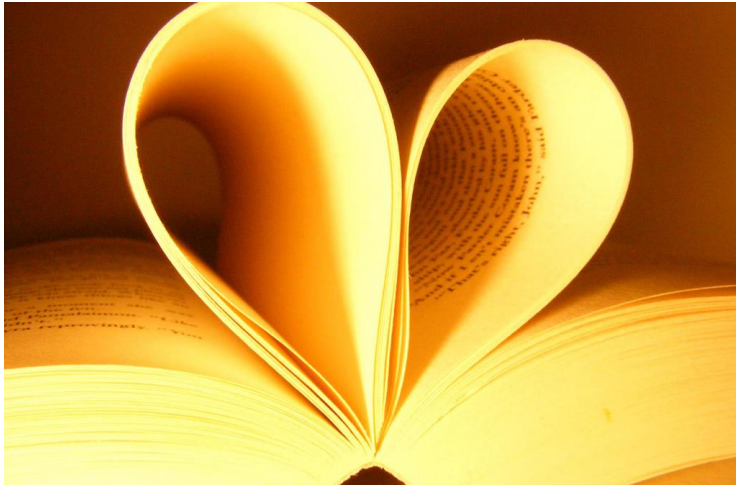


Open Book Hour



What Are You Reading? Tell us at Open Book Hour!

Come meet other readers and swap book recommendations at our monthly book social.

Open Book Hour meets on the second Friday of the month at 2 PM in Room 67A and you're invited!

The theme changes every month. Please join us and bring a book you'd like to tell people about!

Both fiction and nonfiction selections are always welcome.

No registration required

Doors open at 1:45 PM

Long Reads

Friday, June 8, 2018, 2-3 PM

Do you prefer long-term commitment to your reading? We're looking for long reads from all walks of literary and real life—fiction, classics, nonfiction, even textbooks you love. Share with fellow readers just what captured you and made you immerse yourself in these long and rewarding reads.

Beach Reads

Friday, July 13, 2018, 2-3 PM

What's your perfect beach book? Do you prefer something light and humorous or do you like to tackle weightier works as you relax in the sun? Is summer vacation time for the latest big book or something you've always meant to read? Come share your idea of a great beach read with us!

Literary Swindlers

Friday, August 10, 2018, 2-3 PM

From Dickens to detective novels, fiction is filled with swindlers—characters that lie, spin, or deceive to get ahead. Remembering Nixon's "I am not a crook" speech, come share your favorite fictional or documented deception, whether a character, a con artist, a stunning plot twist, or a surprising cover.

Bookish Best Friends

Friday, September 14, 2018, 2-3 PM

Frodo and Sam, Elena and Lila, Morrie and Mitch ... From fictional BFFs to real life pals, we'd love to hear about best friends you've met in books! Come tell us about your favorite friendships depicted on the page or about a character you'd like to have as your best friend.



Patron Picks from Open Book Hour

May 2018: Picture This! Comics & Graphic Novels

Fiction

100 Bullets by Brian Azarello & Eduardo Risso
The Illustrated Alchemist by Paulo Coelho. Art by Mobeus.
The Contract with God Trilogy by Will Eisner
I Killed Adolf Hitler by Jason
Supersnipe by Gregory Marcoux (out of print)
Kristy's Great Idea, graphic novel by Raina Telgemeier; adapted from Ann M. Martin's novel.
Y: The Last Man by Brian K. Vaughan, Pia Guerra & José Marzán, Jr.
Fables: Legends in Exile by Bill Willingham, Lan Medina & Steve Leialoha

Nonfiction

Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic by Alison Bechdel
The Best We Could Do: An Illustrated Memoir by Thi Bui
March by John Lewis, Andrew Aydin & Nate Powell
Persepolis by Marjane Satrapi
Maus: A Survivor's Tale by Art Spiegelman

April 2018: Celebrating Our Roots

Fiction

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part Time Indian by Sherman Alexie
Everyone Brave Is Forgiven by Chris Cleave
The Lilac Girls by Martha Hall
Lady of No Man's Land by Jeanne Williams

Nonfiction

Bronx Primitive: Portraits in a Childhood by Kate Simon (B Simon)
Nickel and Dime: On not Getting by in America by Barbara Ehrenreich (305.569 E)
Postwar Polish Poetry: An Anthology, selected and edited by Czesław Miłosz (891.851008 P)
CBGB's @ OMFUG by Hilly Kristal. Afterword by David Byrne. (927.84 K)

Find the annotated reading lists from Open Book Hour at: bit.ly/mmlpatronpicks

What to expect at an Open Book Hour:

1. Introduce your book with its title, author, publication date and genre (mystery, memoir, play, etc.). We sometimes need to limit to one book per person, depending on group size.
2. Tell us what it's about and why you loved it in two minutes or less.
3. We want to have fun, so no negative criticism please.
4. Learn about titles of books that you may enjoy and share with your friends.




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