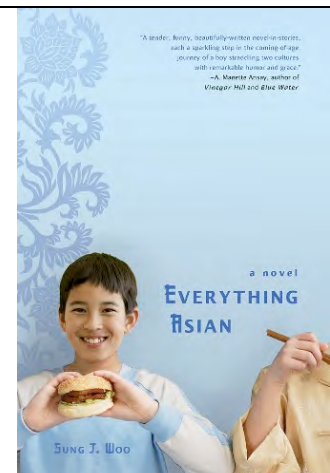
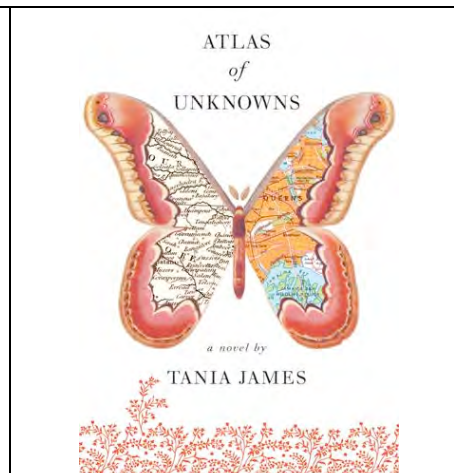
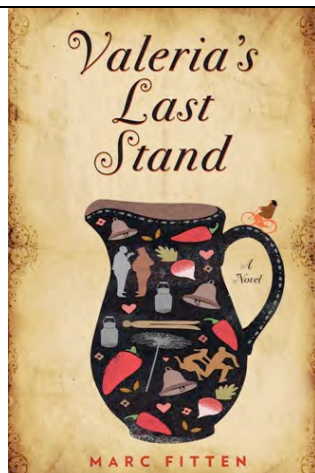


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First Time Out: Debut Novelists Share their Stories



Marc Fitten, Tania James and Sung J. Woo have very little in common on the surface, but all three are the authors of debut novels, and at this very special panel event, we will dig down to find out just how they really are different, and how they might be similar. Fitten's novel, *Valeria's Last Stand*, is a joyful, madcap and mischievous debut about a terminally cranky sixty-eight year old Hungarian spinster who finds equal fault with the new, the old, the foreign, and the familiar. James' *Atlas of Unknowns* is a poignant, funny, blazingly original debut novel is a story about sisterhood, the tantalizing dream of America, and the secret histories and hilarious eccentricities of families everywhere. And Woo's *Everything Asian* introduces us to David Kim, a newly transplanted twelve-year-old immigrant who can't speak English, but still works at East Meets West, his father's gift shop in a strip mall, where everything is new.



April 30, 6pm, Boston Public Library Orientation Room