



The Wrong Way to Save Your Life: Essays (Paperback)

By Megan Stielstra

HARPER PERENNIAL, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. From an important new American writer comes this powerful collection of personal essays on fear, creativity, art, faith, academia, the Internet, and justice. In this poignant and inciting collection of literary essays, Megan Stielstra tells stories to ward off fears both personal and universal as she grapples toward a better way to live. In her titular piece *The Wrong Way To Save Your Life*, she answers the question of what has value in our lives--a question no longer rhetorical when the apartment above her family's goes up in flames. Here *My Heart* sheds light on Megan's close relationship with her father, whose continued insistence on climbing mountains despite a series of heart attacks leads the author to dissect deer hearts in a poetic attempt to interrogate her own feelings about mortality. Whether she's imagining the implications of open-carry laws on college campuses, recounting the story of going underwater on the mortgage of her first home, or revealing the unexpected pains and joys of marriage and motherhood, Stielstra's work informs, impels, enlightens, and embraces us all. The result is something beautiful--this story, her courage,...

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