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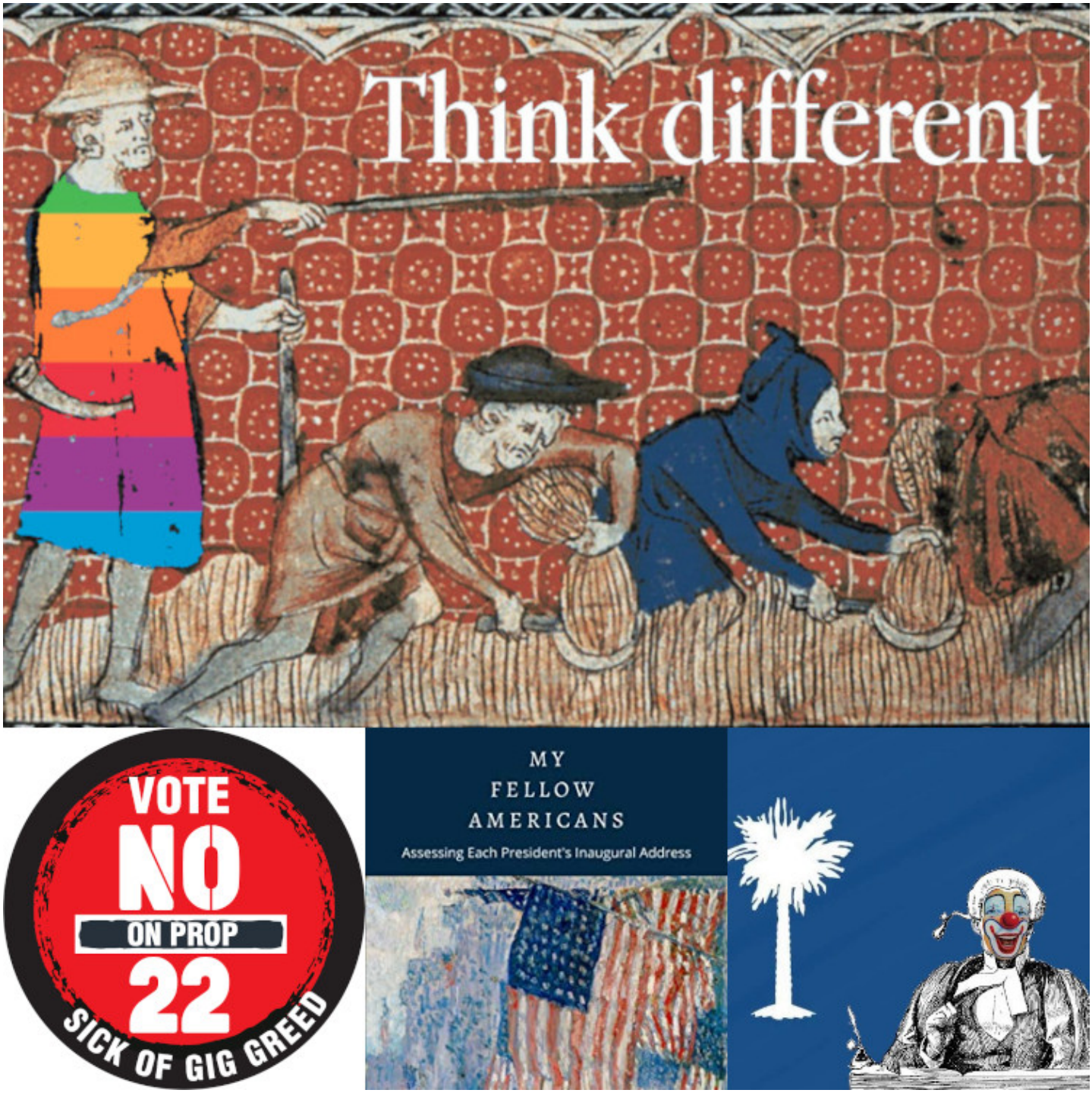
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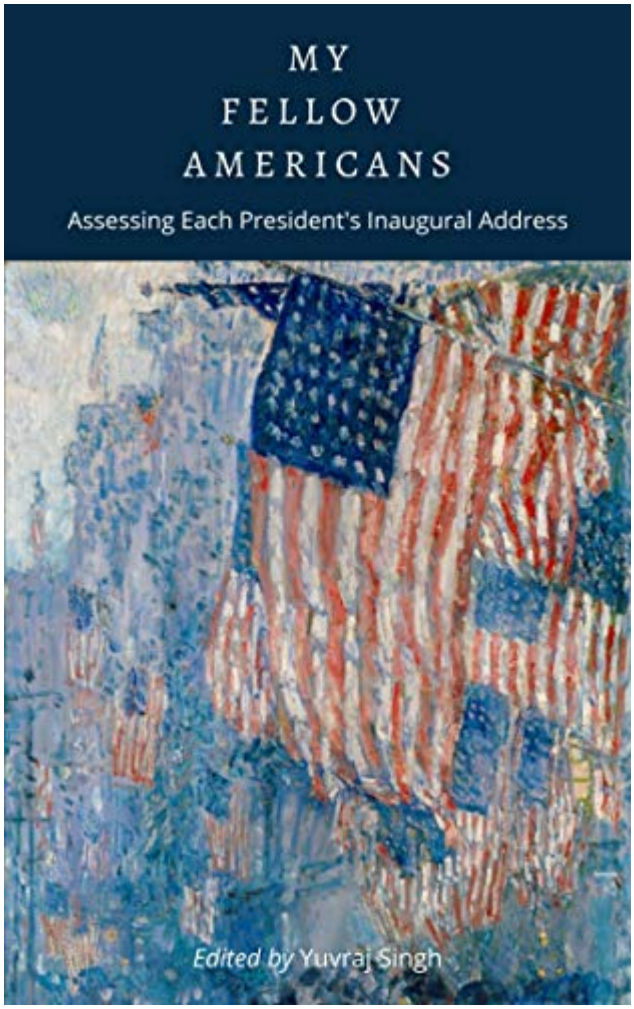
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My Fellow Americans: Audio, text and commentary for every president's inaugural address.

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Digital manorialism vs neofeudalism: Tech companies as warlords with walled gardens.

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> These warlords - Apple, Google, Facebook, Microsoft - all have the best cybermercenaries money can buy stationed at their gates and on their parapets, and they will defend you against anyone the warlord declares to be your enemy.
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South Carolina GOP moots modest improvements to "magistrate judges": Lewis Carroll was an optimist.

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> In 2019, @propublica and @postandcourier ran blockbuster investigations into SC's magistrate judges: inexperienced political appointees with no training who held South Carolinians' lives in their hands - and who use the bench to extract bribes, deal in overt racism and worse.
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Pavilions replacing union workers with "gig workers": Prop 22's other shoe drops.

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#Prop22 was the most expensive ballot initiative in history: "gig economy" companies firehosed $200m over voters, outspending 48/50 state legislative races on a single question.

That question: can employers misclassify workers as contractors and escape legal obligations?

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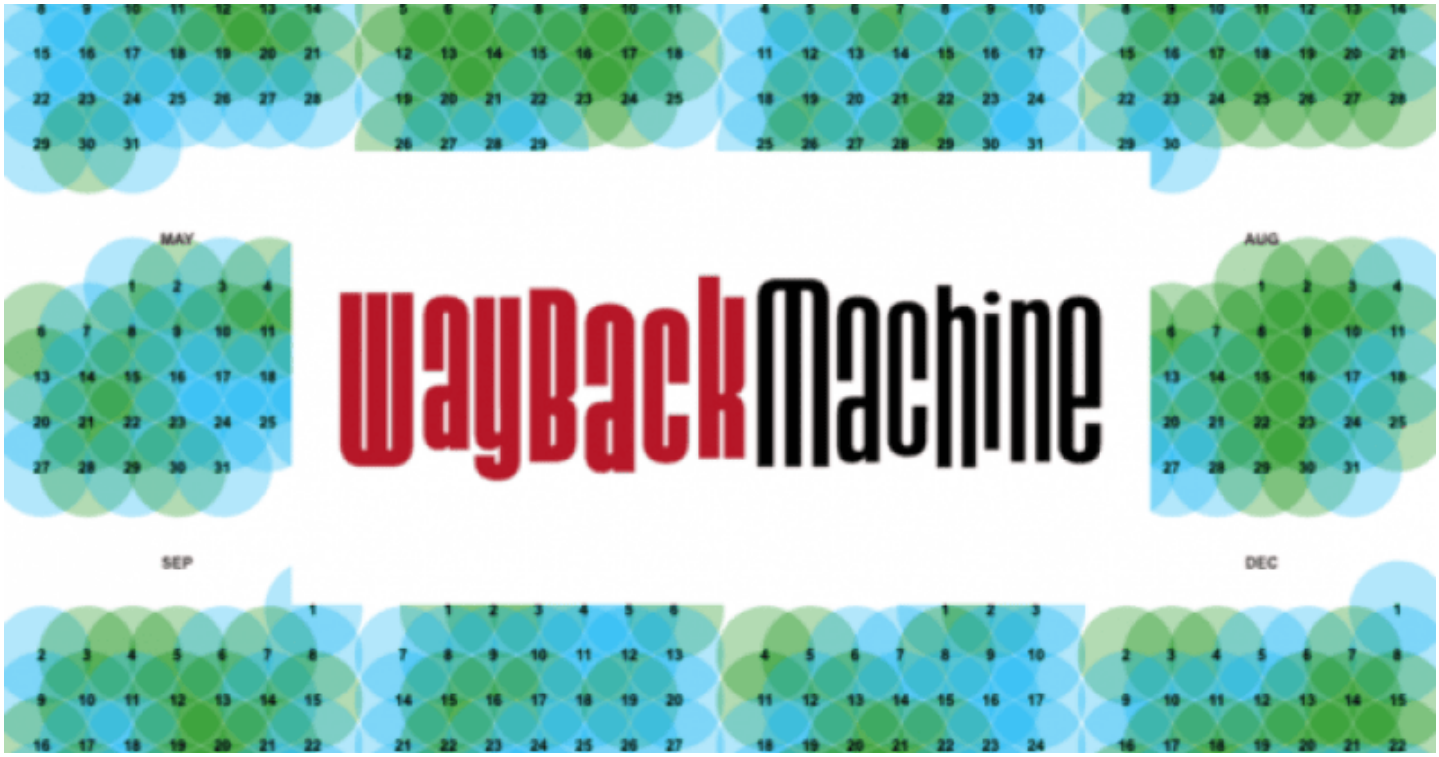
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#15yrsago Study: Best place to advertise to teens is in-game https://t.co/9zO12CJjlR

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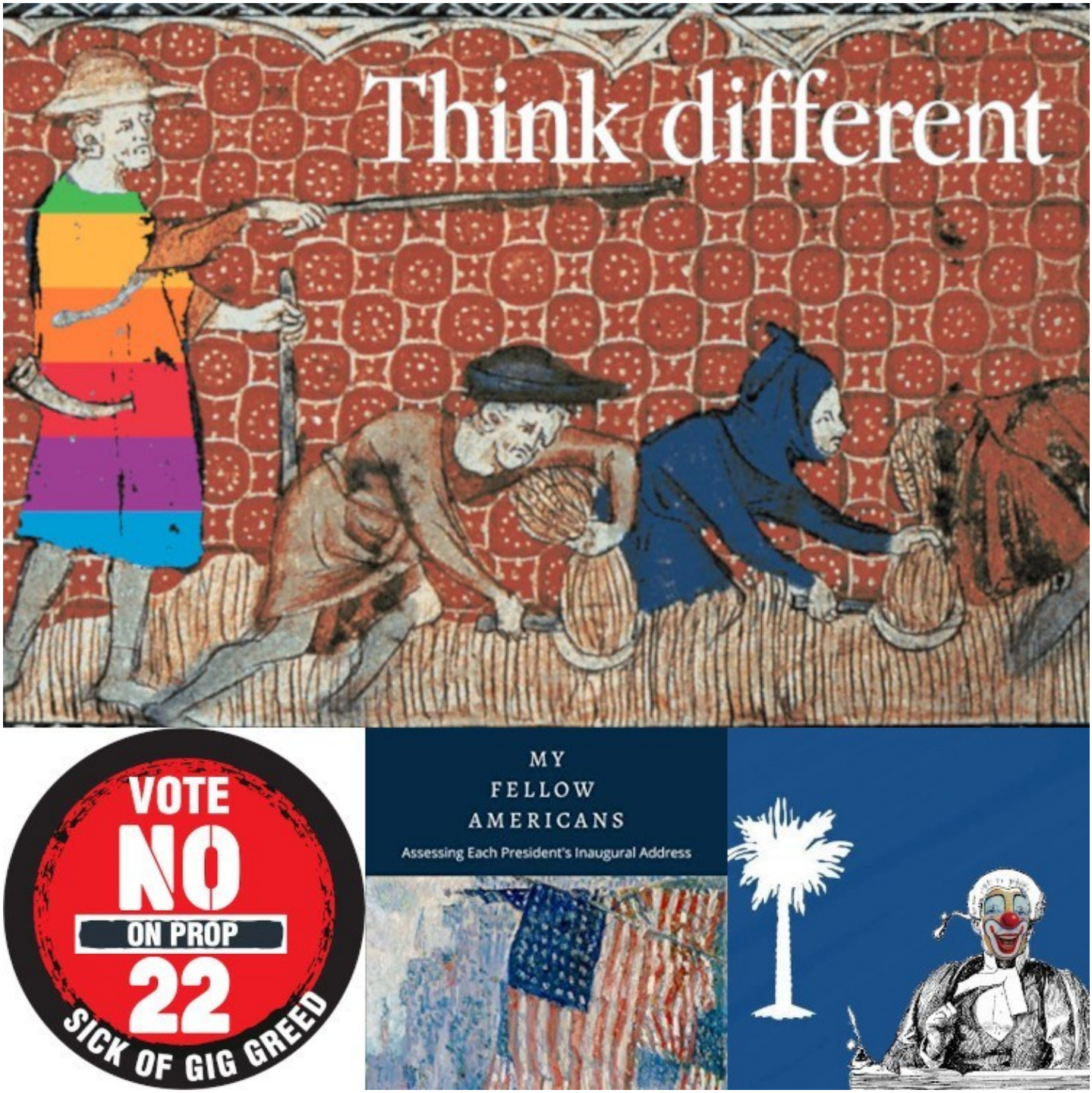
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My latest novel is Attack Surface, a sequel to my bestselling Little Brother books. @washingtonpost called it "a political cyberthriller, vigorous, bold and savvy about the limits of revolution and resistance."

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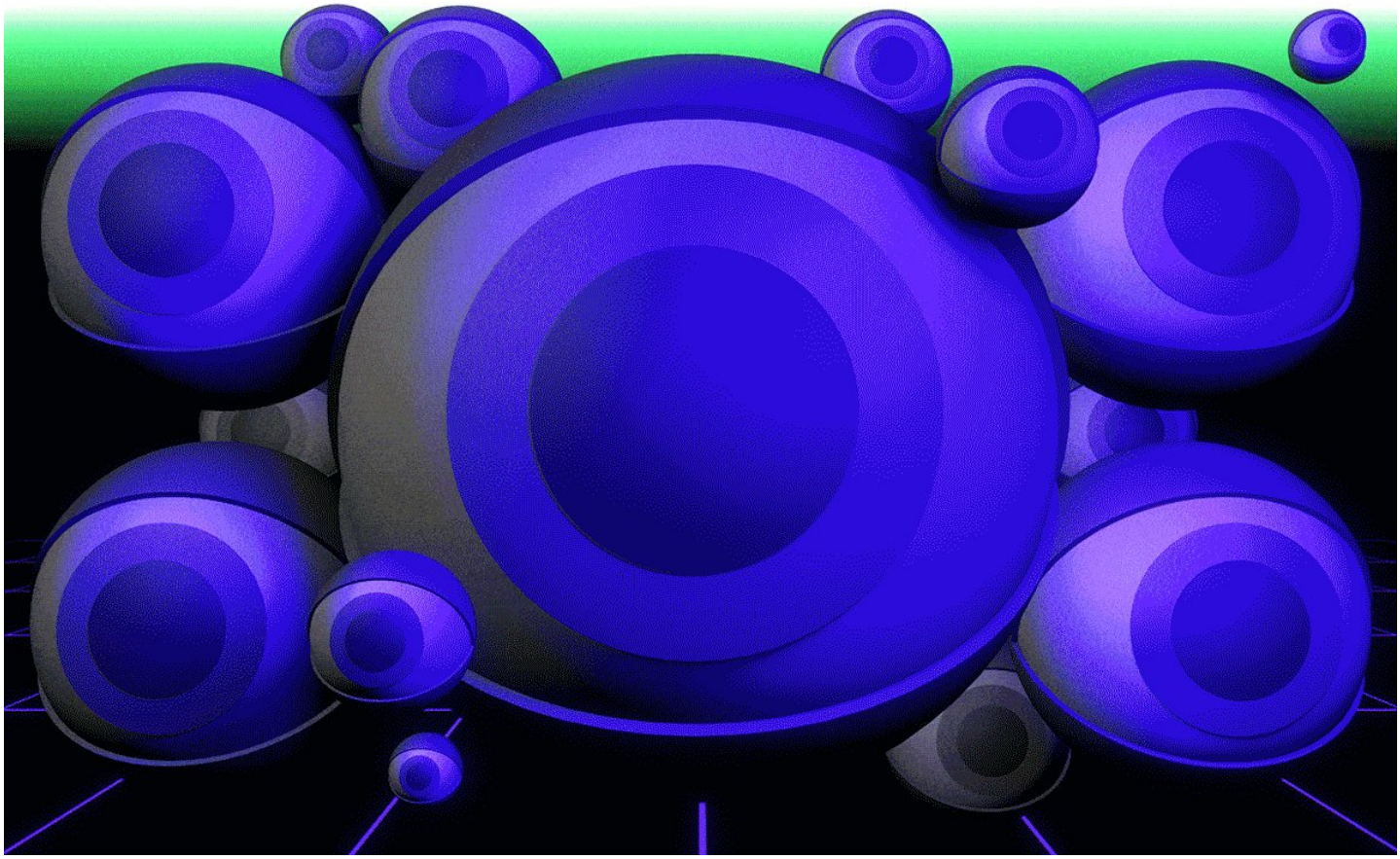
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I have a (free) new book out! "How to Destroy Surveillance Capitalism" is an anti-monopolist critique of Big Tech that connects the rise of conspiratorial thinking to the rise of tech monopolies and proposes a way to deal with both:

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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/PoSqIqU7TA

* Evening with William Gibson, Jan 25, https://t.co/k3fvBd9dSs

* Keynote, NISO Plus, Feb 22-25, https://t.co/neeqzKsANA

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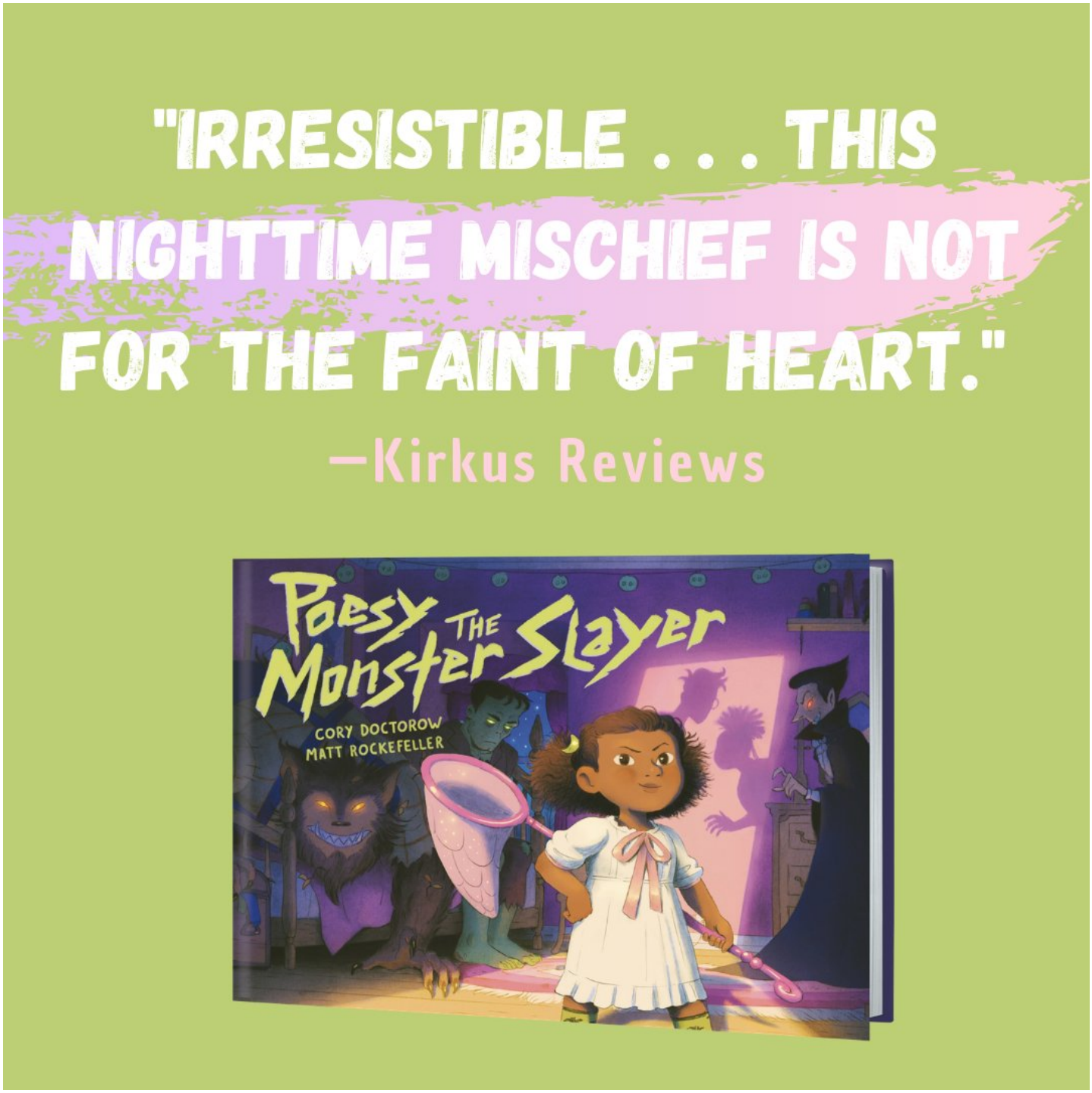
* Bibliotherapy/Shelf Healing:
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My first picture book is out! It's called Poesy the Monster Slayer and it's an epic tale of bedtime-refusal, toy-hacking and monster-hunting, illustrated by Matt Rockefeller. It's the monster book I dreamt of reading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

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