

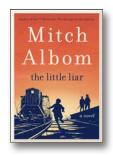
Biography

Mitch Albom is an internationally renowned bestselling author, journalist, and devout philanthropist. His books, which include the #1 bestselling memoir of all time. Tuesdays with Morrie, have collectively sold more than 40 million copies in 48 languages worldwide. Much like his books and presentations on stage, his nationally syndicated column at Detroit Free Press offers accessible cultural commentary that invites readers to reflect on their own lives, values, and the broader human experience. He is the founder of SAY Detroit, an umbrella organization that is home to nine charities dedicated to improving the lives of Detroit's underserved population. He also founded and operates the Have Faith Haiti orphanage in Port Au Prince, Haiti, which he has visited every month since 2010 without exception.

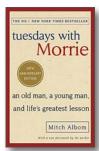
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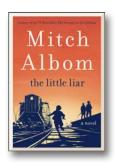
New York Times Bestselling Author

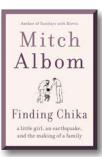
Albom is the author of ten *New York Times* bestsellers, with eight debuting at #1 on the Best Seller List, including *The First Phone Call from Heaven, Have A Little Faith, The Five People You Meet in Heaven*, and its sequel, *The Next Person You Meet in Heaven. Tuesdays with Morrie*, written to cover his dying professor's medical bills, spent four years on the Best Seller List and celebrated its 25th anniversary in 2022. More recent bestselling titles include *Finding Chika* and *The Stranger in the Lifeboat*, which also debuted at #1. In 2020, he wrote *Human Touch*, a weekly serial written and published online which raised nearly \$1 million for pandemic relief. His newest novel, *The Little Liar*, told against the backdrop of the Holocaust, delves into the value of truth and the harm born from the lies we tell.

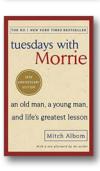
When he's not writing, Albom spends majority of his time in philanthropic work. Through programs like the SAY Detroit Family Health Clinic and Working Homes/Working Families, he provides Detroit residents with free healthcare, housing, scholarships, and more. SAY Detroit was established in response to the temporary nature of providing homeless individuals with three-day shelter parties during the Super Bowl only to return them to the streets on Monday once tourists departed. Albom put out a call to action to instead care for those citizens in need. With that, SAY (Super All Year) Detroit was born.

Albom created two dessert shops, the Detroit Water Ice Factory and Brown Bag Popcorn, whose profits go 100 percent to fund the SAY Detroit programs and provide employment opportunities in the city. He also directs the Have Faith Haiti Mission in Port Au Prince, which helps impoverished children and orphans, as well as the Chika Fund, which provides life-saving medical costs and health care.

With over 20 years on ESPN, and through his work at the *Detroit Free Press* and as a panelist on *The Sports Reporters* podcast, Albom has been named the #1 Sports Columnist in the Nation by the Associated Press Sports Editors (APSE) 13 times. He was honored with the APSE Red Smith Award for lifetime achievement, the biggest prize in sports journalism, and was inducted into both the National Sports Media Association's Hall of Fame and the Michigan Sports Hall of Fame. Albom hosts two radio shows on WJR-AM and has appeared regularly on *The Today Show, Oprah, CBS Sunday Morning, Good Morning America, The View, FOX and Friends*, and many more. His articles have been featured in the *New York Times, GQ, Sports Illustrated*, and *Reader's Digest*.









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