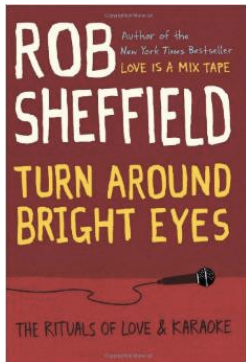


**Turn Around Bright Eyes: The Rituals of Love and Karaoke by Rob Sheffield  
It Books (August 6, 2013)**



Full of winking humor, sly lyrical references, and a constant undercurrent of joy, Rob Sheffield's latest is the story of finding the courage to begin again... by singing off-key in front of strangers. "Sequel" seems too calculated to describe *Turn Around Bright Eyes* fairly, though it's certainly a continuation of *Love is a Mixtape*, which eloquently celebrated the life of his young wife after her sudden death. Embracing his past, he now looks to his future, falling in love again and remarrying. From his favorite NYC spot to a saloon in the Mojave Desert, we follow his personal history of finding his karaoke voice, we meet his amazing Ally/Astrogrrrl, we discover his deep knowledge of Lifetime movies, and we root for him at Rock 'n' roll Boot Camp. It's inspirationally romantic, entertainingly educational, and remarkably persuasive. When all is said and sung, Sheffield's brand of hope inevitably leaves you wondering, "Which song should I choose?" --[Robin A. Rothman](#)