WELCOME TO BOOKSELLING

A list of resources to support booksellers



American Booksellers
Association

American Booksellers Association and BookWeb ("ABA" & "BookWeb")

The American Booksellers Association (or "ABA") is the national trade association that supports independent bookstores. ABA also provides resources, like this one, for booksellers. BookWeb is ABA's website, featuring industry information, education sessions, and commonly-used resources for booksellers. Sign up here for a free log-on at on BookWeb to access the entire site (including behind the firewall) and get your own member profile.



The Book Industry Charitable Foundation (Binc)

A nonprofit that helps booksellers with unexpected financial crises and industry scholarships for professional development. Check out bincfoundation.org for more information.



Shelf Awareness ("Shelf")

A free daily bookselling industry e-newsletter highlighting books, bookstores, and bookselling. Sign up for a free subscription here.



Mountains & Plains Independent Booksellers Association (MPIBA)

MPIBA supports and promotes indie booksellers in fourteen states. Learn about our many events and programs at mountainsplains.org.



Bookselling This Week ("BTW")

ABA's free weekly industry e-newsletter. Sign up for a free subscription here.



Publishers Weekly ("PW")

Weekly free e-newsletters focused on the international book publishing business. Sign up here for a free subscription.



The Independent Bookseller

A free weekly independent newsletter that shares deadlines, action items, and opportunities for Independent booksellers. Sign up here.





Indie Next List/Kids Next List ("INL" & "KNL")

ABA's list of books recommendations from independent booksellers across the country. Nominate your favorite titles to be included on the nomination form here.



Affinity Groups

ABA creates spaces for members of the Black Bookseller, BIPOC, LGBTQIA+, Disability, and Neurodiverse Communities to connect. To learn more about these affinity groups, subscribe on the ABA Member Dashboard here. If you don't have a BookWeb account, sign up here.



ShopTalks, New Member Series, Book Biz Book Club, and Lightning Talks

ABA hosts regular sessions to network, socialize and learn from fellow booksellers and experts on a range of topics relevant to bookselling today. Learn more by visiting bookweb.org/aba-education.









Free Books!

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