

Friends of the Library Book Club List 2026-27

July 14 - The Marriage of Opposites by Alice Hoffman. A luminous tale of a forbidden love story set on a tropical island about the extraordinary woman who gave birth to painter Camille Pissarro.

August 11 - The Monk of Mokha by Dave Eggers. A young Yemeni-American man who dreams of reviving Yemen's ancient coffee trade, following his journey from working as a doorman in San Francisco to traveling to his ancestral homeland only to be trapped in Sana'a by outbreak of civil war.

September 8 - Power of the Dog by Thomas Savage. Stunning American West story of domestic tyranny, brutal masculinity and thrilling defiance between two brothers, one is magnetic but cruel, the other gentle and quiet. A mother and son arrival on the brothers' ranch shatters a tenuous peace

October 13 - The Backyard Bird Chronicles by Amy Tan. Tan's "love of nature" began in childhood, paying closer attention to birds in 2016, she combined drawing lessons with birding.

November 10 - The Odyssey by Homer. 700 BCE translation by Emily Wilson, Norton 2017. One of the great classics of western literature, about Odysseus's ten-year journey home after the Trojan war.

December 8 - Random Acts of Medicine: The Hidden Forces That Sway Doctors, Impact Patients, and Shape Our Health by Anupam B. Jena; Christopher Worsham. Jena and Worsham show us how medicine really works, and its effect on all of us, the way our health is shaped by forces invisible to the untrained eye. Random Acts of Medicine empowers us to see what works.

January 12 - The Correspondent by Virginia Evans. Imagine, the letters one has sent out into the world, the letters received back in turn, are like the pieces of a magnificent puzzle, to think that a story of one's life is preserved in some way, that this very letter may one day mean something?

February 9 - The Aviator and the Showman: Amelia Earhart, George Putnam, and the Marriage that Made an American Icon by Laurie Shapiro. The Aviator and the Showman unveils the untold story of Amelia's decade-long marriage to George Putnam, offering an intimate exploration of their relationship and the pivotal role it played in her enduring legacy.

March 9 - What Kind of Paradise by Janelle Brown. A young girl being raised by her father in an isolated cabin near Bozeman. A page turner, the book raises interesting issues about the values and dangers of technology, as well as ethical issues about how to respond to these.

April 13 - Becoming Little Shell: A Landless Indian's Journey Home by Chris LaTray. Growing up in Montana, Chris La Tray always identified as Indian. Despite the fact that his father fiercely denied any connection, he found Indigenous people alluring, often recalling his grandmother's Chippewa heritage.

May 11 - My Friends by Fredrik Backman. Most people don't even notice them—three tiny figures sitting at the end of a long pier in the corner of one of the most famous paintings in the world. Most people think it's just a depiction of the sea. But Louisa, an aspiring artist herself, knows otherwise, and she is determined to find out the story of these three enigmatic figures.

June 15 - Missoula: Rape and the Justice System in a College Town by Jon Krakauer. A stark, powerful, meticulously reported narrative about a series of sexual assaults at the University of Montana, stories that illuminate the human drama behind the national plague of campus rape.