Twitter Thread by Cory Doctorow #BLM



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Today's Twitter threads (a Twitter thread).

Inside: Competition is Killing Us; Predatory lender seeks national bank charter; Militarizing cops was a failure; and more!

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Competition is Killing Us: Consumer harm considered harmful.

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2020 was a shitty year for most things, but it was a banner year for books about fighting monopolies, and for the fight itself.

It started (in Dec '19) with @matthewstoller's GOLIATH, a massive, comprehensive history of monopolies in America.https://t.co/qzY5dPnKRg

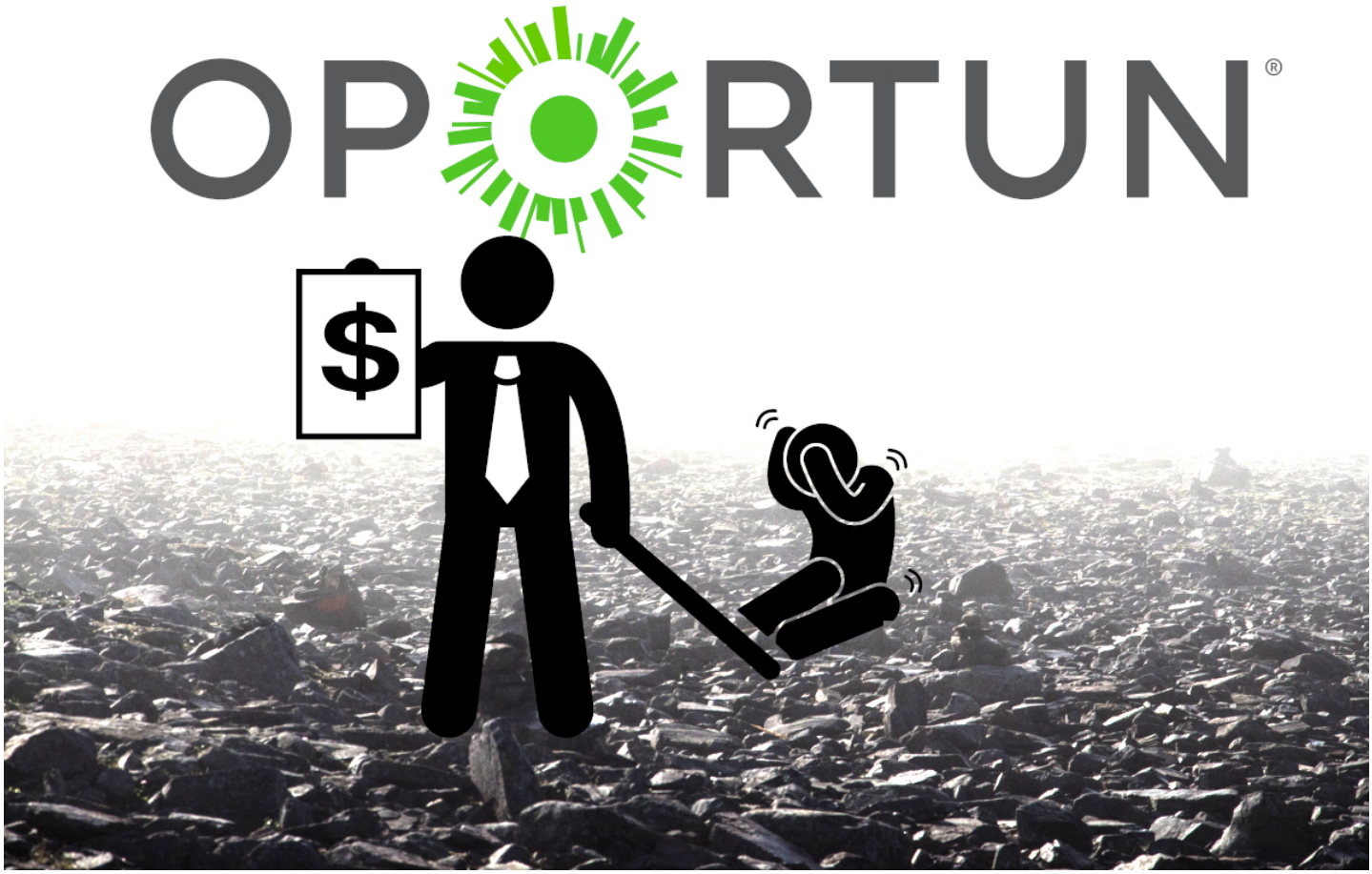
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Predatory lender seeks national bank charter: Oportun led America in suing latinx borrowers during the pandemic.

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> "Partner with us today to build a better tomorrow" - that's the slogan for @oportun, a predatory lender that sued more poor latinx people during the pandemic than any other.https://t.co/ULX8hBCO5a
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Militarizing cops was a failure: Water still wet.

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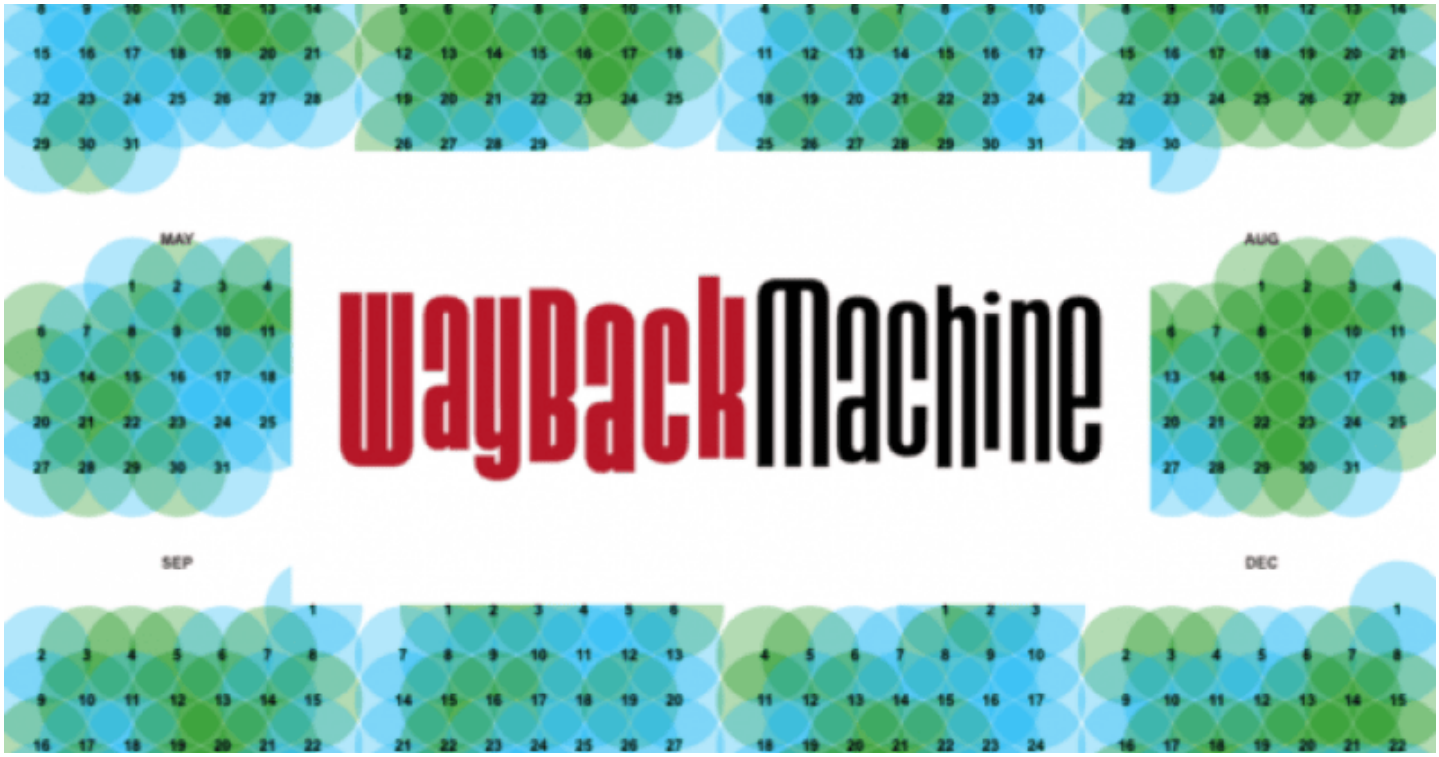


> In 1997, the Clinton administration created the "1033" program, whereby the Pentagon gave away its "surplus" equipment to local law enforcement agencies, leading to the nationwide militarization of America's cops.
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#15yrsago Hollywood’s Canadian MP claims she’s no dirtier than the rest https://t.co/iOEH3n3sON

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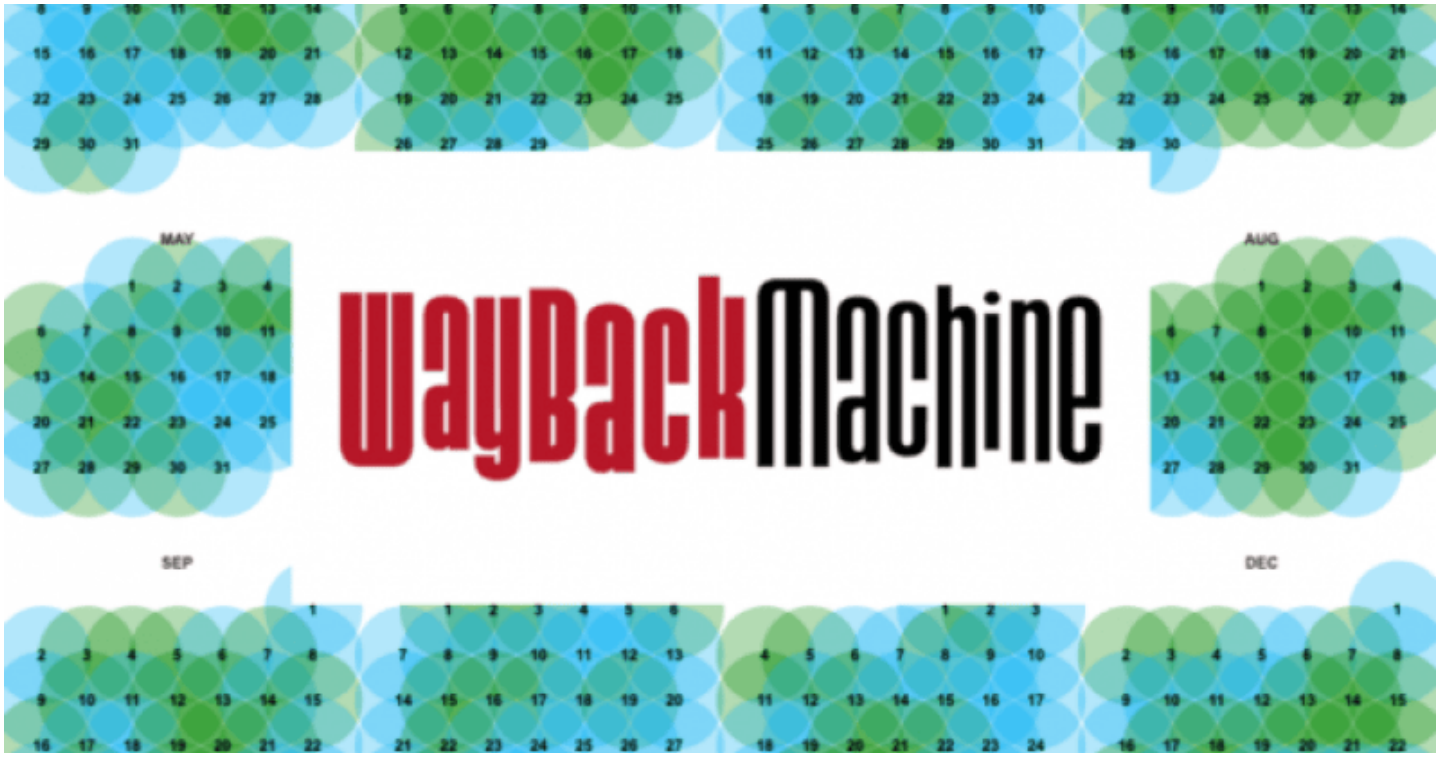
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#5yrsago Gene Luen Yang's inaugural speech as National Ambassador for Young People's Literature https://t.co/mUIAvVHLvy

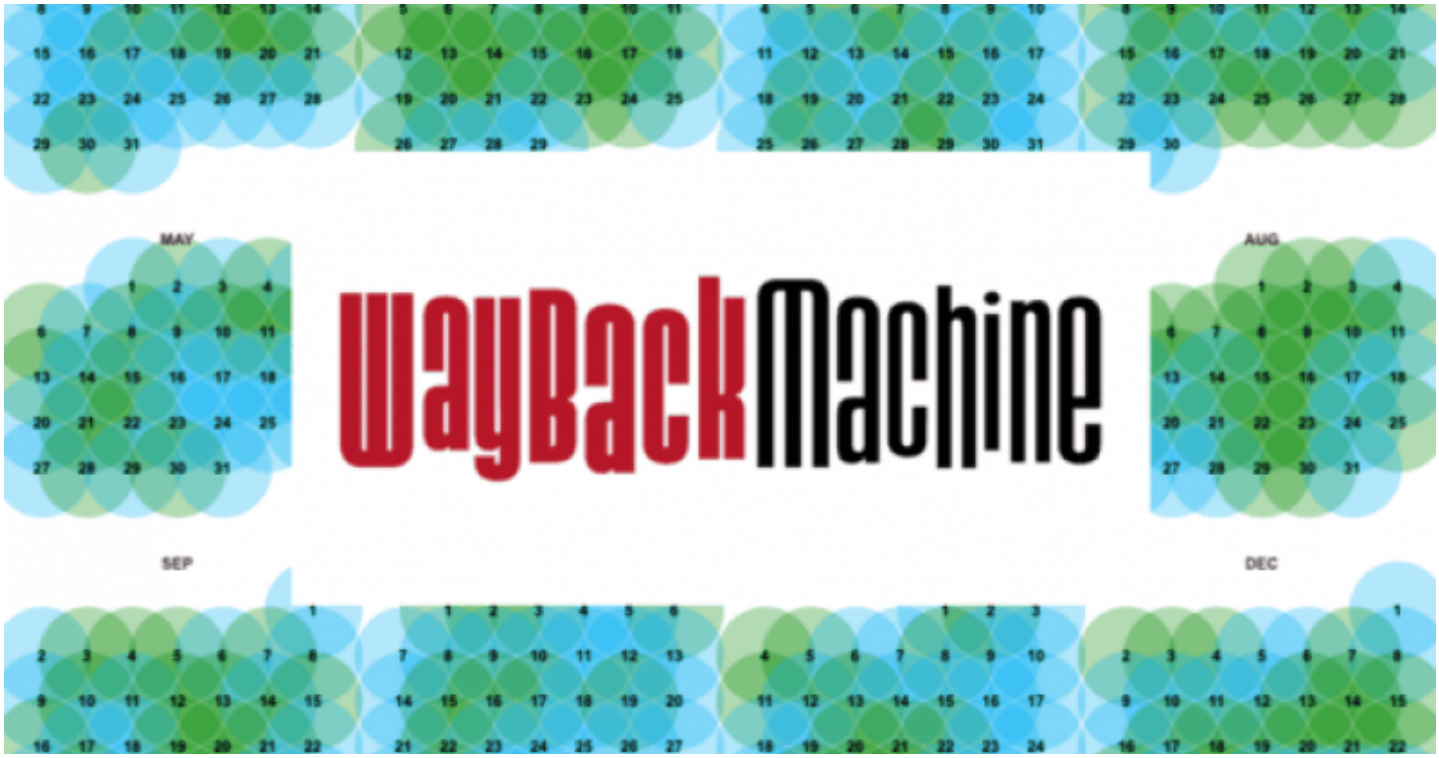
#1yrago Three years after the W3C approved a DRM standard, it's no longer possible to make a functional indie browser https://t.co/dG1yBUdU5W

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#1yrago A Public Service: a comprehensive, comprehensible guide to leaking documents to journalists and public service groups without getting caught https://t.co/5TqvsyzGSF

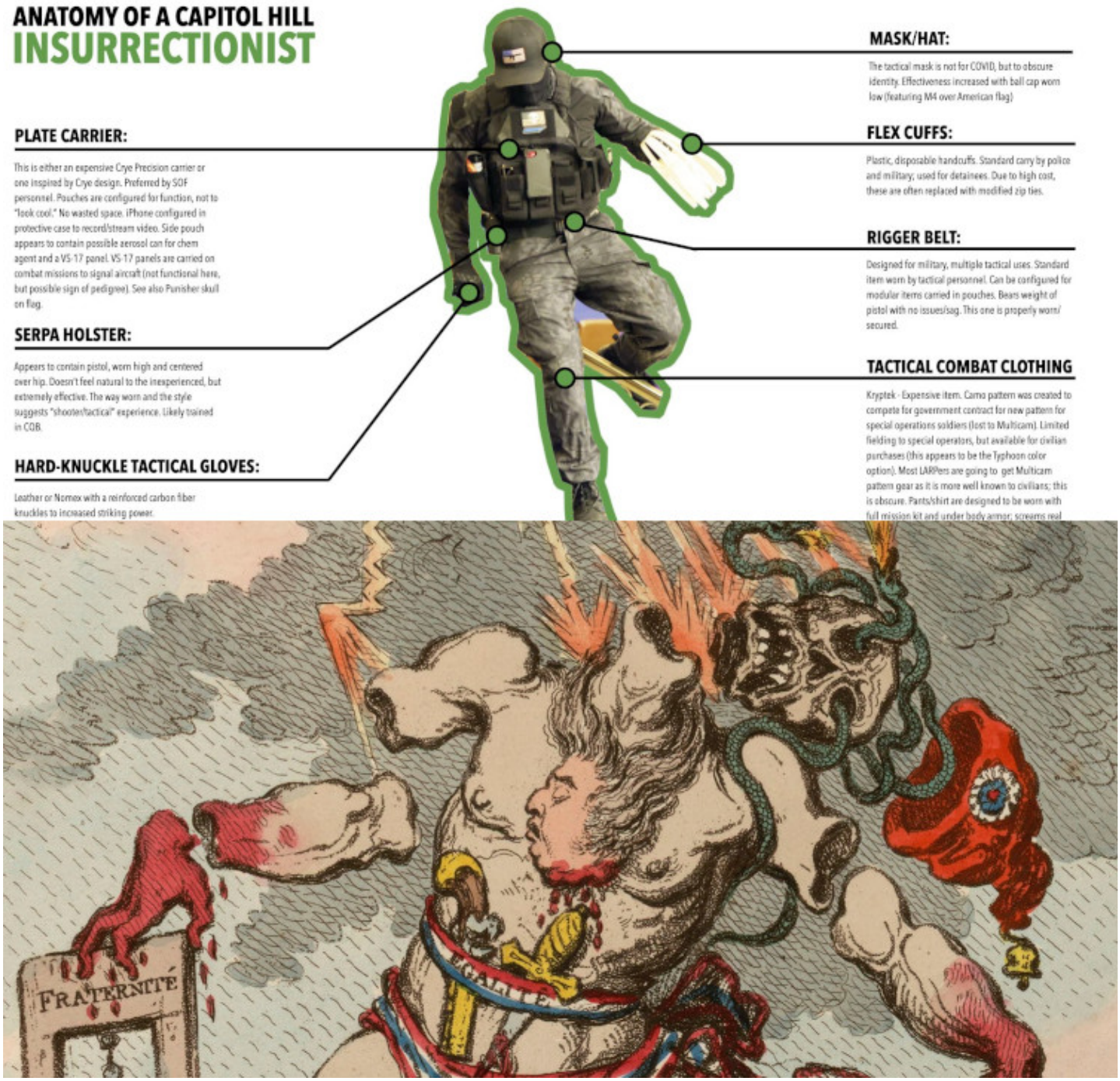
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Yesterday's threads: Into the breach; Revolutionary Colossus; and more!

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My latest novel is Attack Surface, a sequel to my bestselling Little Brother books. @washingtonpost called it "a political cyberthriller, vigorous, bold and savvy about the limits of revolution and resistance."

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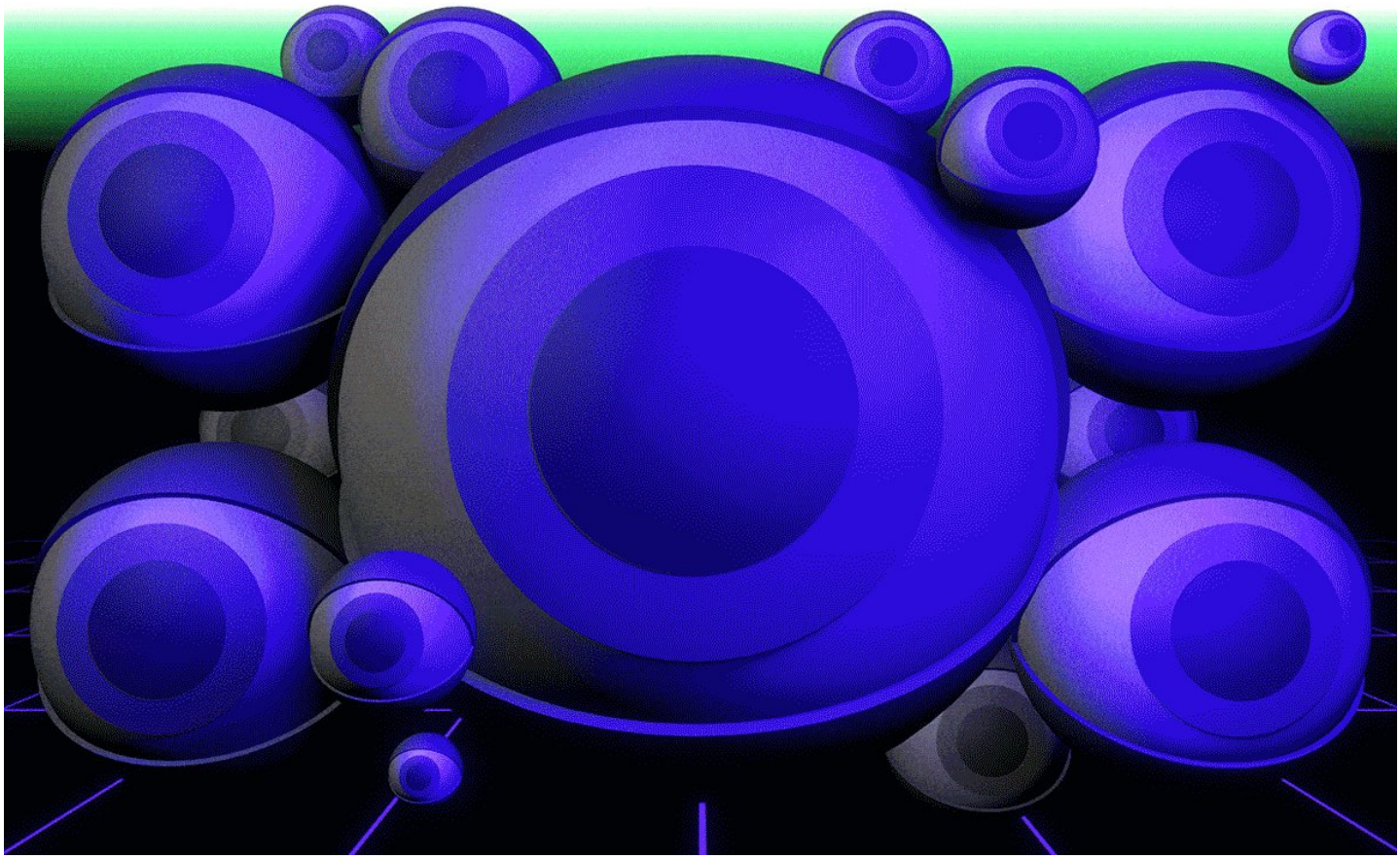
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I have a (free) new book out! "How to Destroy Surveillance Capitalism" is an anti-monopolist critique of Big Tech that connects the rise of conspiratorial thinking to the rise of tech monopolies and proposes a way to deal with both:

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Upcoming appearances:

* What if the future of our public lives online looked like _____? (panel at New_ Public), Jan 13, https://t.co/PoSqIrbIL8

* Keynote for https://t.co/Lr61KpUI3e, Jan 22 (US) 23 (Australia) https://t.co/7dfEFubGFn

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Recent appearances:

* Hedging Bets on the Future (Motherboard):
https://t.co/7YeNDAjLfc

* Applying the Pandemic Mindset to Climate Change:
https://t.co/syTXEF1gFz

* 2020 Beaverbrook Lectures:
https://t.co/SGDUBRVAC1

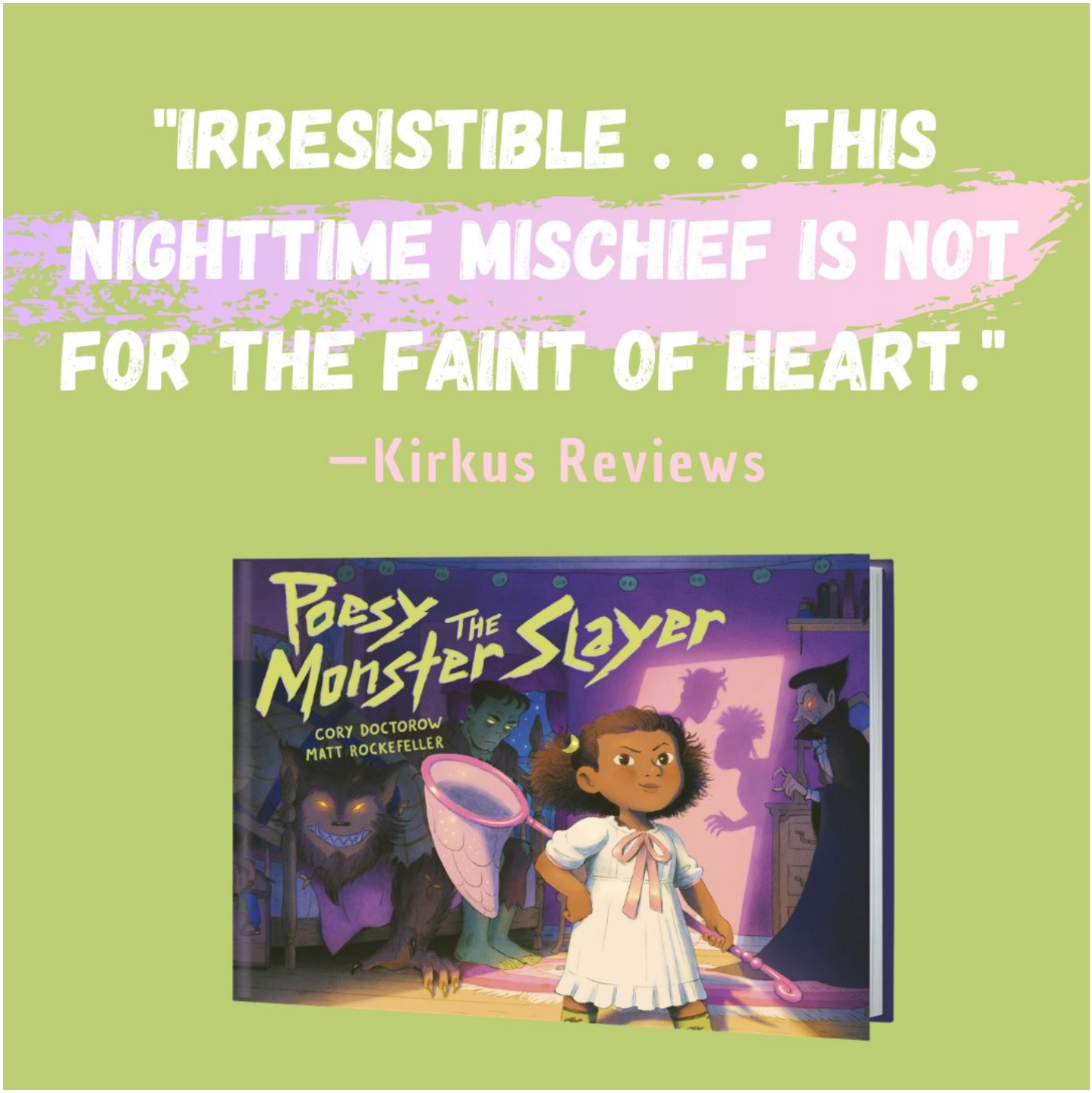
* Bibliotherapy/Shelf Healing:
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My first picture book is out! It's called Poesy the Monster Slayer and it's an epic tale of bedtime-refusal, toy-hacking and monster-hunting, illustrated by Matt Rockefeller. It's the monster book I dreamt of reading to my own daughter.

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