

Lists

List Types

**If You
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**Guides and
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**General
Recommendations**

**Genre
Guide**

**Topic
Guide**

**Top
Picks**

**K-12 Study
Guide**

**Healthcare
Guide**



Best Practices

- Draw patrons in with a clear, catchy title
- Include an inviting description that frames your list
- Aim for 10-15 items
- Cover art creates a good lattice!
- Consider adding both new and old items
- Highlight items that are available, but not circulating highly
- Add annotations for each item on your list



Creating Lists: If You Liked...



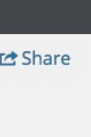
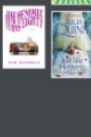

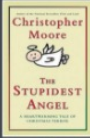
If You Liked

- Inspired by a particular book
- Patrons looking for a similar experience (readalike)
- Focus on unexpected linkages!



If You Liked...

Find Common Threads




IF YOU LIKED...

The Stupidest Angel

BY MOORE, CHRISTOPHER

YOU'LL LIKE THESE BECAUSE...


These titles are laugh out loud funny, have quirky characters or situations, and they are laugh out loud funny.

By:  CRRRL MegRaymond

Central Rappahannock Regional Library


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10 ITEMS




Beat the Reaper
A Novel
by Bazell, Josh
Book - 2009

An over-worked ER doc and a ex-mob hit man wouldn't seem to have much in common. They really don't - except for the fact that they're the same person.



Bet Me
by Crusie, Jennifer
Book - 2004

For a "meet cute" it's hard to beat being asked out on a date to win a bet. Cranky Min and smooth Cal have zero in common, and don't like each other at all. So sparks fly.




Blotto, Twinks and the Ex-king's Daughter
by Brett, Simon
Book - 2011

Blotto likes cricket, his horse, and fast cars. His brilliant sister Twinks does the thinking for both of them. Can they rescue the kidnapped daughter of an ex-king?



If You Liked...

Build Off Trending Titles



IF YOU LIKED...


Ready Player One

BY CLINE, ERNEST

Staff-created list


YOU'LL LIKE THESE BECAUSE...

Selections from SFPL about gamer's quests from virtual utopia to dystopian horror.

By:  SFPL Readers Advisory
San Francisco Public Library


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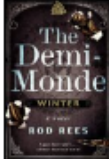
Mr. Penumbra's 24-hour Bookstore
by Sloan, Robin
Book - 2012

Combines elements of fantasy, mystery, friendship and adventure as a way of looking at the modern conflict and transition between new technology (electronic) and old (print books).



Strange Flesh
by Olson, Michael
Book - 2012

A troubled hacker goes undercover to locate a vanished tech prodigy and finds himself at the center of a tantalizing, high-stakes revolution in virtual reality.




The Demi-monde
Winter
by Rees, Rod
Book - 2012

Immersive virtual worlds dominate these action-packed, intricately plotted science fiction stories in which the fate of humanity depends on the successful completion of high-stakes missions by earnest, yet slightly sardonic teenage protagonists.



If You Liked...

Build Off Trending Titles




IF YOU LIKED...

The Handmaid's Tale

BY ATWOOD, MARGARET


YOU'LL LIKE THESE BECAUSE...

because you want more chilling, feminist dystopias where characters struggle to retain their humanity in the face of a government that sees them only as babymakers. Good times!

By:  Chapel Hill, SusanM
Chapel Hill Public Library

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11 ITEMS




When She Woke

by Jordan, Hillary

Book - 2011

A dystopian retelling of The Scarlet Letter. 'Nuff said.




The Left Hand of Darkness

by Le Guin, Ursula K.

Book - 1969

If you like science fiction with a philosophical bent (like Atwood's "speculative fiction"), try this one about a world where there is no sex or gender, but that don't mean there ain't problems.




Archetype

by Waters, M. D.

Book - 2013

If you like your dystopias with lots of thriller, try this mix between A Handmaid's Tale and SJ Watson's Before I Go To Sleep. A woman wakes up in the hos...[Show more](#)



Bitch Planet

Book One, Extraordinary Machine


by DeConnick, Kelly Sue

Graphic Novel - 2015

It's a dark future where "noncompliant" women are sent to live on the titular planet. As a Battle Royale-type contest is set in motion, we see w...[Show more](#)

If You Liked...

Frame Your Readalikes




IF YOU LIKED...

The Changeover

BY MAHY, MARGARET, 1936-2012


YOU'LL LIKE THESE BECAUSE...

Looking for more spooky novels about magcal girls with big hair saving the world, themselves or their siblings? A Christchurch City Libraries list for teens.

By:  ChristchurchTeens
Christchurch City Libraries

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14 ITEMS




The Tricksters

by Mahy, Margaret, 1936-2012

📖 Book - 1986

Another of Margaret Mahy's great books for young adults this is a completely different story but still with a supernatural element and complex family dynamics.




Kaitangata Twitch

by Mahy, Margaret, 1936-2012

📺 DVD - 2011

The island of Kaitangata is waking up, and only Meredith (played by Te Waimarie Kessell) can stop it from claiming another victim. A spooky and atmospheric TV adaptation set near Governors Bay —pitched for slightly younger viewers but still worth watching. [Show less](#)



Fire and Hemlock

by Jones, Diana Wynne, 1934-2011


📖 Book - 1984

Like Laura Chant, Polly crosses an old power bent on immortality, and has to battle to save someone from their clutches.



If You Liked...

Narrow in on a Topic




IF YOU LIKED...

A Dog's Purpose

BY CAMERON, W. BRUCE

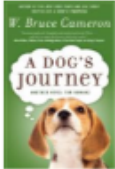
YOU'LL LIKE THESE BECAUSE...

Does the afterlife or reincarnation interest you? Here are some other books you may enjoy if you liked A Dog's Purpose.

By:  AL_SARAH D
Arapahoe Libraries

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9 ITEMS




A Dog's Journey

by Cameron, W. Bruce

📖 Book - 2012

Buddy is back. He has now found his purpose, do guide and watch over Clarity. Don't know what I'm talking about? Read the first book, A Dog's Purpose! :)




Memory

Fragments of A Modern History

by Winter, Allison

📖 Book - 2012

How accurate are your memories? This book uncovers the reality of memory and just how powerful our imaginations are.



Reincarnation Blues

A Novel

by Poore, Michael


📖 Book - 2017

How far would you go to be with the one you love? Would you consider being reincarnated 10,000 times for that chance?



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IF YOU LIKED...

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks

BY SKLOOT, REBECCA

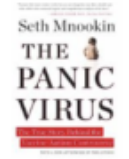
YOU'LL LIKE THESE BECAUSE...

Like Henrietta Lacks, these titles do an amazing job at captivating the reader and presenting what could be really dense reads with the kind of hooking power of fiction. There is much to be explored and learned from these powerful medical topics.

By:  TSCPL Anna Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library

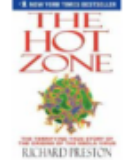
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10 ITEMS




The Panic Virus
A True Story of Medicine, Science, and Fear
by Mnookin, Seth
Book - 2011

When the media first announced vaccines could give children autism, the world panicked. But is there truly any scientific proof? Learn more about this "virus" with Seth's expose.



The Hot Zone
by Preston, Richard
Book - 1995

Though this cautionary tale reads like fiction, don't be fooled: this lethal virus really did wreck havoc in a Virginia lab in 1989. Many referred to this book when the Ebola virus first struck.







The Fantastic Laboratory of Dr. Weigl
How Two Brave Scientists Battled Typhus and Sabotaged the Nazis
by Allen, Arthur
Book - 2014

During World War II, a Polish doctor and his Jewish assistant who discovered the first vaccine for typhus use their knowledge and their positions with the Nazis to discreetly save the lives of those sick in concentration camps.



If You Liked...

Highlight Different Aspects of a Title




IF YOU LIKED...

Camino Island

BY GRISHAM, JOHN


YOU'LL LIKE THESE BECAUSE...

Are you a sucker for anything set in a bookstore or library? Love books with a lot of meta about authors and writing? Looking for a fast-paced thriller? Or maybe it's the Florida setting... You're sure to find something to read next on the shelf at PCPL.

By:  **PimaLib** IB
Pima County Public Library


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18 ITEMS



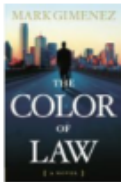
Ex-libris
by King, Ross
Book - 2001

A historical thriller perfect for bibliophiles, set in 1660s London.



The Lost Island
A Gideon Crew Novel
by Preston, Douglas J.
Book - 2014

An adventure that starts with a hidden map...very Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade.



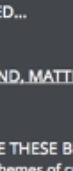
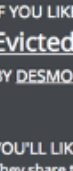
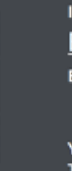


The Color of Law
by Gimenez, Mark
Book - 2005

Do you like Grisham because you love legal thrillers? Here's one to try that's more like his usual fare.



If You Liked...

Explore Social Issues



IF YOU LIKED...

Evicted

BY DESMOND, MATTHEW


YOU'LL LIKE THESE BECAUSE...

They share themes of current race and class politics in America, with an emphasis on housing, gentrification, and displacement.

By SnoIsleLib_AmyS
Sno-Isle Libraries


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8 ITEMS




Tales of Two Americas
Stories of Inequality in A Divided Nation
Book - 2017

The stories contained in this anthology are not meant as a panacea or even a polemic. They are notes from the field; recorded for their own sake in an effort to map the current economic landscape that is late capitalism.




A \$500 House in Detroit
by Philp, Drew
Downloadable Audiobook - 2017

The unassuming earnestness of the author's journey will easily draw you in to this distinctly American story. And the clear-eyed depictions of a city in transition will make you read right through to the end.



Making Rent in Bed-Stuy
by Harris, Brandon
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What is it like to live in a quickly gentrifying neighborhood in NYC? Read this memoir and find out - also a good read for film buffs.



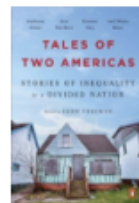
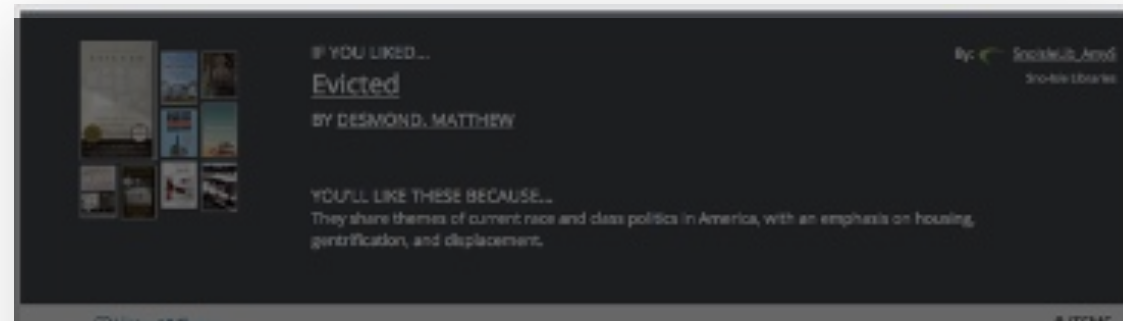
Nomadland
Surviving America in the Twenty-first Century
by Bruder, Jessica
Book - 2017

Filled with anecdotes of an invisible workforce that traverses the country picking berries and working in Amazon fulfillment centers. This workforce is largely past retirement age and many, having lost their savings in the economic downturn, are forced into this lifestyle as an alternative to homelessness. This book will appeal to those of us who have lost our taste for the Amazon shopping experience. [Show less](#)



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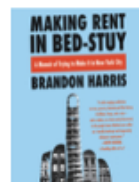


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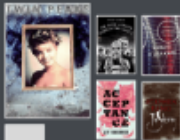
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Link Different Mediums and Formats




IF YOU LIKED...
Twin Peaks

YOU'LL LIKE THESE BECAUSE...
Eye-patched amnesiacs, haunted hotels, and existential detectives are just a few of the Lynchian elements you'll encounter in these literary works. Suggestion and annotations via Vice.com

By:  KCLSSocialMedia
King County Library System

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5 ITEMS



We Have Always Lived in the Castle
by Jackson, Shirley
Book - 2006

Laura Palmer is filled with secrets, and so is Merricat Blackwood in Shirley Jackson's final (and best) novel, *We Have Always Lived in the Castle*. Like *Twin Peaks*, this novel is a dark yet comic masterpiece about ugliness and death in small-town America. While the magic in *We Have Always Lived in the Castle* never becomes explicit, the novel shimmers with a dreamy unreality that would be at home in a David Lynch production. [Show less](#)

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Hard-boiled Wonderland and the End of the World
A Novel
by Murakami, Haruki
Book - 1993


Like Lynch, Haruki Murakami has a knack for injecting the truly strange into the seemingly everyday. Most of his books could fit a *Twin Peaks* list, but my favorite is probably *Hard-Boiled Wonderland and the End of the World*. Just as *Twin Peaks* mashes up a variety of genres—daytime soaps, horror, fantasy, noir—Murakami's novel creates a mystery novel out of two parallel stories: One is a weird science-fiction story about data encryption, and the second is a fantasy story set in a realm of unicorn skulls and dreams. [Show less](#)

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If You Liked...

Not just about Plot!



IF YOU LIKED...

Dear Fahrenheit 451

BY SPENCE, ANNIE


YOU'LL LIKE THESE BECAUSE...

you can enjoy them like a box of chocolates: in a single sitting or savoring one entry at a time

By: [fletcherstaff](#)
Central Arkansas Library System

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7 ITEMS




Thank You Notes

by Fallon, Jimmy

Book - 2011

Gratitude with a touch of attitude




It All Changed in An Instant

More Six-word Memoirs by Writers Famous & Obscure

Book - 2010

The brilliance is in the brevity of each six-word memoir



Twitterature

The World's Greatest Books in Twenty Tweets or Less

by Aciman, Alexander


Book - 2009

Classic and contemporary literature re-imagined in 140-character tweets. The ultimate Cliffs Notes for the digital age

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If You Liked...

Show Different Perspectives




IF YOU LIKED...
Wonder
BY PALACIO, R. J.

YOU'LL LIKE THESE BECAUSE...
Some books change the world. Some books change us. The best books do both.

By:  JeffcoKids
Jefferson County Public Library


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9 ITEMS




Mockingbird
Mocking-bird
by Erskine, Kathryn
Book - 2010

Caitlin lives with Asperger's Disorder, meaning her brain understands the world in a unique, more black-and-white way. Her older brother, Devon, used to help her make sense of the confusing things in the world, but he was killed in a school shooting. Caitlin tries to figure out his death and her world as her father retreats into his sorrow. [Show less](#)




Stargirl
by Spinelli, Jerry
Book - 2004

I think all teenagers should read this book. Stargirl is a former homeschooled who begins public school for the first time. In a word, she's weird. But she's herself. Leo finds he's both enamored and embarrassed by her. He wants Stargirl to act like other people, what he considers "normal." [Show less](#)



Ugly
by Hoge, Robert
Book - 2016

Author Robert Hoge was born with deformed legs and a giant tumor between his eyes. Numerous surgeries left him with a face that even his mother struggled to love. With honesty and grace, Robert recounts the struggles of growing up "ugly" and his determination to rise above life's challenges. As a real-life Auggie Pullman, Robert's story is a reminder that our shortcomings don't dictate who we are and what we're capable of. [Show less](#)



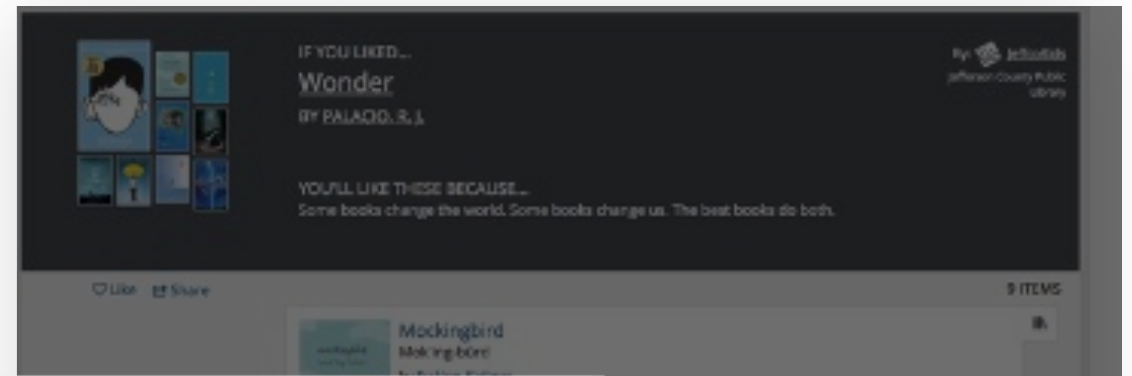
The One and Only Ivan
by Applegate, Katherine
Book - 2012

Stella, an elephant, lives next to Ivan, a gorilla (and the narrator of this true story), in a run-down shopping mall. Stella gets sick, but before she dies, she makes Ivan promise to try to free the newly captured baby elephant named Ruby. Ivan starts to realize that Stella was right – maybe his enclosure isn't a habitat, but a cage. He will do anything, including getting the attention of the humans with his crayons, to help Ruby. This story is heartbreaking, more so because it's told in Ivan's voice, but don't worry, the animals get their happy ending. You'll never look at a cage the same way again. [Show less](#)



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Creating Lists: Guides and Recommendations




Guides and Recommendations

- Inspired by a particular topic
- Readers looking for a certain genre/theme
- Be specific and unique!




Guides & Recommendations

Choose Interesting Links





TOPIC GUIDE


What's in a Name?

By:  [LPI Information Services](#)
Lawrence Public Library

Do names identify us? Define us? Limit us? The power of a name and its value have long been immortalized in prose, poetry, culture and religious ceremony.

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10 ITEMS



Call Me by My True Names
The Collected Poems of Thich Nhat Hanh
by Nhat Hanh
Book - 1993

One of the finest introductions to the work, life and thought of Thich Nhat Hanh, Buddhist monk, poet and Zen master who fled his native Vietnam during the war and became a peace activist with followers worldwide. This collection of over 100 poems covering 40 years, provides the reader a glimpse into the heart of this bodhisattva. Simple yet powerful. [Show less](#)


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Lost Names
Scenes From A Korean Boyhood
by Kim, Richard E.
Book - 1998

Told from the perspective of a Korean child who struggles to understand what happens to his world, and his family, as he grows up during the Japanese occupation in World War II. Family names are important to identity and culture and their loss reinforces the harsh realities of oppression. Yet the author infuses the work with hope and forgiveness, mirroring his father's dignity, wisdom and strength. [Show less](#)

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The Victory With No Name
The Native American Defeat of the First American Army
by Calloway, Colin G.
Book - 2015

A brilliant and haunting history about a battle 'with no name' that was such a devastating defeat for the U.S. Army that it compelled the new nation to yoke its future to the conquest of Indians in the West, transforming the course of and discourse concerning American nationhood. [Show less](#)

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GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Morbid Microhistories


Staff-created list

Death! Disaster! Destruction! Disease! These titles offer a focused look at some slightly darker subject matter. Not for the faint of heart—or stomach.

By: [SkokieStaff_Jane](#)
Skokie Public Library

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6 ITEMS



The Tale of the Dueling Neurosurgeons

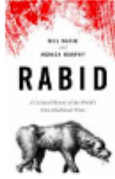
The History of the Human Brain as Revealed by True Stories of Trauma, Madness, and Recovery

by Kean, Sam

Book - 2014

You know that scene in Evil Dead 2 when Ash's hand starts acting on its own? Turns out that a particular kind of brain trauma might actually cause one of your hands to behave like it's possessed! (Oh my god, who typed that?!!) Sam Kean's conversational account of some of the key patients whose misfortune and madness led physicians to map the brain made my head spin, so to speak. But I now feel qualified to diagnose Hodor from Game of Thrones as having Broca's aphasia. [Show less](#)

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Rabid

A Cultural History of the World's Most Diabolical Virus

by Wasik, Bill

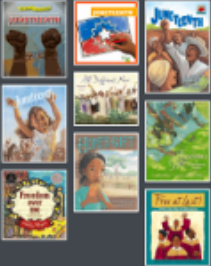
Book - 2012

Do the movie monsters we've come to love and fear--vampires, werewolves, and zombies--all share a common viral cause? Well...no. But there's a decent case to be made that at least some of those mythical baddies were originally invented to explain the horrors of one of the most insidious diseases in history. Actually "history" is a problematic word here because one of the key takeaways from this book is that rabies is just as present, terrifying and deadly as ever if you live outside the U.S. After reading, you'll start checking yourself for bat bites every morning! [Show less](#)

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GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Juneteenth stories and history for Kids


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Juneteenth Freedom Day is celebrated on June 19th to commemorate the day that slaves in Texas found out about the Emancipation Proclamation two years after the Emancipation Proclamation had gone into effect. Juneteenth is still celebrated today to honor liberation and unity.

By:  [mzmeadows](#)
Metro Boston Library Network

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9 ITEMS



Juneteenth


by Ponto, Joanna

Paperback - 2017

In Texas, all slaves found out they were free on June 19, 1865. This day is known as Juneteenth. At first, it was a holiday in Texas, but now people celebrate Juneteenth all across the United States. Readers will learn about the history of the holiday as well as how it is celebrated today. In addition, they can prepare a delicious recipe for corn muffins and construct Juneteenth flag pinwheels to place in a garden, yard, or window. [Show less](#)

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Juneteenth

by Bailey, R. J.

Book - 2017


In Juneteenth, young readers will learn about this American holiday and the ways people celebrate it. Vibrant, full-color photos and carefully leveled text will engage emergent readers as they explore this unique holiday. A labeled diagram helps readers understand the symbols of Juneteenth, while a picture glossary reinforces new vocabulary. Children can learn more about Juneteenth online using our safe search engine that provides relevant, age-appropriate websites. Juneteenth also features reading tips for teachers and parents, a table of contents, and an index. [Show less](#)


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By:  [LPL Information Services](#)
Lawrence Public Library


TOPIC GUIDE

The Historically Inaccurate Channel: The Vikings

The History Channel's adaptations of historical events make great TV, but just how accurate are they? Season 3 of the Vikings recently ended and I couldn't help but notice that a lot of the facts didn't seem to line up with my knowledge of the Vikings. This list is for the people who are interested in what events really took place and to learn more about what Viking life was like during the time of Ragnar Lothbrok.

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12 ITEMS



Vikings
The Complete First Season
DVD - 2013

History Channel's adaptation about the Viking legend of Ragnar Lothbrok. It's hard to separate fact from fiction when the events took place a thousand years ago...[Show more](#)


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Vikings
The Complete Second Season
DVD - 2014

The Saga of Ragnar Lothbrok continues.

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The Vikings
A History
by Ferguson, Robert
Book - 2009

Man or myth? Explore the historical accounts of characters from the show and more. Warning: May contain spoilers!

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Be Educational



TOPIC GUIDE


The Rivers Have Their Stories

By:  [LPL Information Services](#)
Lawrence Public Library

For centuries, rivers have enchanted, beckoned, instructed, challenged and enlightened humanity - and provided amazing stories and adventures.

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17 ITEMS




Ganges
DVD - 2008

Beautiful cinematography displays the Hindus' sacred river in all its lush glory and reveals how the Ganges has shaped wildlife, culture and rituals in India.

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The Mighty Mississippi
DVD - 2012

A British journalist travels up the Mississippi from the Delta to its source in an exceptional documentary that displays the river's rich and diverse history and its impact on American culture, people and industry.

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Down the Nile
Alone in A Fisherman's Skiff
by Mahoney, Rosemary
Unknown - 2008

The author's account of her solo trip down the Nile in a seven-foot rowboat is set against a backdrop of diary entries of two Victorian travelers who made similar trips in earlier times, with Mahoney's trademark humor and zest for adventure guaranteed to enliven the adventure for all readers. [Show less](#)




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TOPIC GUIDE


Quantrill's Raid Resources

By:  LPL Information Services
Lawrence Public Library

The Library holds numerous books that focus on Quantrill's raid on Lawrence, KS, in August, 1863. Many of these are held in the Helen Osma Local History Room and may be used in the Library. Others are available for checkout. Several informative websites are also included in this list.


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Bleeding Kansas, Bleeding Missouri

The Long Civil War on the Border

 Book - 2013

In-library use only at this time [View Details](#)


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Bloody Dawn


The Story of the Lawrence Massacre

by Goodrich, Th

 Book - 1991

Available now [View Details](#)


[Place a Hold](#)




Charles W. Quantrell

A True History of His Guerrilla Warfare on the Missouri and Kansas Border During the Civil War of 1861-1865

by Trow, Harrison


 Book - 1923

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Civil War in Kansas

by Bird, Roy

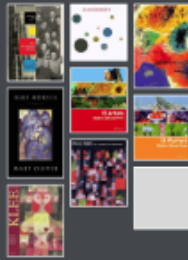
 Book - 2004

Available now [View Details](#)

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


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TOPIC GUIDE


Der Blaue Reiter

By:  [LPL InformationServices](#)
Lawrence Public Library

In celebration of Albert Bloch and his colleagues in the Blue Rider Movement.

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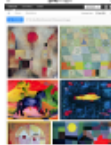


German Expressionists from the Museum of Modern Art

<http://www.moma.org/explore/collection/ge/styles/blauereiter>

Web Resource

Learn more about the movement, the individual artists and view selected works at the Museum of Modern Art's online collection.




Getty Images of The Blue Rider Movement

<http://www.gettyimages.com/search/2/image?family=creative&phrase=the+blue+rider+movement&excludenudity=true>

Web Resource

Create your own Blue Rider gallery with this Getty Image search, or simply view the beauty of the pre-expressionist art for free.



Franz Marc at the Guggenheim

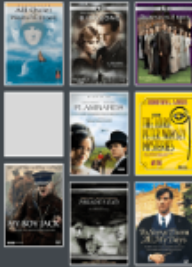
<http://www.guggenheim.org/new-york/collections/collection-online/artwork/2760>

Web Resource

Search the amazing digital collections of the Guggenheim for this and other works from Der Blaue Reiter movement.


Guides & Recommendations

Highlight a theme, topic, or publisher



GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS


Multicolib Recommends: Everything I know about the World Wars I learned on Masterpiece Theatre

By:  multicolib_recommends4
Multnomah County Library

The War to End All Wars (World War I) began 100 years ago in August 1914, but I didn't learn much about it until I began watching Upstairs, Downstairs. Love history? Love a good costume drama? The programs listed here fit the bill, plus you'll learn a lot about the 20th century's two main conflicts. (Lee C.)


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All Quiet on the Western Front
DVD - 1999

This film, released in 1930, is based on the novel by Erich Maria Remarque and tells the story of young World War I German recruits who pass from idealism to disillusionment.



Birdsong
DVD -

Stephen Wraysford, a young Englishman falls desperately in love on a visit to Northern France. Years later, Stephen returns there as a soldier facing the trench warfare of World War I. Based on the novel by Sebastian Faulks.




Downton Abbey
[Season 1]
DVD - 2011

The Crawleys and their servants experience dramas of all variety at the ancestral home. Season 2 brings World War I to the extended family.




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GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS


Multcolib Recommends: Hard-boiled magic, fantastical mysteries

By:  multcolib_recommends4
Multnomah County Library

Are you a fan of Lee Child's Jack Reacher, and also a lover of light fantasy like the Rithmatist and the Harry Potter series? These books with compelling, tough main characters and a fantasy/otherworldly setting may be perfect for you! This list was created by a librarian for a person looking for more good reading. Want a personalized list of your own? Fill out the form at <https://web.multcolib.org/reading-suggestions>. -Emily-Jane D.

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Greywalker


by Richardson, Kat

Book - 2009

Seattle P.I. Harper Blaine gets the stuffing beat out of her and dies for about two minutes. When she struggles back to the world of the living, life isn't...[Show more](#)

Available [in some locations](#)

Place a Hold




Storm Front

by Butcher, Jim

Book - 2000

Readers, meet Harry Dresden, Wizard for Hire. He finds lost items, conducts paranormal investigations, does consulting work, gives advice and charges reasonable rates.



The Invention of Hugo Cabret

A Novel In Words and Pictures

by Selznick, Brian

Book - 2007


When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan living and repairing clocks within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931, meets a mysterious toymaker and his goddaughter, his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized.

Available [in some locations](#)

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GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS


By:  multicolib_recommends4
Multnomah County Library

Multicolib Recommends: Lyrical fiction with a strong sense of place (CD audiobooks)

If you enjoyed listening to Wendell Berry's Port William books, here are a few more novels we think you'll enjoy. This list was made for a library patron who wanted reading suggestions. Want your own list? Go here: <https://multicolib.org/my-librarian> -Joanna M.


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Cold Mountain
by Frazier, Charles
Audiobook CD - 2006

After Inman escapes from a war hospital in 1864 and starts walking to Cold Mountain, Ada struggles to save her mountain farm with the help of Ruby, an illiterate but efficient farmer.




The Orchardist
[a Novel]
by Coplin, Amanda
Audiobook CD - 2012

At the turn of the 20th century in a rural stretch of the Pacific Northwest, a gentle solitary orchardist, Talmadge, tends to apples and apricots. Then tw...[Show more](#)



Angle of Repose
by Stegner, Wallace
Audiobook CD - 2009

Susan and her engineer husband live rough lives in mining camps during the late 19th century, and their marriage cannot survive.




Home
by Robinson, Marilynne
Audiobook CD - 2008

Returning to Gilead, Iowa to care for her dying father, Glory Boughton is joined by her long-absent brother, with whom she bonds throughout his struggles with alcoholism, unemployment, and their father's traditionalist values.




Beyond Books



GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS


TBT to Outdated Tech in Films

Pay phones, pagers and Palm Pilots, oh my!

By:  **AL KATI**
Arapahoe Libraries

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Mission: Impossible

DVD - 2006

Look for a pay phone in the wild! (And the huge computers.)

All copies in use [Availability details](#)

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You've Got Mail

DVD - 2008

Remember that ear-grating sound of dial up and the delightful "You've Got Mail" coming through your computer speakers?

Available in some locations

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Say Anything

DVD - 2009


Boombox. How many batteries did that need?

All copies in use [Availability details](#)
Holds: 2 on 1 copy

Place a Hold

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Beyond Books






GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Music's Fiercest Feuds and Fallouts


Staff-created list

Big egos, creative differences, and legal battles are just some of the many reasons for the bad blood between these musicians.

By:  Dieu.D
Calgary Public Library

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Pure McCartney

by McCartney, Paul

Music CD - 2016

As part of the Fab Four, Paul and John kept their disagreements hidden from the public eye until their disbandment. Afterwards, they exchanged jabs through their music. In one of many lyrical insults, Paul took a direct hit at Lennon with his song, Too Many People: "You took your lucky break and broke it in two," which he later admitted was about Lennon. [Show less](#)

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Double Fantasy Stripped Down

by Lennon, John

Music CD - 2010

On Lennon's 1971 album, Imagine, he responded with a diss track, How Do You Sleep, where he mocks McCartney's most famous song: "The only thing you done was 'Yesterday'."

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Surfer Girl

by Beach Boys

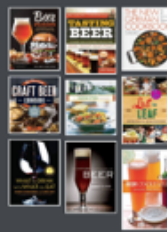
Music CD - 2012

Cousins Brian Wilson and Mike Love had major creative differences, especially when Wilson wanted to take the Beach Boys in a more experimental direction. About their album, Pet Sounds, Mike in particular despised the lyrics saying to Goldmine in Sept. 18, 1992, "Some of the words were so totally offensive to me that I wouldn't even sing 'em because I thought it was too nauseating." [Show less](#)

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Food for Thought



GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Pair Beer with Food for Great Meals Every Time


Staff-created list

Step away from your local beer cave and into a magical beer world that is your Tacoma Library. Here are ways you can find out how a variety of common and rare beers can join with diverse recipes to make good meals great.

By: TacomaLibrary
Tacoma Public Library

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Beer Pairing
The Essential Guide From the Pairing Pros
by Herz, Julia
Book - 2015

A guide for beginners and beer geeks explaining beer styles and characteristics. Enjoy learning about taste elements, flavor interactions, plus many specific food pairings.


Available [in some locations](#) [Place a Hold](#)



Tasting Beer
An Insider's Guide to the World's Greatest Drink
by Mosher, Randy
Book - 2009

Everyone knows how to drink beer, but few know how to really taste it with an understanding of the finer points of brewing, serving, and food pairing. This book will help you make all your beer drinking moments exceptional.

All copies in use [Availability details](#) [Place a Hold](#)




The New German Cookbook
More Than 230 Contemporary and Traditional Recipes
by Anderson, Jean
Book - 1993

Look first at the section on German beers, then chose recipes using traditional German ingredients from the kitchens of private German citizens as well as...[Show more](#)

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Highlight Online Resources



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Qello Concerts: Rock n Roll in your living room!

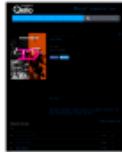
By:  PimaLib_AmyK
Pima County Public Library

[Staff-created list](#)

We've just added a great way for you to see some of your favorite bands in concert. Qello Concerts has all kinds of cool bands in live performance, and also has documentaries. Check it out!


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Duran Duran: A Diamond In The Mind
<https://qello.com/concert/A-Diamond-In-The-Mind-6442>
Web Resource

Talk about longevity. Duran Duran's been around for 40 years! I saw them back in the 80's and wasn't overly impressed and saw them again in 2012 and was VERY impressed. One of the best shows I've ever been to as it was pure fun!



Brian Setzer's Rockabilly Riot in Osaka
<https://qello.com/concert/Brian-Setzer-s-Rockabilly-Riot-Osaka-Rocka-Live-in-Japan-2016-7326>
Web Resource

I've seen Brian Setzer a number of times and he NEVER disappoints. Always well worth the money and you know he's still having a good time out there.

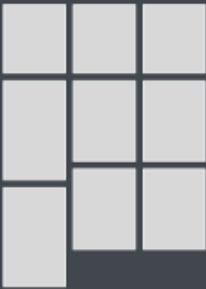


Blondie
<https://qello.com/concert/Queens-of-Pop-4200>
Web Resource

Besides concerts, Qello also has documentaries. Here's one about Deborah Harry, otherwise known as Blondie.



Highlight Online Resources




GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples


[Staff-created list](#)

In honour of International World Indigenous Peoples Day explore the stories of Indigenous peoples across the globe through film. Stream the Kanopy films instantly with your free Kanopy account and watch up to 10 films every month.

By:  Dieu D
Calgary Public Library

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Watch Children of the Arctic now | Kanopy

<https://www.kanopy.com/product/children-arctic>

Web Resource

A year-in-the-life portrait of Native Alaskan teenagers coming of age in Barrow, Alaska - the northern-most community of the United States.




Watch Samson & Delilah now | Kanopy

<https://www.kanopy.com/product/samson-delilah-0>

Web Resource

Winner of a Cannes Golden Camera Award, SAMSON & DELILAH is a captivating teenage love story about finding love in the contexts of class and aboriginal Australian culture.



Watch Crude: The Real Price of Oil now | Kanopy

<https://www.kanopy.com/product/crude-real-price-oil>


Web Resource

Three years in the making, Crude tells the epic story of one of the largest and most controversial legal cases on the planet: the infamous \$27 billion &qu...[Show more](#)




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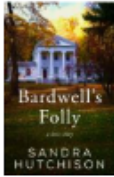
By:  SLPL_Trends
St. Louis Public Library

Boss, (cough) I'm (sniffle) sick today (cough, sniffle, cough) Spring 2017

Spring colds are the worst. Wink, wink. Well, we won't tell that you can't come in today because you were up all night reading these amazing books.


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Bardwell's Folly
A Love Story
by Hutchison, Sandra
Paperback - 2016

A mixture of romance, intrigue, family secrets, past lives, and a house that is as much a character as Tara was in "Gone With the Wind," create a spell-binding read that we couldn't put down.



Cooking for Picasso
by Aubray, Camille
Book - 2016

The plot weaves back and forth between 1936 and current time, but it is mostly Ondine's story. Still this family saga about three generations of women was...[Show more](#)



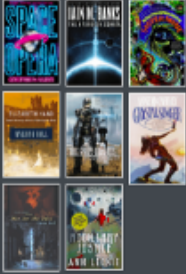
Everybody Kills Somebody Sometime
by Randisi, Robert J.
Book - 2006

The first in a series that features the coolest cats from the 1960s: the legendary Rack Pack. Along with a few real-life personalities dotting the supporting cast, we felt like we were hanging with Frank, Dean, Sammy, Peter and Joey.



Guides & Recommendations

Get niche




GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Maybe they can hear you sing in space, from Multcolib My Librarian Rachael


Staff-created list

Science fiction and fantasy novels featuring music.

By:  multcolib_rachael
Multnomah County Library

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Space Opera


by Valente, Catherynne M.

Book - 2018

First contact is made, and the aliens demand that humanity sing in an intergalactic competition. If Earthlings come in last they will be designated as non...[Show more](#)

All copies in use [Availability details](#)
Holds: 38 on 11 copies

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The Hydrogen Sonata


by Banks, Iain

Book - 2012

The Glzit have decided that they have passed the apex of their civilization and it is time to 'sublime' to a higher plane. While they wait, Vyr works on her dream of playing the Hydrogen Sonata, adding a couple of arms to her body to do so. Nothing goes as planned. Part of the sprawling Culture series, but can be read on its own. [Show less](#)

All copies in use [Availability details](#)
Holds: 1 on 5 copies

[Place a Hold](#)



Sister Mine

by Hopkinson, Nalo

Book - 2013

An urban fantasy novel about a family of gods. Sister Makeda doesn't have the magic that her sister does, but she has the power of music.


Available [in some locations](#)

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
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TOPIC GUIDE


While you wait for Ron Chernow's Alexander Hamilton

By:  cals_readers
Central Arkansas Library System

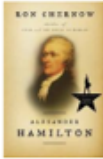
*With sincere apologies to Lin-Manuel Miranda.

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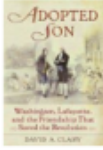
18 ITEMS




Hamilton
The Revolution : Being the Complete Libretto of the Broadway Musical, With A True Account of Its Creation, and Concise Remarks on Hip-hop, the Power of Stories, and the New America
by Miranda, Lin-Manuel
Book - 2016



Alexander Hamilton
by Chernow, Ron
Book - 2004
Historian Ron Chernow's biography that set off the Hamilton revolution. Also available in eBook.



Adopted Son
Washington, Lafayette, and the Friendship That Saved the Revolution
by Clary, David A.
Book - 2007
"Oui oui, mon ami, je m'appelle Lafayette! The Lancelot of the revolutionary set!"




Washington's Farewell
The Founding Father's Warning to Future Generations
by Avlon, John P.
Book - 2017
"Everyone shall sit under their own vine and fig tree And no one shall make them afraid."




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Explore genres and subgenres



GENRE GUIDE


Afrofuturism

By:  AL KASEY
Arapahoe Libraries

If you enjoyed the movie "Black Panther," you might be interested in these Afrofuturist titles. Afrofuturism is a fusion of sci-fi, fantasy, speculative fiction and Afrocentrism that gave "Black Panther" its special aesthetic. The genre is known for its gripping characters, magical elements and alternative histories.

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Parable of the Sower


by Butler, Octavia E

📖 Book - 2016

Octavia Butler is one of the most famous Afrofuturist authors. This series is considered to be one of her masterworks.

Available [in some locations](#)

[Place a Hold](#)



The Fifth Season


by Jemisin, N. K

📖 Book - 2015

The first novel in "The Broken Earth Series," "The Fifth Season" tells the story of an empire collapsing and a woman trying to find answers about her husband's murder and her daughter's kidnapping.

All copies in use [Availability details](#)

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Brown Girl in the Ring

by Hopkinson, Nalo

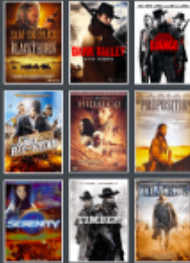
🔊 Downloadable Audiobook - 2011

Featuring a mixture of social criticism, strong female characters and magical powers, "Brown Girl in the Ring" is a classic of the Afrofuturist genre.

[Download eAudiobook](#) ➦



Explore genres and subgenres




GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Westerns not set in the American West


Staff-created list

Westerns as a genre may have arisen from the landscape of the American West, but they don't have to stay there.

By:  SPPL János
Saint Paul Public Library

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Blackthorn
DVD - 2011

Under an assumed name, an aged Butch Cassidy who survived his presumed 1908 death still rides the wilds of Bolivia.

Available [in some locations](#)

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The dark valley
DVD - 2015

Plenty of remote villages under the thumb of a strongman and his posse need a lone hero to free them, but this one is high in the Austrian Alps where the winter snow cuts off all escape.

All copies in use [Availability details](#)

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Django Unchained
DVD - 2013


Quentin Tarantino's bloody homage to spaghetti westerns is set in the American South.

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Celebrate Diversity



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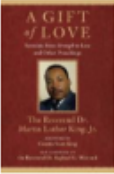
Mavericks, Non-Conformists, & Unorthodox Individuals in Black History

For Black History Month, we are remembering those in PCPL's collection who may have been considered a maverick, a non-conformist or unorthodox back in their days. These tenacious individuals broke through barriers of color and gender and made a difference. Satisfy your reading curiosity of these African Americans that took unique paths.


By:  PimaLib_AngelaH
Pima County Public Library

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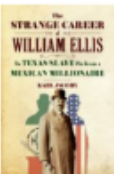
17 ITEMS



A Gift of Love
Sermons From Strength to Love and Other Preachings
by King, Martin Luther
Book - 2012



The Many Faces of Josephine Baker
Dancer, Singer, Activist, Spy
by Caravantes, Peggy
Book - 2015

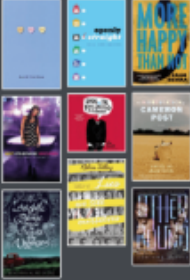


The Strange Career of William Ellis
The Texas Slave Who Became A Mexican Millionaire
by Jacoby, Karl
Book - 2016

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


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GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS


Offbeat LGBT Fiction

By:  [cals_readers](#)
Central Arkansas Library System

These books are not your typical LGBT love stories. Quirky, offbeat, and unusual - these titles will make you laugh, cry, and laugh again.


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10 ITEMS




Boy Meets Boy

by Levithan, David


 Book - 2003

David Levithan creates a world where teens happily coexist regardless of sexuality. It's a fairy tale land where jocks crossdress and cheerleaders ride Ha...[Show more](#)




Openly Straight

by Konigsberg, Bill


 Book - 2013

Author Bill Konigsberg flips the stereotypical YA - LGBT scenario on its head and the results are hilarious. You will question all kinds of assumptions about yourself and others before you hit the final page.



More Happy Than Not

by Silvera, Adam


 Book - 2015

Hilarious, heartbreaking, and gritty - this book by a debut author won several awards in 2015. The language and situations can get intense, but the payoff is immense. What would you do if you could forget who you are?




Guides & Recommendations

Educate on serious topics



GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS


Indigenous Reading List: Truth and Reconciliation

By:  **Calgary Library Adults**
Calgary Public Library

These titles are a guide for readers seeking more knowledge about reconciliation and Indigenous cultures. The works consider the broader context, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, stories and memoirs, and local viewpoints.

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8th Fire

Aboriginal Peoples, Canada & the Forward


DVD - 2012

A moving documentary focusing on Canada's relationship with First Nations communities and the way forward. "8TH Fire" draws from an Anishinaabe ...[Show more](#)

All copies in use. [Availability details](#)

Holds: 1 on 1 copy

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Children of the Broken Treaty

Canada's Lost Promise and One Girl's Dream

by Angus, Charlie


Book - 2015

This revealing read exposes a system of apartheid in Canada that led to the largest youth-driven human rights movement in the country's history. Inspired ...[Show more](#)

All copies in use. [Availability details](#)

Holds: 2 on 4 copies

Place a Hold



#IdleNoMore

And the Remaking of Canada

by Coates, Ken

Book - 2015

Idle No More is an ongoing protest movement, founded by four women in Saskatchewan. The movement is in response to Indigenous treaty rights issues. Idle N...[Show more](#)


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GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS


13 Books for Teens that Address Gun Violence

By:  SLPL Teens
St. Louis Public Library

In a time when acts of gun violence are reported with such regularity, it is helpful for young people to see the emotional consequences of these tragic events. The books in this list give readers the chance to understand the perspectives of different characters dealing with the effects of gun violence. Perspective, ultimately, is needed in the aftermath of all tragedies.

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13 ITEMS




Violent Ends

A Novel in Seventeen Points of View

Book - 2015

Told from 17 different points-of-view, "Violent Ends" is a collaboration of some of young adult literature's most recognizable names, including Neal and Brendon Shusterman and Beth Revis. Each voice gives readers a different perspective on a school's shooting that ultimately claimed six lives. [Show less](#)

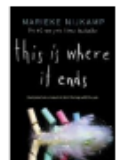


And We Stay

by Hubbard, Jenny

Book - 2014

High school student Emily leaves her school and familiar town after her boyfriend commits suicide. After moving Emily encounters the spirit of poet Emily Dickinson, which helps her grieve and recover from the loss.



This Is Where It Ends

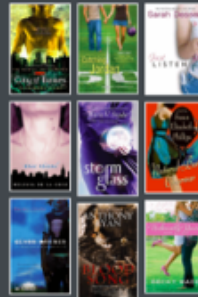
by Nijkamp, Marleke

Book - 2016

"Sometimes the most terrifying horrors are not those involving monsters out of fantasy but those taken straight from today's headlines. Nijkamp's debut follows four high school students on their first day of the spring semester in Opportunity, Ala. Over the course of 54 minutes-the amount of time a gunman holds their school hostage-their lives collide. Each of the four has an intimate connection to the shooter, and all must find a way to face the unfolding tragedy." -provided by Publishers Weekly [Show less](#)



Cover your bases



GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Off with your Head!

Books with covers that have peoples bodies but not their heads.

By:  **SPPL Aura**
Saint Paul Public
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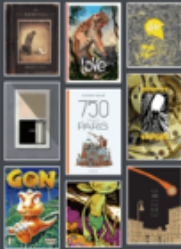
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