THE DREAM LIFE OF NIKOLA TESLA

Shedding light on a revolutionary inventor who remained in the shadow of a car brand

Have you heard of Nikola Tesla (1856–1943), the serial inventor erased from history who might have spared us from ecological disaster? In 2036, an activist unearths his final invention: "free and unlimited energy."

Nova, a young engineer, discovers the works of a little-known genius at a used bookstore. One hundred and thirty years earlier, while horse-drawn carriages roamed New York, Nikola Tesla invented Wi-Fi, radio, radar, and remote-controlled robots... Yet in an America in the midst of industrial expansion, this scientist—a true international star—suddenly became the man to be taken down.
Nova uncovers what the FBI tried to cover up: "free," clean, virtually cost-free energy capable of replacing oil, coal, and all other polluting energy sources. Threatening the major economic and political balances—then as now—her invention offers revolutionary hope for the fight against environmental and climate change.

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Why this book is essential:
This novel introduces us to a brilliant, endearing, eccentric, and introverted Tesla with strange obsessions. Set against the backdrop of a cynical capitalism that resonates with today's world, we encounter Sarah Bernhardt, Mark Twain, J.E. Hoover, Emma Goldman, the World's Fair, Albert Einstein, and the electric chair; before arriving at the present day, where a new generation is taking up his work to transform the world.

A utopian, humanist, selfless, scientist, elegant, cultured, and sensitive man, he was the polar opposite of the man who turned his name into a car brand. This novel is his redemption.

The Author:
An essayist on global transformation, a futurist with a passion for history, and a former business journalist, Yannick Roudaut draws on his knowledge of finance and ecology to recount Tesla's work, the forces at play to thwart his groundbreaking inventions, and how activists today might take up his legacy.

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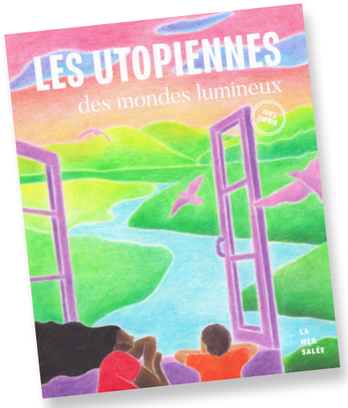

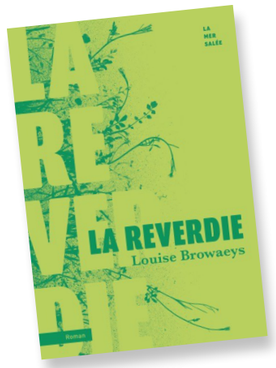

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