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The library book
Orlean, Susan, author.
027.4794 O

Susan Orlean (of Orchid Thief fame) takes a deep dive into the 1986 fire that decimated the main branch of the Los Angeles Public Library, and the mysteries of its origins. The most fascinating parts of the book are in the details--of building plans,...

The accidental playground: Brooklyn waterfront narratives of the undesigned and unplanned
Campo, Daniel.
307.0974 C

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Outsmart waste: the modern idea of garbage and how to think our way out of it
Szaky, Tom., author.
363.728 S

"Garbage doesn't exist in nature--the output of one organism is the useful input of another. So why does garbage exist in the human system? Why did it only become a problem the past century? And most importantly, how can we eliminate it--outsmart the...

Magic trash: a story of Tyree Guyton and his art
Shapiro, J. H. (Jane H.)
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DVD 770.92 W

Top-selling contemporary artist Vik Muniz takes viewers on an emotional journey to the world's largest landfill of the day, Jardim Gramacho. Here the catadores, who number in the thousands, work under the hot sun collecting recyclable materials such...

Stiff [electronic resource]: the curious lives of human cadavers
Roach, Mary.
eBOOK

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The life-changing magic of tidying up : the Japanese art of decluttering and organizing
Kondō, Marie. 648 K

The weeding sensation that swept the nation. Marie Kondo's guide to streamlining and organizing one's earthly possessions is both self-help interrogation and pragmatic pathway, and it stirs up feelings (passionate devotion, frustration, defensiveness...