

CHIP KIDD

Who is Chip Kidd?

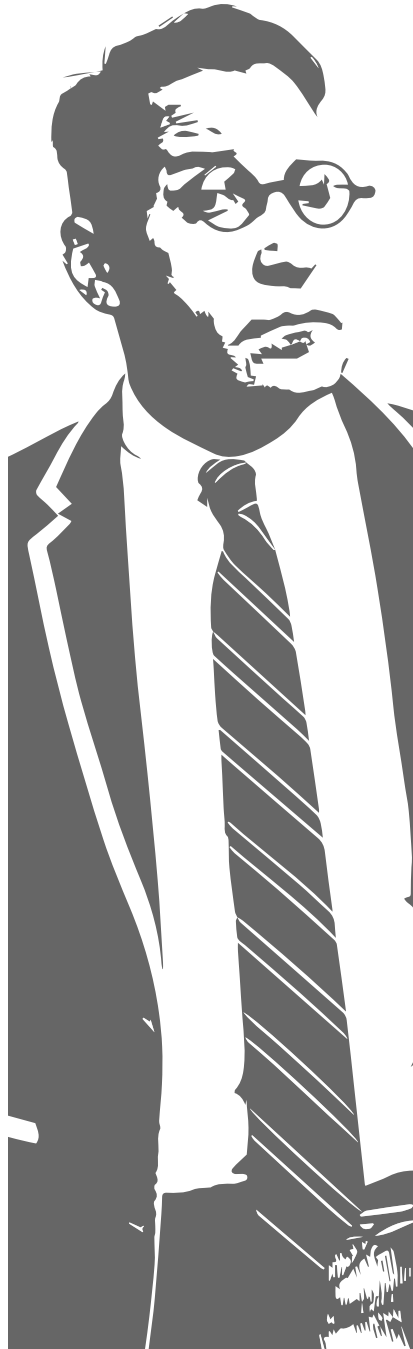
Best known for his book covers, Chip Kidd is an American author, editor, and graphic designer. He is now the associate art director at Knopf and lives in Manhattan's Upper East Side.

His Early Life

Charles "Chip" Kidd was born on September 12, 1964 in Shillington, Pennsylvania.

As a child, he immersed himself in American popculture through television, and developed a life-long fascination in Batman.

After he graduated from Pennsylvania State University from their graphic design program, he was hired by Knopf as a junior assistant. While here, he began to develop his own unique style of book covers and soon became notable with his many book covers and works.



His Work

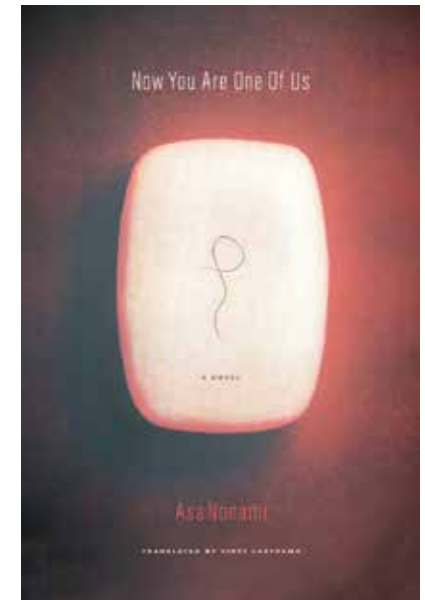
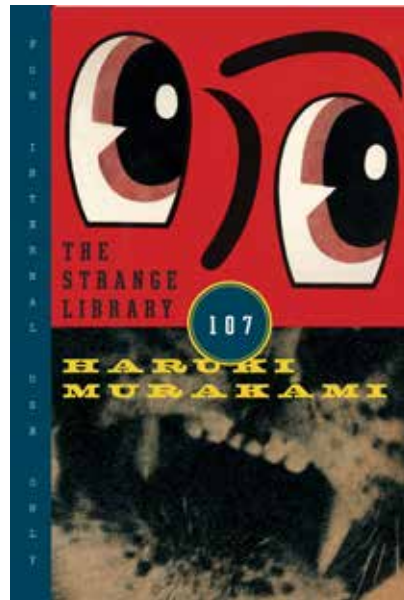
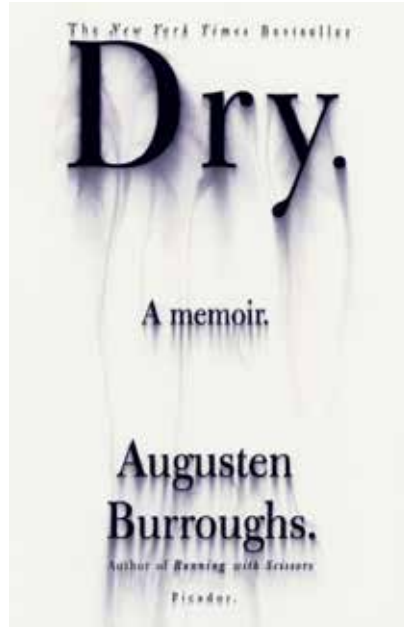
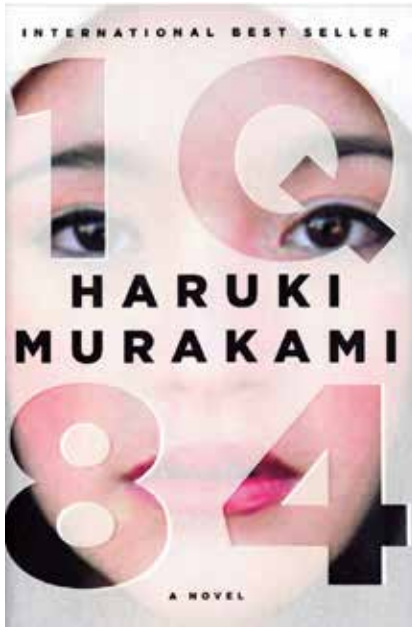
When asked about his creative process and about where he finds his inspiration, he responded that "for the most part I'm inspired by whatever the book is, or by the manuscript itself."

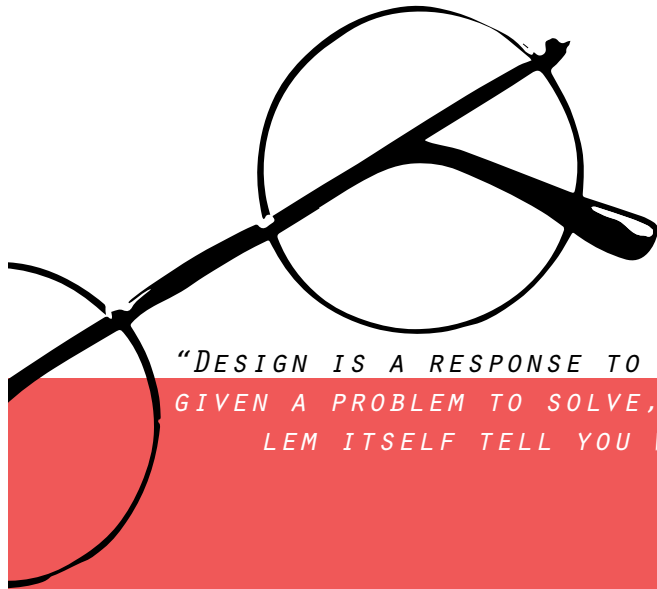
His particular sense of humor and style is translated into his designs.

In his first novel, "The Cheese Monkeys" (2001), which is loosely based on his graphic design experiences, he expanded and explain his creative versatility even more.

He collaborated and made book covers for authors such as Cormac McCarthy, David Sedaris, John Updike, Haruki Murakami, and James Ellroy.

His Most Notable Works





"DESIGN IS A RESPONSE TO A SPECIFIC PROBLEM. YOU ARE GIVEN A PROBLEM TO SOLVE, AND THEN YOU LET THE PROBLEM ITSELF TELL YOU WHAT YOUR SOLUTION IS."

-CHIP KIDD