice for transforming medical education on the basis of learning theories and educational research. —Judith L. Bowen, professor of medicine, Oregon Health & Science University

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: The Longevity Diet Valter Longo, 2018-02-08 Live healthier for longer with the international bestselling guide that will change your life 'The diet that holds the key to staying young . . . Dr Valter Longo is now considered one of the most influential voices in the 'fasting movement' The Times 'Dr Valter Longo is one of the real scientific pioneers when it comes to researching the impact of food on health' Dr Michael Mosley, bestselling author of The Fast Diet and The Clever Guts Diet _____ This is the clinically tested, revolutionary and straightforward diet to help you slow-down ageing, fight disease and lose weight. Following 30 years of research, Professor Valter Longo - a biochemist and one of the world's leading researchers into ageing - discovered that the secret of longevity lies in cellular regeneration triggered by a special diet. And that by adhering to his fasting-mimicking diet, we can heal ourselves through food. The Longevity Diet will guide you through the process with: - An easy-to-adopt lifetime plan - Fasting-mimicking diet 3-4 times a year, just 5 days at a time - 30 easy and delicious recipes based on Longo's 'Five Pillars of Longevity' In this lifelong, health-boosting plan, you will feel the benefits of fasting without the hunger and live a longer, healthier and more fulfilled life. And you'll get to try

easy, plant-and-fish based recipes . . . - Great for the heart and rich in antioxidants: black rice with courgette and shrimp - For a good source of iron, snack on dark chocolate and yoghurt - For dessert try tangy dried cranberries and walnuts _____ Make simple changes that can extend your healthy lifespan * Prevent age-related muscle and bone loss * Build your resistance to diabetes, cardiovascular disease, Alzheimer's and cancer * Maintain your ideal weight and reduce abdominal fat

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Black, Pregnant and Loving It* Yvette Allen-Campbell, Dr. Suzanne Greenidge-Hewitt, 2016-12-27 The Only Month-By-Month Pregnancy Guide for Black Women Let's face it: Not all pregnancies are created equal. African American women are at a higher risk for complications such as hypertension, asthma and preterm birth. That's why Dr. Suzanne Greenidge-Hewitt and Yvette Allen-Campbell wrote this must-have pregnancy guide for women of color. Suzanne has over 26 years of experience as a board-certified obstetrician and gynecologist, and Yvette is a leader in education. Together they walk you through the multiple stages of pregnancy, advise on how to best avoid common health issues and dispel rumors, all with authority and personality. With month-by-month overviews, soul food recipes beneficial to pregnant women, checklists for doctor visits, a play-by-play of delivery options and even tips for keeping the romance alive, this book has everything you'll need for the next 9 months and beyond. With all your questions answered and all your fears laid to rest, *Black, Pregnant and Loving It* will allow you to enjoy your pregnancy and go on to deliver the beautiful baby you've been waiting for.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Too Heavy a Yoke* Chanequa Walker-Barnes, 2014-06-19 Black women are strong. At least that's what everyone says and how they are constantly depicted. But what, exactly, does this strength entail? And what price do Black women pay for it? In this book, the author, a psychologist and pastoral theologian, examines the burdensome yoke that the ideology of the Strong Black Woman places upon African American women. She demonstrates how the three core features of the ideology--emotional strength, caregiving, and independence--constrain the lives of African American women and predispose them to physical and emotional health problems, including obesity, diabetes, hypertension, and anxiety. She traces the historical, social, and theological influences that resulted in the evolution and maintenance of the Strong Black Woman, including the Christian church, R & B and hip-hop artists, and popular television and film. Drawing upon womanist pastoral theology and twelve-step philosophy, she calls upon pastoral caregivers to aid in the healing of African American women's identities and crafts a twelve-step program for Strong Black Women in recovery.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Black Fatigue* Mary-Frances Winters, 2020-09-15 This is the first book to define and explore Black fatigue, the intergenerational impact of systemic racism on the physical and psychological health of Black people—and explain why and how society needs to collectively do more to combat its pernicious effects. Black people, young and old, are fatigued, says award-winning diversity and inclusion leader Mary-Frances Winters. It is physically, mentally, and emotionally draining to continue to experience inequities and even atrocities, day after day, when justice is a God-given and legislated right. And it is exhausting to have to constantly explain this to white people, even—and especially—well-meaning white people, who fall prey to white fragility and too often are unwittingly complicit in upholding the very systems they say they want dismantled. This book, designed to illuminate the myriad dire consequences of “living while Black,” came at the urging of Winters's Black friends and colleagues. Winters describes how in every aspect of life—from economics to education, work, criminal justice, and, very importantly, health outcomes—for the most part, the trajectory for Black people is not improving. It is paradoxical that, with all the attention focused over the last fifty years on social justice and diversity and inclusion, little progress has been made in actualizing the vision of an equitable society. Black people are quite literally sick and tired of being sick and tired. Winters writes that “my hope for this book is that it will provide a comprehensive summary of the consequences of Black fatigue, and awaken activism in those who care about equity and justice—those who care that intergenerational fatigue is tearing at the very core of a whole race of people who are simply asking for what they deserve.”

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *The Unapologetic Guide to Black Mental Health* Rheeda Walker, 2020-05-01 An unapologetic exploration of the Black mental health crisis—and a comprehensive road map to getting the care you deserve in an unequal system. We can't deny it any longer: there is a Black mental health crisis in our world today. Black people die at disproportionately high rates due to chronic illness, suffer from poverty, under-education, and the effects of racism. This book is an exploration of Black mental health in today's world, the forces that have undermined mental health progress for African Americans, and what needs to happen for African Americans to heal psychological distress, find community, and undo years of stigma and marginalization in order to access effective mental health care. In *The Unapologetic Guide to Black Mental Health*, psychologist and African American mental health expert Rheeda Walker offers important information on the mental health crisis in the Black community, how to combat stigma, spot potential mental illness, how to practice emotional wellness, and how to get the best care possible in a system steeped in racial bias. This breakthrough book will help you: Recognize mental and emotional health problems Understand the myriad ways in which these problems impact overall health and quality of life and relationships Develop psychological tools to neutralize ongoing stressors and live more fully Navigate a mental health care system that is unequal It's past time to take Black mental health seriously. Whether you suffer yourself, have a loved one who needs help, or are a mental health professional working with the Black community, this book is an essential and much-needed resource.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Parent Like It Matters* Janice Johnson Dias, PhD, 2022-02-08 An accessible blueprint to embolden our daughters to be critical thinkers, fearless doers, and joyful change agents for our future—from the proud mother of teen activist Marley Dias, founder of 1000BLACKGIRLBOOKS. "A powerful resource for caregivers trying to raise courageous girls . . . It's my go-to and my how-to."—Kwame Alexander, New York Times bestselling author of *Light for the World to See* Renowned sociologist Dr. Janice Johnson Dias has devoted her life to nurturing and training girls to become change-makers—whether through her investment in her daughter Marley's humanitarian projects or through her work with the GrassROOTS Community Foundation's "SuperCamp." In these unprecedented times, her work has never been more urgent, as parents find themselves asking: How do we teach our children to change the world? Dr. Johnson Dias knows that self-realized girls are created through intentional parenting. And so she asks parents to make deliberate choices—from babyhood through adolescence—that will give their girls the resources and foundation to take hold of their own futures and to create sustainable social change. Unlike other parenting experts, Dr. Johnson Dias doesn't urge parents to focus solely on their children. Instead, she tasks them with a personal challenge: to find their own joy. Just as Dr. Johnson Dias brings her own jubilant passion to parenting, mentoring, and teaching, she inspires caregivers to do the same. Using cutting-edge research and Dr. Johnson Dias's own experiences, *Parent Like It Matters* offers information and strategies for making discussions of racism and sexism a daily practice, identifying heroes and mentors, educating yourselves together, and uncovering your girl's passions and what issues drive her the most. Parenting is enormous work; it can be as overwhelming as it is fulfilling. Within the pages of *Parent Like It Matters*, parents will find the invaluable tools they need to raise resilient, optimistic girls who determine for themselves what their world will look like.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *The Deepest Well* Nadine Burke Harris, 2018 A pioneering physician reveals how childhood stress leads to lifelong health problems, and what we can do to break the cycle.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *We Live for the We* Dani McClain, 2019-04-02 A warm, wise, and urgent guide to parenting in uncertain times, from a longtime reporter on race, reproductive health, and politics In *We Live for the We*, first-time mother Dani McClain sets out to understand how to raise her daughter in what she, as a black woman, knows to be an unjust -- even hostile -- society. Black women are more likely to die during pregnancy or birth than any other race; black mothers must stand before television cameras telling the world that their slain children were human beings. What, then, is the best way to keep fear at bay and raise a child so she lives with

dignity and joy? McClain spoke with mothers on the frontlines of movements for social, political, and cultural change who are grappling with the same questions. Following a child's development from infancy to the teenage years, *We Live for the We* touches on everything from the importance of creativity to building a mutually supportive community to navigating one's relationship with power and authority. It is an essential handbook to help us imagine the society we build for the next generation.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Leading Change in Healthcare* Anthony L Suchman, 2022-02-14 The challenge of transforming organizational culture is at the heart of many key movements in contemporary healthcare, and understanding culture change has become a core leadership competency. However, much current practice is based on antiquated and psychologically unsophisticated theories, leaving leaders inadequately prepared for the complex task of implementing change. *Leading Change in Healthcare* presents relationship-centered administration, an effective new evidence-based alternative to traditional culture change methodologies. It integrates fresh insights and methods from complexity science, positive psychology and relationship-centered care, enabling a more spontaneous and reflective approach to change management. This fosters greater organizational awareness and real participation, as well as improved productivity and creativity, as well as staff recruitment and retention. Case studies drawn from primary care, hospitals, long-term care, professional education, international NGOs and other settings, rather than emphasizing the end results, are demonstrations of how to apply relationship-centered administration in everyday practice. *Leading Change in Healthcare* is a key resource for all practitioners, students and teachers of healthcare management, medical educators, and leaders in all areas of healthcare provision. 'We need a new way of seeing, a new way of leading - and the authors provide a clear guide and resources for the path ahead. *Leading Change in Healthcare* offers hope - and a method. A daily dose is just what the change doctor ordered.' from the Foreword by Carol Aschenbrener.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Oh Sis, You're Pregnant!* Shanicia Boswell, 2021-03-16 What to Expect When Black, Pregnant, and Expecting "This book stands as the modern-day guide to birthing while Black." —Angelina Ruffin-Alexander, certified nurse midwife 2021 International Book Awards finalist in Health: Women's Health #1 New Release in Pregnancy & Childbirth and Minority Demographic Studies, Medical Ethics, and Women's Health Nursing Written with lighthearted humor and cultural context, *Oh Sis, You're Pregnant!* discusses the stages of pregnancy, labor, and motherhood as they pertain to pregnant Black women today. Tailored to today's pregnant Black woman. In the age of social media, how do pregnant women communicate their big announcement? What are the best protective hairstyles for labor? Most importantly, how many pregnancy guides focus on issues like Black maternal birth rates and what it really looks like to be Black, pregnant, and single today? Written for the modern pregnant Black woman, *Oh Sis, You're Pregnant!* is the essential what to expect when you're expecting guide to understanding pregnancy from a millennial Black mom's point of view. Interviews, stories, and advice for pregnant women. Written by Black Moms Blog founder, the book tackles hard topics in a way that truly resonate with modern Black moms. With stories from her experiences through pregnancy, labor, and motherhood, and lessons learned as a mother at twenty-two, *Oh Sis, You're Pregnant!* focuses on the common knowledge Black pregnant mothers should consider when having their first baby. It also shares topics beneficial to pregnant Black women on their second, third, or fourth born. Find answers to questions: Do I financially plan for my birth? Can I maintain my relationship and friendships during motherhood? Will I self-advocate for my rights in a world that already views me as less than? If you enjoyed books like *Medical Apartheid*, *50 Things To Do Before You Deliver*, *The Girlfriends' Guide to Pregnancy*, or *Birthing Justice*, then you'll love *Oh Sis, You're Pregnant!*

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Jane Crow* Rosalind Rosenberg, 2017 Euro-African-American activist Paulli Murray was a feminist lawyer, who played pivotal roles in both the modern civil rights and women's movements. Born in 1910 and identified as female, she believed from childhood she was male. Before there was a social movement to support transgender identity,

she devised attacks on all arbitrary distinctions, greatly expanding the idea of equality in the process.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Motherhood So White* Nefertiti Austin, 2019-09-20 The story every mother in America needs to read. As featured on NPR and the TODAY Show. All moms have to deal with choosing baby names, potty training, finding your village, and answering your kid's tough questions, but if you are raising a Black child, you have to deal with a lot more than that. Especially if you're a single Black mom... and adopting. Nefertiti Austin shares her story of starting a family through adoption as a single Black woman. In this unflinching account of her parenting journey, Nefertiti examines the history of adoption in the African American community, faces off against stereotypes of single Black moms, and confronts the reality of what it looks like to raise children of color and answer their questions about racism in modern-day America. Honest, vulnerable, and uplifting, *Motherhood So White* is a fantastic book for mothers who have read *White Fragility* by Robin DiAngelo, *Stamped from the Beginning* by Ibram X. Kendi, *Why Are All The Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria?* by Beverly Daniel Tatum, or other books about racism and want to see how these social issues play out in a very personal way for a single mom and her Black son. This great book club read explores social and cultural bias, gives a new perspective on a familiar experience, and sparks meaningful conversations about what it looks like for Black families in white America today.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Drop the Ball* Tiffany Dufu, 2017-02-14 An inspirational and insightful guide for women who want to get it all by doing less. For women, a glass ceiling at work is not the only barrier to success - it's also the increasingly heavy obligations at home that weigh them down. Women have become accustomed to delegating, advocating and negotiating for themselves at the office, but when it comes to managing households, they still bear the brunt on their own shoulders. A simple solution is staring them in the face: negotiate with the men in their personal lives. In *Drop The Ball*, Tiffany Dufu explains how women can create all-in domestic partnerships that protect them against professional burn-out.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Twisted* Emma Dabiri, 2020-06-23 A Kirkus Best Book of the Year *Stamped from the Beginning* meets *You Can't Touch My Hair* in this timely and resonant essay collection from Guardian contributor and prominent BBC race correspondent Emma Dabiri, exploring the ways in which black hair has been appropriated and stigmatized throughout history, with ruminations on body politics, race, pop culture, and Dabiri's own journey to loving her hair. Emma Dabiri can tell you the first time she chemically straightened her hair. She can describe the smell, the atmosphere of the salon, and her mix of emotions when she saw her normally kinky tresses fall down her shoulders. For as long as Emma can remember, her hair has been a source of insecurity, shame, and—from strangers and family alike—discrimination. And she is not alone. Despite increasingly liberal world views, black hair continues to be erased, appropriated, and stigmatized to the point of taboo. Through her personal and historical journey, Dabiri gleams insights into the way racism is coded in society's perception of black hair—and how it is often used as an avenue for discrimination. Dabiri takes us from pre-colonial Africa, through the Harlem Renaissance, and into today's Natural Hair Movement, exploring everything from women's solidarity and friendship, to the criminalization of dreadlocks, to the dubious provenance of Kim Kardashian's braids. Through the lens of hair texture, Dabiri leads us on a historical and cultural investigation of the global history of racism—and her own personal journey of self-love and finally, acceptance. Deeply researched and powerfully resonant, *Twisted* proves that far from being only hair, black hairstyling culture can be understood as an allegory for black oppression and, ultimately, liberation.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *In My Grandmother's House* Yolanda Pierce, 2021-02-16 What if the most steadfast faith you'll ever encounter comes from a Black grandmother? The church mothers who raised Yolanda Pierce, dean of Howard University School of Divinity, were busily focused on her survival. In a world hostile to Black women's bodies and spirits, they had to be. Born on a former cotton plantation and having fled the terrors of the South, Pierce's grandmother raised her in the faith inherited from those who were enslaved. Now, in the pages of *In My Grandmother's*

House, Pierce reckons with that tradition, building an everyday womanist theology rooted in liberating scriptures, experiences in the Black church, and truths from Black women's lives. Pierce tells stories that center the experiences of those living on the underside of history, teasing out the tensions of race, spirituality, trauma, freedom, resistance, and memory. A grandmother's theology carries wisdom strong enough for future generations. The Divine has been showing up at the kitchen tables of Black women for a long time. It's time to get to know that God.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Cries in the New Wilderness* Mikhail Epstein, 2002
Already a cult classic in Russia, this novel takes the form of a secret KGB-sponsored study in which Professor Raisa O Gibaydulina reports on the (imagined) religious and non-religious sects that have mysteriously sprouted up in the late 1980s Soviet Union. These bizarre groups of fanatics -- among them the Pushkinians, the Steppies, and the Foodniks -- give voice to their deepest thoughts and philosophies. While the sects are at odds with one another, they all share the need to believe in something greater as they face the spiritual vacuum brought about by the imminent collapse of the Soviet Union. Pathos and humour intertwine to create an unforgettable image of the human response to spiritual emptiness that leaves readers wondering how humans will appease their spiritual yearnings in the face of monolithic materialism.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Law and Bioethics* Jerry Menikoff, 2002-02-28 While the American legal system has played an important role in shaping the field of bioethics, *Law and Bioethics* is the first book on the subject designed to be accessible to readers with little or no legal background. Detailing how the legal analysis of an issue in bioethics often differs from the ethical analysis, the book covers such topics as abortion, surrogacy, cloning, informed consent, malpractice, refusal of care, and organ transplantation. Structured like a legal casebook, *Law and Bioethics* includes the text of almost all the landmark cases that have shaped bioethics. Jerry Menikoff offers commentary on each of these cases, as well as a lucid introduction to the U.S. legal system, explaining federalism and underlying common law concepts. Students and professionals in medicine and public health, as well as specialists in bioethics, will find the book a valuable resource.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *How We Fight White Supremacy* Akiba Solomon, Kenrya Rankin, 2019-03-26 This celebration of Black resistance, from protests to art to sermons to joy, offers a blueprint for the fight for freedom and justice -- and ideas for how each of us can contribute. Many of us are facing unprecedented attacks on our democracy, our privacy, and our hard-won civil rights. If you're Black in the US, this is not new. As Colorlines editors Akiba Solomon and Kenrya Rankin show, Black Americans subvert and resist life-threatening forces as a matter of course. In these pages, leading organizers, artists, journalists, comedians, and filmmakers offer wisdom on how they fight White supremacy. It's a must-read for anyone new to resistance work, and for the next generation of leaders building a better future. Featuring contributions from: Ta-Nehisi Coates Tarana Burke Harry Belafonte Adrienne Maree Brown Alicia Garza Patrisse Khan-Cullors Reverend Dr. Valerie Bridgeman Kiese Laymon Jamilah Lemieux Robin DG Kelley Damon Young Michael Arceneaux Hanif Abdurraqib Dr. Yaba Blay Diamond Stingily Amanda Seales Imani Perry Denene Millner Kierna Mayo John Jennings Dr. Joy Harden Bradford Tongo Eisen-Martin

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *With Her Fist Raised* Laura L. Lovett, 2021-01-19 The first biography of Dorothy Pittman Hughes, a trailblazing Black feminist activist whose work made children, race, and welfare rights central to the women's movement. Dorothy Pittman Hughes was a transformative community organizer in New York City in the 1970s who shared the stage with Gloria Steinem for 5 years, captivating audiences around the country. After leaving rural Georgia in the 1950s, she moved to New York, determined to fight for civil rights and equality. Historian Laura L. Lovett traces Hughes's journey as she became a powerhouse activist, responding to the needs of her community and building a platform for its empowerment. She created lasting change by revitalizing her West Side neighborhood, which was subjected to racial discrimination, with nonexistent childcare and substandard housing, where poverty, drug use, a lack of job training, and the effects of the Vietnam War were evident. Hughes created a high-quality childcare center that also offered job training, adult education classes, a Youth Action corps, housing assistance, and food resources.

Hughes's realization that her neighborhood could be revitalized by actively engaging and including the community was prescient and is startlingly relevant. As her stature grew to a national level, Hughes spent several years traversing the country with Steinem and educating people about feminism, childcare, and race. She moved to Harlem in the 1970s to counter gentrification and bought the franchise to the Miss Greater New York City pageant to demonstrate that Black was beautiful. She also opened an office supply store and became a powerful voice for Black women entrepreneurs and Black-owned businesses. Throughout every phase of her life, Hughes understood the transformative power of activism for Black communities. With expert research, which includes Hughes's own accounts of her life, *With Her Fist Raised* is the necessary biography of a pivotal figure in women's history and Black feminism whose story will finally be told.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: Leadership: All You Need To Know 2nd edition

David Pendleton, Adrian F. Furnham, 2016-07-30 If you only read one book on leadership this year, make it this one! Leadership experts David Pendleton and Adrian Furnham present an innovative model for leadership success in a turbulent world. When times are hard, leadership makes the greatest difference. This thoroughly updated second edition shows how to make the kind of difference that all organizations, both public and private sector, want and need. Early chapters show the powerful effect leadership can have on organizations; subsequent chapters present new ideas that are elegantly simple, conceptually coherent and radically different, based on the best research in the field. The ideas in this book have also been tested in major multinational organizations over recent years. The aim is to provide leaders and those who work with them with a practical guide to how to increase the effectiveness of leadership in any organization.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: I'm Still Here Austin Channing Brown, 2018-05-15

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • REESE'S BOOK CLUB PICK • From a leading voice on racial justice, an eye-opening account of growing up Black, Christian, and female that exposes how white America's love affair with "diversity" so often falls short of its ideals. "Austin Channing Brown introduces herself as a master memoirist. This book will break open hearts and minds."—Glennon Doyle, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Untamed* Austin Channing Brown's first encounter with a racialized America came at age seven, when she discovered her parents named her Austin to deceive future employers into thinking she was a white man. Growing up in majority-white schools and churches, Austin writes, "I had to learn what it means to love blackness," a journey that led to a lifetime spent navigating America's racial divide as a writer, speaker, and expert helping organizations practice genuine inclusion. In a time when nearly every institution (schools, churches, universities, businesses) claims to value diversity in its mission statement, Austin writes in breathtaking detail about her journey to self-worth and the pitfalls that kill our attempts at racial justice. Her stories bear witness to the complexity of America's social fabric—from Black Cleveland neighborhoods to private schools in the middle-class suburbs, from prison walls to the boardrooms at majority-white organizations. For readers who have engaged with America's legacy on race through the writing of Ta-Nehisi Coates and Michael Eric Dyson, *I'm Still Here* is an illuminating look at how white, middle-class, Evangelicalism has participated in an era of rising racial hostility, inviting the reader to confront apathy, recognize God's ongoing work in the world, and discover how blackness—if we let it—can save us all.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: Fat Girls in Black Bodies Joy Arlene Renee Cox, Ph.D.,

2020-09-29 Combatting fatphobia and racism to reclaim a space for womxn at the intersection of fat and Black To be a womxn living in a body at the intersection of fat and Black is to be on the margins. From concern-trolling--I just want you to be healthy--to outright attacks, fat Black bodies that fall outside dominant constructs of beauty and wellness are subjected to healthism, racism, and misogynoir. The spaces carved out by third-wave feminism and the fat liberation movement fail at true inclusivity and intersectionality; fat Black womxn need to create their own safe spaces and community, instead of tirelessly laboring to educate and push back against dominant groups. Structured into three sections--belonging, resistance, and acceptance--and informed by personal history, community stories, and deep research, *Fat Girls in Black Bodies* breaks down the myths,

stereotypes, tropes, and outright lies we've been sold about race, body size, belonging, and health. Dr. Joy Cox's razor-sharp cultural commentary exposes the racist roots of diet culture, healthism, and the ways we erroneously conflate body size with personal responsibility. She explores how to reclaim space and create belonging in a hostile world, pushing back against tired pressures of going along just to get along, and dismantles the institutionally ingrained myths about race, size, gender, and worth that deny fat Black womxn their selfhood.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *My Life, My Love, My Legacy* Coretta Scott King, Barbara A. Reynolds, 2017-01-17 Born in 1927 to daringly enterprising parents in the Deep South, Coretta Scott had always felt called to a special purpose. While enrolled as one of the first black scholarship students recruited to Antioch College, she became politically and socially active and committed to the peace movement. As a graduate student at the New England Conservatory of Music, determined to pursue her own career as a concert singer, she met Martin Luther King Jr., a Baptist minister insistent that his wife stay home with the children. But in love and devoted to shared Christian beliefs as well as shared racial and economic justice goals, she married Dr. King, and events promptly thrust her into a maelstrom of history throughout which she was a strategic partner, a standard bearer, and so much more. As a widow and single mother of four, she worked tirelessly to found and develop The King Center as a citadel for world peace, lobbied for fifteen years for the US national holiday in honor of her husband, championed for women's, workers' and gay rights and was a powerful international voice for nonviolence, freedom and human dignity.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *The Longevity Paradox* Dr. Steven R. Gundry, MD, 2019-03-19 From the author of the New York Times bestseller *The Plant Paradox* comes a groundbreaking plan for living a long, healthy, happy life. From the moment we are born, our cells begin to age. But aging does not have to mean decline. World-renowned surgeon Dr. Steven Gundry has been treating mature patients for most of his career. He knows that everyone thinks they want to live forever, until they hit middle age and witness the suffering of their parents and even their peers. So how do we solve the paradox of wanting to live to a ripe old age—but enjoy the benefits of youth? This groundbreaking book holds the answer. Working with thousands of patients, Dr. Gundry has discovered that the “diseases of aging” we most fear are not simply a function of age; rather, they are a byproduct of the way we have lived over the decades. In *The Longevity Paradox*, he maps out a new approach to aging well—one that is based on supporting the health of the “oldest” parts of us: the microorganisms that live within our bodies. Our gut bugs—the bacteria that make up the microbiome—largely determine our health over the years. From diseases like cancer and Alzheimer's to common ailments like arthritis to our weight and the appearance of our skin, these bugs are in the driver's seat, controlling our quality of life as we age. The good news is, it's never too late to support these microbes and give them what they need to help them—and you—thrive. In *The Longevity Paradox*, Dr. Gundry outlines a nutrition and lifestyle plan to support gut health and live well for decades to come. A progressive take on the new science of aging, *The Longevity Paradox* offers an action plan to prevent and reverse disease as well as simple hacks to help anyone look and feel younger and more vital.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Raising Confident Black Kids* M. J. Fievre, 2021-01-19 How to Raise Black Kids in a Racist World #1 New Release in Teacher Resources and Student Life *Raising Confident Black Kids* includes everything Black and multi-racial families need to know to raise empowered, confident children. From the realities of living while Black to age-appropriate ways to discuss racism with your children, educator M.J. Fievre provides a much-needed resource for parents of Black kids everywhere. It's hard to balance protecting your child's innocence with preparing them for the realities of Black life. When —and how —do you approach racism with your children? How do you protect their physical and mental health while also preparing them for a country full of systemic racism? On the heels of *Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria* and “*Multiplication Is for White People*” comes a parenting book specifically for parents of Black kids. Now, there's a guide to help you teach your kids how to thrive —even when it feels like the world is against them. From racial profiling and police encounters to the whitewashed lessons of

history taught in schools, raising Black kids is no easy feat. In *Raising Confident Black Kids*, teacher M.J. Fiebre passes on the tips and guidance that have helped her educate her Black students, including: How to encourage creativity and build self-confidence in your kids Ways to engage in activism and help build a safer community with and for your children —and ways to rest when you need to How to explain systemic racism, intersectionality, and micro-aggressions If you found guidance and inspiration from books like *The Unapologetic Guide to Black Mental Health*, *Mother to Son*, or *Breathe*, you'll love *Raising Confident Black Kids*.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *The Path Made Clear* Oprah Winfrey, 2019-03-26

Everyone has a purpose. And, according to Oprah Winfrey, "Your real job in life is to figure out as soon as possible what that is, who you are meant to be, and begin to honor your calling in the best way possible." That journey starts right here. In her latest book, *The Path Made Clear*, Oprah shares what she sees as a guide for activating your deepest vision of yourself, offering the framework for creating not just a life of success, but one of significance. The book's ten chapters are organized to help you recognize the important milestones along the road to self-discovery, laying out what you really need in order to achieve personal contentment, and what life's detours are there to teach us. Oprah opens each chapter by sharing her own key lessons and the personal stories that helped set the course for her best life. She then brings together wisdom and insights from luminaries in a wide array of fields, inspiring readers to consider what they're meant to do in the world and how to pursue it with passion and focus. Renowned figures such as Eckhart Tolle, Brene Brown, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Elizabeth Gilbert, Jay-Z, and Ellen DeGeneres share the greatest lessons from their own journeys toward a life filled with purpose. Paired with over 100 awe-inspiring photographs to help illuminate the wisdom of these messages, *The Path Made Clear* provides readers with a beautiful resource for achieving a life lived in service of your calling - whatever it may be.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Black Diamond Queens* Maureen Mahon, 2020-10-09

African American women have played a pivotal part in rock and roll—from laying its foundations and singing chart-topping hits to influencing some of the genre's most iconic acts. Despite this, black women's importance to the music's history has been diminished by narratives of rock as a mostly white male enterprise. In *Black Diamond Queens*, Maureen Mahon draws on recordings, press coverage, archival materials, and interviews to document the history of African American women in rock and roll between the 1950s and the 1980s. Mahon details the musical contributions and cultural impact of Big Mama Thornton, LaVern Baker, Betty Davis, Tina Turner, Merry Clayton, Labelle, the Shirelles, and others, demonstrating how dominant views of gender, race, sexuality, and genre affected their careers. By uncovering this hidden history of black women in rock and roll, Mahon reveals a powerful sonic legacy that continues to reverberate into the twenty-first century.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *The Memo* Minda Harts, 2019-08-20

From microaggressions to the wage gap, *The Memo* empowers women of color with actionable advice on challenges and offers a clear path to success. Most business books provide a one-size-fits-all approach to career advice that overlooks the unique barriers that women of color face. In *The Memo*, Minda Harts offers a much-needed career guide tailored specifically for women of color. Drawing on knowledge gained from her past career as a fundraising consultant to top colleges across the country, Harts now brings her powerhouse entrepreneurial experience as CEO of *The Memo* to the page. With wit and candor, she acknowledges ugly truths that keep women of color from having a seat at the table in corporate America. Providing straight talk on how to navigate networking, office politics, and money, while showing how to make real change to the system, *The Memo* offers support and long-overdue advice on how women of color can succeed in their careers.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Unbound* Tarana Burke, 2021-09-14

INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER Searing. Powerful. Needed. —Oprah "Sometimes a single story can change the world. *Unbound* is one of those stories. Tarana's words are a testimony to liberation and love." —Brené Brown From the founder and activist behind one of the largest movements of the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, the me too movement, Tarana Burke debuts a powerful memoir about her own journey to saying those two simple yet infinitely powerful words—me too—and how

she brought empathy back to an entire generation in one of the largest cultural events in American history. Tarana didn't always have the courage to say me too. As a child, she reeled from her sexual assault, believing she was responsible. Unable to confess what she thought of as her own sins for fear of shattering her family, her soul split in two. One side was the bright, intellectually curious third generation Bronxite steeped in Black literature and power, and the other was the bad, shame ridden girl who thought of herself as a vile rule breaker, not as a victim. She tucked one away, hidden behind a wall of pain and anger, which seemed to work...until it didn't. Tarana fought to reunite her fractured self, through organizing, pursuing justice, and finding community. In her debut memoir she shares her extensive work supporting and empowering Black and brown girls, and the devastating realization that to truly help these girls she needed to help that scared, ashamed child still in her soul. She needed to stop running and confront what had happened to her, for Heaven and Diamond and the countless other young Black women for whom she cared. They gave her the courage to embrace her power. A power which in turn she shared with the entire world. Through these young Black and brown women, Tarana found that we can only offer empathy to others if we first offer it to ourselves. Unbound is the story of an inimitable woman's inner strength and perseverance, all in pursuit of bringing healing to her community and the world around her, but it is also a story of possibility, of empathy, of power, and of the leader we all have inside ourselves. In sharing her path toward healing and saying me too, Tarana reaches out a hand to help us all on our own journeys.

livevibrant wellness and aesthetics: *Be the Bridge* Latasha Morrison, 2019-10-15 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • ECPA BESTSELLER • “When it comes to the intersection of race, privilege, justice, and the church, Tasha is without question my best teacher. *Be the Bridge* is THE tool I wish to put in every set of hands.”—Jen Hatmaker WINNER OF THE CHRISTIAN BOOK AWARD® • Winner of the Christianity Today Book Award • A leading advocate for racial reconciliation calls Christians to move toward deeper understanding in the midst of a divisive culture. In an era where we seem to be increasingly divided along racial lines, many are hesitant to step into the gap, fearful of saying or doing the wrong thing. At times the silence, particularly within the church, seems deafening. But change begins with an honest conversation among a group of Christians willing to give a voice to unspoken hurts, hidden fears, and mounting tensions. These ongoing dialogues have formed the foundation of a global movement called *Be the Bridge*—a nonprofit organization whose goal is to equip the church to have a distinctive and transformative response to racism and racial division. In this perspective-shifting book, founder Latasha Morrison shows how you can participate in this incredible work and replicate it in your own community. With conviction and grace, she examines the historical complexities of racism. She expertly applies biblical principles, such as lamentation, confession, and forgiveness, to lay the framework for restoration. Along with prayers, discussion questions, and other resources to enhance group engagement, *Be the Bridge* presents a compelling vision of what it means for every follower of Jesus to become a bridge builder—committed to pursuing justice and racial unity in light of the gospel.

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shoes at the roller rink during the drug and gang wars of the 1980s could get you beaten; and rocked oversized, brightly colored jeans and Timberlands at an elite boarding school where the white upper crust wore conservative wool shift dresses. *Dressed in Dreams* is a story of desire, access, conformity, and black innovation that explains things like the importance of knockoff culture; the role of “ghetto fabulous” full-length furs and colorful leather in the 1990s; how black girls make magic out of a dollar store t-shirt, rhinestones, and airbrushed paint; and black parents' emphasis on dressing nice. Ford talks about the pain of seeing black style appropriated by the mainstream fashion industry and fashion’s power, especially in middle America. In this richly evocative narrative, she shares her lifelong fashion revolution—from figuring out her own personal style to discovering what makes Midwestern fashion a real thing too.

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