

Comments and Tags

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- Adds personality and library presence to the title record!
- Can add from Title Record or Shelves
- Comments made from Staff Accounts are highlighted on your catalogue and emphasized on other catalogues



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Staff Comments

On **your** catalogue, list annotations and comments made on staff accounts show up in the Opinion section

The screenshot shows the Arapahoe Libraries website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for English, Hours & Location, Help, and Log In / My Account. Below this is a search bar with the text 'Search the Catalog by Keyword'. The main content area features a book titled 'Smoke Gets in your Eyes' by Caitlin Doughty. The book is described as 'And Other Lessons From the Crematory' and is a 2014 book. It has a 4.5-star rating and 35 reviews. To the right of the book, there's a section titled 'Available in some locations' showing 'Total Copies: 3', 'Available: 2', and 'On Hold: 0'. Below this, it says 'On the shelves now at:' followed by a dropdown menu showing 'Keller'. There's also a 'Place a Hold' button and a 'For Later' button. The sidebar on the right contains several sections: 'EXPLORE FURTHER' with an 'AWARD WINNER' badge, 'RECOMMENDATIONS' with a 'NovelList' badge, 'SUBJECT HEADINGS' with a list of subjects, and 'LISTED' with a list of staff lists that include the title. The bottom right corner features the Arapahoe Libraries logo.

OPINION

FROM LIBRARY STAFF

List - My Staff Picks - Nonfiction

ArapahoeCarol Jul 03, 2018

What **really** happens after you die. Tastefully and humorously written (thank goodness!).



List - Murder, Forensics, and Death: Or, I'm Glad Someone Else Handles This Stuff

ArapahoeKati Aug 05, 2016

Caution: if you're squeamish, don't read this while eating. I learned that the hard way.



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ArapahoeHannahS Nov 16, 2016

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I came across this while browsing available eBooks, and was initially intrigued by the title. It reminded me of something, and upon reading the summary, thought I would give it a try. Doughty's life is certainly interesting. At first, I struggled with the idea a young woman would want to... up in on her life, and passions, and personal beliefs, her chosen historical information that she provides throughout the work is end of life arrangements. I think Doughty offers a balanced view of t no point to I think her intent is judgement. Her career has allowed erent people react. This is a fast and engaging read, that I encourage

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ArapahoeHannahS
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★★★★★ Oct 19, 2016  [therhiannamater](#)

"The fear of death is why we build cathedrals, have children, declare war, and watch cat videos online at three a.m." Doughty's writing is so clever and well-informed that both the anthropologist and the inner dark minion sides of my heart are completely appeased. The biting, unforgiving nature of her writing is uniquely charming and informative.

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Best Practices


- Highlight hidden gems
- Comment from the heart - don't overthink it!
- How would you describe this title to a friend?
- Describe the reading experience rather than summarizing the plot
- Provide patrons with a “why to try”
- Who would this appeal to?
- Don't be afraid to comment on titles you didn't like - offer thoughtful critiques!





Examples









- Focus on what makes a title or author unique!

 **Comment**

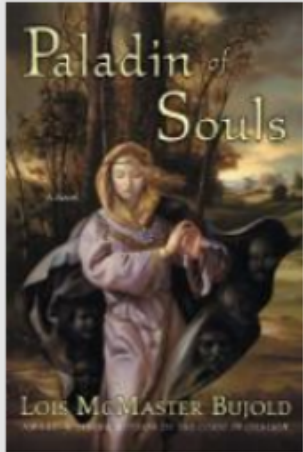
 **BostonPL_VeronicaKM**

A middle-aged widowed ex-saint/accidental murderess goes on a road trip to find herself and ends up helping to fight off a demon invasion. Everyone who likes fantasy should read this book immediately -- Lois McMaster Bujold is a wizard with words and a fresh breath of air in the dudebro landscape of high fantasy.

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Paladin of Souls

By Bujold, Lois McMaster


 Book - 2003


★★★★☆

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Examples


- Concise is fine - this comment highlights appeals and creates intrigue.


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 ArapahoeLaura








Travel between worlds, a cross-dressing pirate, and a misanthropic magician. What could possibly go wrong? Answer: EVERYTHING

ArapahoeLaura's rating: ★★★★★


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A Darker Shade of Magic


By Schwab, Victoria

Book - 2015

★★★★★

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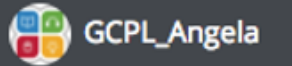
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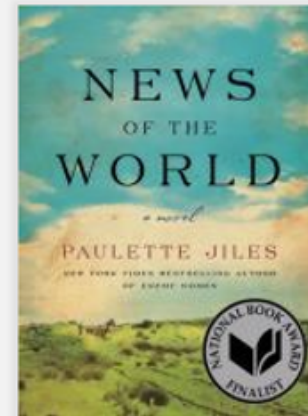
- Describe the reading experience and your personal impression

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Very short, and a quick read, but it has more impact than you would expect from such a slim volume. While I was initially put off by the lack of quotation marks for the dialogue, ultimately I think that this choice gave the narrative a kind of immediacy and a greater intimacy with the Captain's perspective. While there are some lovely descriptions of the natural world as the Captain and Johanna pass through it, by and large the prose is direct and spare, which I like. The pairing of old man and young girl traveling together through rough country inevitably calls to mind True Grit, and the young heroine certainly displays an abundance of that characteristic. Caught between two worlds and destined to never truly belong to either, her existence in the in-between is poignant and haunting. (As Doris says, she is both "not-real" and "not not-real.") The bond forged between her and the Captain feels very genuine, and the ways they both help each other survive -- on a literal level but also on that deeper plane of the soul -- makes this story sing.

A lovely story well told. Check it out.



News of the World

A Novel

By Jiles, Paulette, 1943-

Book - 2016



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Examples

- Think about appeals - this comment gives a rich, vivid picture of the world of the book.

★★★★☆ May 08, 2018 🌻 JCLKarynH

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What's the reading experience?

What's in it?



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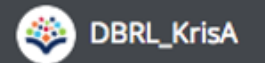
What's the plot?

How was it?

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DBRL_KrisA's rating: ★★★★★



The Rosie Project

By Simsion, Graeme C.


Book - 2013




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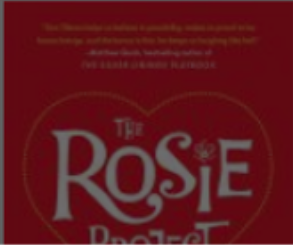
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Tags

- Tags are ultimately meant to index - adding titles to existing tags can be very useful!
- Add to popular tags
- Find tags with moderate results, and look for titles you can add
- What would be useful if you were describing a title?

Tone Tag

dark (2,027)
funny (1,219)
moody (725)
hilarious (669)
suspenseful (587)
6th grade (469)
5th grade (465)
fast-paced (428)
sad (424)
light (402)
mysterious (373)
4th grade (356)
7th grade (347)
humorous (315)
compelling (296)

Theme Tag

guys read recommended (776)
family (680)
friendship (598)
magic (587)
1001 books you must read before you die (560)
love (548)
chipublib best adults (455)
wvml staff pick (453)
romance (350)
wcls2012 (324)
adventure (323)
relationships (318)
war (310)
death (281)
coming of age (262)

Profiles




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**Phil_R**
Library Staff | Calgary Public Library

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ABOUT

Catalogue-trawler. Only looks tired. Also a light beard. In books looking for magical, transportive use of language and evolving mythologies. Also a sweater vest.

SPECIALIZATIONS

Creative Writing

AREAS OF INTEREST

Dream Consciousness
Prehistoric Spirits
The Giant Saguaro

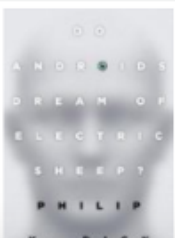
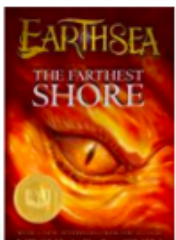



MY RATING SCALE

★★★★★	Breathtaking
★★★★☆	Blown Away
★★★★	Thumbs Way Up
★★★☆☆	Thumbs Up
★★★	Thumb Up
★★☆	Thumb Down
★★	Thumbs Down
★☆☆	Thumbs Way Down
★	Forgettable
☆	Vancouver Canucks

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Completed Shelf: Recently Added




Recent Activity

P Phil_R added a title to their **For later** shelf
Mar 06 2018

**Kings of Broken Things**
Wheeler, Theodore
With characters depicted in precise detail and wide panorama--a kept-



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AL_KATI
Library Staff Arapahoe Libraries

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ABOUT

Hello! I love to read (I read 317 books in 2016). In my spare time, I go to the movies and binge on Netflix, and I'm into true crime and history podcasts. Besides reading, I crochet and paint. I love matching you with the book or movie you want or need (or didn't know you wanted or needed!).

SPECIALIZATIONS

Reworking Pinterest recipes

Crocheting sweaters for my dog

Netflix binging

Searching for the best drunken noodles

Reading pretty much anything I can get my hands on

AREAS OF INTEREST

Fiction
Young Adult Fiction
European History
Children's Picture Books
Literary Fiction
Historical Fiction
WWI
WWII
Royalty
Memoirs
Cookbooks
Historical romance novels
Regency England
Georgian England
Gothic novels
Old Hollywood
Winning the lottery
True crime

MY RATING SCALE

★★★★★

Ermahgerd I can't stop fangirling!

★★★★☆

When a librarian wants to own it, you know it's good

★★★★

Again! Again! I want more!

★★★☆☆

I enjoyed it enough to finish it

★★★

Kept my interest but I won't rave about it (you can probably skip this)

★★☆

Eh I've read better (you can skip this)

★★

I wasted my time on this so you don't have to

★☆☆


Cringeworthy


★


Awful


★

Even More Awful

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CRRL_CraigGraziano

Library Staff

Central Rappahannock Regional Library

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ABOUT

A notoriously slow reader.

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SPECIALIZATIONS

Youth Services

Storytimes

Punk Rocking

Monster Mashing

AREAS OF INTEREST

Music

Film

Non-fiction

Graphic Novels

Science Fiction

Humor

Picture Books

Audiobooks

MY RATING SCALE

★★★★★

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Pizza

Royale with Cheese

Black Bean Burrito

Carrots and Hummus

Sweet Potato Hash

Browns


Clam Chowder


Steamed Cabbage


Pasta Fagioli


Dog food

Dead Rat

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BiblioBrietta
Chicago Public Library

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ABOUT

Fluent in puns, pop culture references, and nature documentaries. Currently cross-stitching Penguin Classics.

AREAS OF INTEREST

crying at nature documentaries
musical sing-a-longs
pastiche
fangirling over all your great lists
reading on the streetcar
being from winnipeg
having the musical taste of a 50-year-old man
cross-stitching birthday presents
women with swords
feelings

MY RATING SCALE

★★★★★

★★★★☆

★★★★

★★★☆☆

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sheer perfection

absolutely scrumptious

star baker

a good bake

an even bake


the dough didn't prove


store-bought fondant


soggy bottom


squirrel's nuts

baked alaska in a garbage bin

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JCLGreggW
Library Staff Johnson County Library

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ABOUT

I'm a Readers' Advisory librarian. I enjoy dark and twisty books, historical fiction, mysteries, and thrillers, but seriously: I'll read pretty much anything. I enjoy talking about books and hanging out with people who enjoy talking about them, too.

<http://www.jocolibrary.org>

[@greggwinsor](#)

SPECIALIZATIONS

Readers' Advisory

general awesomeness

AREAS OF INTEREST

noir
thrillers
historical fiction
literary fiction
speculative fiction
psychological fiction
fantasy
graphic novels
dark and twisty

MY RATING SCALE

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Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan

Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home

Star Trek (2009)

Star Trek Beyond

Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country


Star Trek: First Contact


Star Trek: Into Darkness


Star Trek: Insurrection


Star Trek: The Motion Picture

Star Trek: Nemesis

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Black Panther

Thor: Ragnarok

Captain America -
The Winter Soldier

Guardians of the
Galaxy

Iron Man


Doctor Strange


Iron Man 3


Thor 2: The Dark
World


Justice League

Batman Vs.
Superman

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