

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

I'm Chris Dennis's editor at Soho Press. During the editorial process for *Here Is What You Do*, Chris was arrested on drug possession charges and is currently awaiting trial. We believe strongly in the merits of this book. Chris had not previously been to jail, but the fact that the book opens with a story about a young man going to prison for drug possession speaks to Chris's ability to write into his own fears and vulnerabilities and emerge with literature of the highest caliber. The stories here are wildly various and reflective of Chris's enormous talent, but they are also united by a mixture of hope and despair, and a persistent sense of the precariousness of the lives of his characters and the ways in which they act out, often with the best of intention, but to self-harm. Chris understands this precariousness deeply from his own lived experience.

I hope that this book speaks to you as deeply as it does to me, and to all of us at Soho Press.

Sincerely

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