

**** HOT TITLES COMING TO KILLINGWORTH LIBRARY IN AUGUST ****

FICTION

General Fiction

The Hundred Waters – Lauren Acampora. When Gabriel, a young artist-environmentalist arrives in the affluent town of Nearwater, Connecticut, former model and photographer Louisa Rader, who is trying to vitalize the provincial local art center, and her preteen daughter are pulled under his spell, with consequences that disrupt the Rader's world forever.

Other Birds – Sarah Addison Allen. From the *New York Times* best-selling author of *Garden Spells* comes an enchanting tale filled with magical realism and moments of pure love that won't let you go.

Rules at the School by the Sea: the Second School by the Sea Novel – Jenny Colgan. Engaged to her longtime boyfriend, Maggie Adair, a teacher at Downey House the sea in Cornwall, must stop thinking about her colleague at the boys' school down the road, while her boss, headmistress Veronica Deveral, must confront a scandalous secret she thought she'd buried forever.

The Last White Man – Mohsin Hamid. As people across the land awaken in new incarnations, Anders, whose skin turns dark, confides only in Oona, an old friend turned new lover, deciding to use this as chance at a kind of rebirth, in this novel of transcendence over bigotry, fear and anger.

Mika in Real Life – Emiko Jean. Getting to know Penny, the daughter she placed for adoption 16 years ago, 35-year-old Mika Suzuki finds unexpected love with Penny's widowed father and finally has a chance to have the life and family she's always wanted until her deceptions catch up with her.

Cyclorama – Adam Langer. Ten teenagers are brought together by a high school production of *The Diary of Anne Frank*—which will influence the rest of their lives.

When We Were Bright and Beautiful – Jillian Medoff. When her brother, a junior at Princeton, is arrested for assaulting his ex-girlfriend, 23-year-old Cassie Quinn, as reporters converge on her family's Upper East Side landmark building, vows to prove his innocence, which means exposing her own darkest secrets to the world.

Small Angels – Lauren Owen. Returning home for the first time in years for her brother's wedding, Kate must reconnect with the Gonnes sisters—especially Lucia, her first love—to protect the village from a menacing ghost lingering by the Small Angels church determined to destroy everything—and everyone—she loves.

A Map for the Missing – Belinda Huijuan Tang. A Chinese mathematician living in America returns to China after receiving word that his estranged father has vanished from his village, and reunites with a childhood friend he left behind as the pair search and grapple with their pasts.

Historical Fiction

Where the Sky Begins – Rhys Bowen. In 1940 London, during World War II, Josie, with nothing left and nowhere to go, ends up at the estate of the aristocratic Miss Harcourt, a reluctant host of the survivors of the Blitz, and convinces her to open a tea shop, seeing it as a chance for everyone to begin again.

The House of Fortune – Jessie Burton. A stand-alone companion novel to the *New York Times* best-seller *The Miniaturist* is alive with the magic of 18th-century Amsterdam.

Joan: a Novel of Joan of Arc – Katherine J. Chen. A secular reimagining of the epic life of Joan of Arc.

Mercury Pictures Presents – Anthony Marra. After America's entry into WWII, Maria Lagana, an associate producer at Mercury Pictures, rises through a maze of conflicting politics, divided loyalties and jockeying positions until a man from her imprisoned father's past threatens her carefully constructed facade.

The Many Daughters of Afong Moy – Jamie Ford. The *New York Times* best-selling author of *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* returns with a powerful exploration of the love that binds one family across the generations.

Afterlives – Abdulrazak Gurnah. A young man returns home years after being kidnapped to find his parents gone and his sister basically a slave in a multi-generational saga set during the colonization of east Africa that won the 2021 Nobel Prize in Literature.

Moth – Melody Razak. In 1946 Delhi, during the split of Pakistan from India, 14-year-old Alma, soon to be married, finds her family torn apart when her grandmother, determined to protect the family's honor at any cost, interferes with the engagement.

The Properties of Thirst – Marianne Wiggins. Set against the background of World War II, this novel about the meaning of family and the limitations of the American dream follows rancher Rocky Rhodes as he is faced with a threat greater than the LA Water Corporation he's battled for years—the building of a Japanese-American internment camp next to his ranch.

Mystery & Detective

The Hunt – Faye Kellerman. When the biological mother of Peter and his wife Rina's foster son is brutally beaten and her children taken, Peter, Rina and Gabe's biological father, a former hitman-turned-millionaire, race against time to rescue them, ending in an explosive confrontation from which no one will emerge unscathed.

Fox Creek – William Kent Krueger. Cork O'Conner tries to find his wife who had accompanied a mysterious stranger on a visit the ancient Ojibwe healer Henry Meloux before a group of mercenaries can in the latest novel of the series following *Desolation Mountain*.

Dirt Creek – Hayley Scrivenor. Detective Sergeant Sarah Michaels investigates the disappearance of a 12-year-old girl from a small town in rural Australia, who was last seen with a strange man by a schoolfriend who refuses to speak to the police.

To Kill a Troubadour – Martin Walker. When songwriter Joel Martin’s song is banned by the Spanish government, which puts him in the crosshairs of a killer, Bruno, as French and Spanish governments agree to mount a joint operation to stop the assailants, must track down the extremists.

Romance

Mr. Perfect on Paper – Jean Meltzer. The founder of J-Mate, the world’s most successful Jewish dating app, Dara Rabinowitz, when her beloved bubbe outs her list for “The Perfect Jewish Husband” on a TV news show, is thrust into the spotlight as she, with the help of a reporter, searches for true love.

The Lost Ticket – Freya Sampson. Arriving in London, brokenhearted Libby Nichols meets elderly Frank who has been riding the bus for 60 years, hoping to find a girl he met in 1962, and decides to help him search, finding her tightly controlled world expanding as she opens her heart to new friendships and romance.

The Challenge – Danielle Steel. When their children go missing, a group of parents, desperate to hear word that they’ve been found, a media frenzy ensures, heightening tensions and testing some already fragile relationships, forcing them all to reconsider what they once held dear.

Science Fiction

The Book Eaters – Sunyi Dean. Part of The Family, a secret line of people for whom books are food, Devon, raised on a carefully curated diet of fairytales and cautionary stories, discovers that real life doesn’t always come with happy endings when her son is born with an insatiable hunger for human minds.

Babel: or the Necessity of Violence: an Arcane History of the Oxford Translators Revolution – R. F. Kuang. A Chinese boy orphaned by cholera and raised in Britain is trained to work at Oxford’s prestigious Royal Institute of Translation, the world’s center for translation and magic through silver working where must choose between competing loyalties.

Story Collections

Cat Brushing – Jane Campbell. A collection of stories that follows a group of older women fighting to live the rest of their lives on their own terms, whether its having an intense nursing home or accidentally attending the funeral of a former boyfriend.

Suspense

Traitor’s Dance – Jeff Abbott. While running his collection of bars and nightclubs around the world and trying to be a good suburban dad, undercover agent Sam Capra must track down the last American traitor, while facing a threat born of long-ago secrets that could change his and his son’s lives forever.

Overkill – Sandra Brown. When Eban, the scion of a wealthy North Carolina family who brutally attacked Rebecca Pratt, leaving her on life support, gets an early release from prison, brilliant state prosecutor Kate Lennon asks former Super Bowl MVP quarterback—and Rebecca’s ex-husband—to make an impossible decision for justice.

Wake – Shelley Burr. Living alone on her family’s sheep farm in Australia, Mina McCreery, whose sister disappeared 19 years earlier, places her trust in a young private investigator until his darker motivation is revealed, ultimately risking their lives and yielding shocking results.

A Tidy Ending – Joanna Cannon. A British housewife living in a quiet neighborhood becomes obsessed with the former resident of her new house and her seemingly envious lifestyle while her husband starts acting suspicious and young women in town start to go missing.

Reckoning – Catherine Coulter. Agent Savich is called in to help a commonwealth attorney put the big-time criminal responsible for her parents’ deaths behind bars, while Agent Sherlock is assigned to protect a 12-year-old piano prodigy—and granddaughter of a powerful crime boss— from would-be kidnappers.

Haven – Emma Donoghue. Two monks leave seventh-century Ireland in a boat searching for an isolated spot to found a new monastery, but instead drift out to sea and wind up on a bare, steep island inhabited by thousands of birds.

Daisy Darker – Alice Feeney. A family gathering for their matriarch's 80th birthday in her crumbling, gothic house on a tiny island begin disappearing one by one in the new novel from the *New York Times* best-selling author of *Rock Paper Scissors*.

The Housekeeper – Joy Fielding. Hiring a housekeeper named Elyse to help care for her father and his wife Audrey, who has Parkinson’s, successful real estate agent Jodi Bishop soon discovers that the attractive 60-something widow is attempting to take over their lives when Audrey’s condition rapidly worsens.

The Ink Black Heart – Robert Galbraith. This sixth novel in the highly acclaimed, internationally best-selling series finds Cormoran and Robin ensnared in yet another case filled with twists and turns.

Alias Emma – Ava Glass. A brand new secret agent, Emma Makepeace, is tasked with having only 12 hours to bring the son of Russian dissidents into protective custody while avoiding the assassins looking for him in one of the world's most-surveilled cities.

Stay Awake – Megan Goldin. Liv Reese, waking up holding a bloodstained knife and her hands covered in scribbled messages, remembers nothing from the past two years and goes on the run for a crime she doesn’t remember committing, followed by someone who will do anything to stop her from remembering—permanently.

The Family Remains – Lisa Jewell. In this sequel to the best-selling *The Family Upstairs*, two women are faced with complicated mysteries that are linked to a cold case that left three people dead in a Chelsea mansion 30 years ago.

The Lost Kings – Tyrell Johnson. Jamie, keeping her demons at bay by drinking too much, sleeping with a married man and speaking to a therapist she doesn’t respect, must finally confront her father after 20 years, desperate to find out what happened that night long ago and why she was the one left behind.

Wrong Place Wrong Time – Gillian McAllister. Follows a mother who witnesses her teenage son stab a man and then seizes on an unconventional way to try to save him.

Babysitter – Joyce Carol Oates. The lives of three individuals, including the wife of a prominent businessman who is having an affair, a street hustler seeking to right an injustice and a serial killer called Babysitter, intersect in a Detroit suburb in the 1970s.

The Ninth Month – James Patterson. Landing in the hospital where it is revealed she is pregnant, successful marketing executive Emily Atkinson, as women in her wealthy social circles go missing, finds her pregnancy becoming decidedly high-risk as a faceless enemy follows her every move.

Do No Harm – Robert Pobi. A series of suicides and accidental deaths in the medical community are actually well-disguised murders and only Lucas Page can see the pattern and discern the truth that no one else believes.

Girl, Forgotten – Karin Slaughter. Forty years after Emily Vaughn was murdered on her prom night, US Marshal Andrea Oliver picks up the cold case to find justice in the follow-up to the *New York Times* best-selling novel *Pieces of Her*.

Black Dog – Stuart Woods. Introduced to a glamorous Manhattan socialite, Stone Barrington discovers his new companion has ties to a nefarious enemy who will stop at nothing to get what he wants, in the latest addition to the series following *A Safe House*.

NONFICTION

Asian American Histories of the United States – Catherine Ceniza Choy. An inclusive and landmark history emphasizes how essential Asian American experiences are to any understanding of U.S. history.

Mindreader: the New Science of Deciphering What People Really Think, What They Really Want, and Who They Really Are – David J. Lieberman. A *New York Times* best-selling author and longtime consultant to the FBI, CIA and NSA takes “people reading” to a whole new level, showing readers how to apply cutting-edge methods to countless everyday situations.

Deer Creek Drive: a Reckoning of Memory and Murder in the Mississippi Delta – Beverly Lowry. Describes the 1948 murder of Southern society matron Idella Thompson, who was stabbed 150 times while home alone with her daughter, who was convicted of the murder and later freed in a tale of white privilege that still resonates today.

A Path Lit by Lightning: the Life of Jim Thorpe – David Maraniss. A Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist presents this riveting new biography of America’s greatest all-around athlete and gold medal winner who survived racism, alcohol addiction, broken marriages and financial distress to become a myth and a legend.

A Place in the World: Finding the Meaning of Home – Frances Mayes. The #1 *New York Times* best-selling author of *Under the Tuscan Sun* turns her focus to the comforts of home and the things that inhabit them in this collection of personal stories.

Lethal Tides: Mary Sears and the Marine Scientists Who Helped Win World War II – Catherine Mosemeche. Weaving together science, biography and military history, this story of the virtually unknown woman known as “the first oceanographer of the Navy” recounts how her groundbreaking research turned the tide of World War II.

Acceptance: a Memoir – Emi Nietfeld. The writer and software engineer looks back her dysfunctional childhood, years as a homeless teenager and eventual graduation from Harvard and how society's fixation on resilience comes with a terrible cost.

Diana, William & Harry – James Patterson. The world's best-selling author examines the heartbreaking story of Princess Diana, taken from her sons William and Harry at a painfully young age, and how they carried on her name and spirit into adulthood.

Swerve or Die: Life at My Speed in the First Family of Nascar Racing – Kyle Petty. A third generations racer, current NASCAR commentator and one of the most beloved figures in the sport, through deeply personal stories from his racing career, talks about the biggest stars, the most exciting races, the tough, defining issues the sport has had to face and his vision for NASCAR's future.

The Neuroscience of You: How Every Brain is Different and How to Understand Yours – Chantel Prat. Featuring real-world examples, tests and quizzes, this revelatory book, through unique and surprising research, shows how each brain is actually very different, both in structure and function, exactly why these variations are important and what it means for all of us.

Sinkable: Obsession, the Deep Sea, and the Shipwreck of the Titanic – Daniel Stone. In this fascinating work of personal journalism, the author discusses the *Titanic* as a shipwreck, exploring generations of eccentrics who attempted to raise it, and then turns inward to his own obsession with the *Titanic* and shipwrecks in general.

Imagine a City: a Pilot's Journey Across the Urban World – Mark Vanhoenacker. A commercial airline pilot and writer shares and expansive travelogue of his two decades crossing the skies of our planet and touching down in dozens of the storied cities he imagined as a child.

Nomad Century: How Climate Migration Will Reshape Our World – Gaia Vince. An urgent investigation of the most underreported, seismic consequence of climate change: how it will force us to change where—and how—we live.

Dancing Cockatoos and the Dead Man Test: How Behavior Evolves and Why It Matters – Marlene Zuk. Looks at the complicated evolution of animal behavior animal behavior, including intelligence, mating patterns an ability to fight disease and how it can be remarkably similar to that of humans.

**ANYTHING WE'VE MISSED?
SOMETHING YOU'D RECOMMEND?
LET US KNOW!**

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