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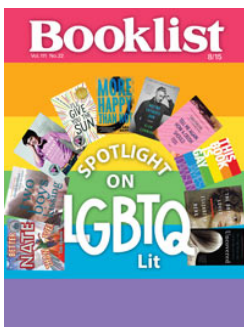
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### Love Love.

**Woo, Sung J. (author).**

Sept. 2015. 304p. Soft Skull,  
paperback, \$15.95 ([9781593766177](#)).  
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Woo's follow-up to his debut, *Everything Asian* (2009), follows two adult siblings forced to confront their dissatisfaction with their lives. Judy Lee is a 38-year-old temp who has more or less given up on her dreams of being an artist, while her older brother, Kevin, has been teaching tennis at a country club since his professional tennis career came to an end. Their father is dying of renal failure, but Kevin's plans to donate a kidney to him come to a screeching halt when he learns he is not only not a match for his father, he is not even his biological son. This discovery turns Kevin's world upside down, sending him on a quest for his birth parents and forcing him to confront his grief over the breakup of his marriage. Judy, who blames her father for the death of her mother, won't even consider donating a kidney. Woo's observations about aging, loss, and disillusionment are so smart, so sharp and astute that they'll haunt readers long after the final page has been turned. That he manages to find the beauty, humor, and even optimism in the struggle makes this glorious, at times painful, but always rewarding novel a stunning achievement. — *Kristine Huntley*

*This title has been recommended for young adult readers:*

**YA/Mature Readers:** Though the Lee siblings are older, their plights—one wrestling with a new love, the other searching for his birth parents—will intrigue sophisticated readers. —*Kristine Huntley*

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