

## **\*\* HOT TITLES COMING TO KILLINGWORTH LIBRARY IN JANUARY \*\***

### **FICTION**

#### **Fantasy & Science Fiction**

Emily Wilde's Encyclopedia of Faeries – Heather Fawcett. A Cambridge professor, scholar and researcher on the study of faeries visits the hardscrabble village of Hransvik where she gets closer to uncovering the secrets of the Hidden Ones and resists her insufferably handsome academic rival.

How to Sell a Haunted House – Grady Hendrix. Forced to return to the small Southern town where she grew up to sell her late parents' house, Louise discovers that her and her brother's old grudges pale in comparison to the terror that still lurks within its walls.

The Terraformers – Annalee Newitz. As part of the Environmental Rescue Team, Destry is dedicated to terraforming the planet Sask-E until she discovers a city full of people that shouldn't exist, and as she uncovers more about their past, she starts to question the mission she's devoted her life to.

#### **General Fiction**

Love, Clancy: Diary of a Good Dog – W. Bruce Cameron. Told from the viewpoint of Clancy, a very good dog who keeps a diary, this deeply moving story follows an unforgettable cast of characters as they jointly and separately navigate the challenges of life, of love and of other pets, including Clancy's worst enemy.

This Other Eden – Paul Harding. From the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Tinkers* comes a novel inspired by the true story of Malaga Island, an isolated island off the coast of Maine that became one of the first racially integrated towns in the Northeast.

Really Good, Actually – Monica Heisey. Determined to embrace her new life as a Surprisingly Young Divorcee, 29-year-old Maggie, with the help of her tough-loving academic advisor, her newly divorced friend and her group chat, barrels through her first year of singledom, searching for what truly makes her happy.

Age of Vice – Deepti Kapoor. After a speeding car kills five people late at night in New Delhi, the driver, a shell-shocked servant is unable to explain the series of strange events that lead to the crime.

River Sing Me Home – Eleanor Shearer. A redemptive story of a mother's gripping journey across the Caribbean to find her stolen children in the aftermath of slavery.

The Bandit Queens – Parini Shroff. Considered a "self-made" widow after the disappearance of her husband, Geeta, when other women in the village ask her for help in getting rid of their own no-good husbands, must decide how far she is willing to go to protect her fearsome reputation and the life she's built.

Maame – Jessica St. George. A young British Ghanaian woman navigates her 20s and finds her place in the world.

## Historical Fiction

The Mitford Affair – Marie Benedict. After her sister Diana divorces her wealthy husband to marry a fascist leader and her sister Unity follows Diana to Munich, inciting rumors that she's become Hitler's mistress, novelist Nancy Mitford, after uncovering disquieting documents, must make difficult choices as Great Britain goes to war with Germany.

The Night Travelers – Armando Lucas Correa. Separated by time but united by sacrifice, four women experience love, loss, war and hope from the rise of Nazism to the fall of the Berlin Wall as they embark on journeys of self-discovery and find themselves to be living testaments to the power of maternal love.

Night Wherever We Go – Tracey Rose Peyton. A debut novel about a group of enslaved women staging a covert rebellion against their owners.

## Mystery & Detective

Better the Blood – Michael Bennett. Hana Westerman, a Maori detective juggling career pressures, single motherhood and endemic prejudice investigates two ritualistic murders that have a chilling connection to the execution of a Maori Chief during the bloody British colonization of New Zealand 160 years prior.

Exiles – Jane Harper. A federal investigator, Aaron Falk, investigates the disappearance of young mother who left her baby alone in a festival crowd and vanished in the latest novel from the *New York Times* best-selling author of *The Dry*.

Murder Book – Thomas Perry. An ex-cop takes on a widespread criminal organization targeting midwestern towns.

The Cabinet of Dr. Leng – Douglas Preston. As Constance finds her way back to New York City in the late 1800s to prevent the death of her siblings and stop serial killer, Dr. Enoch Leng, FBI Special Agent Pendergast desperately tries to find a way to reunite with her before it's too late.

Everyone In My Family Has Killed Someone – Benjamin Stevenson. A new novel blends both classic and modern murder mystery.

City Under One Roof – Iris Yamashita. A stranded detective tries to solve a murder in a tiny Alaskan town where everyone winters in the same high-rise building, in this gripping debut by an Academy Award-nominated screenwriter.

## Romance

Sleep No More – Jayne Ann Krentz. Hoping to connect with others who also had a lost night they can't remember, Pallas, after receiving a tip on her podcast, travels to a small college town to explore an abandoned asylum where she helps her mysterious tipster investigate a murder that is connected to them both.

Without a Trace – Danielle Steel. After surviving a car accident off the Normandy coast, Charles Vincent, trapped in a loveless marriage, meets Aude Saint-Martin with whom he forms an instant connection as she nurses him back to health and decides, in a split second, to fight for a chance at happiness – whatever the cost.

## Suspense

Locust Lane – Stephen Amidon. When three teenagers – Hannah, a sweet girl with an unstable history; Jack, the popular kid with a mean streak; and Christopher – an outsider desperate to fit in – become suspects in the murder of a fellow student, their parents will do anything to protect them, even at the others' expense.

Blaze Me a Sun – Christoffer Carlsson. A Swedish police officer obsessed with a serial killer that became active in 1986, on the same night the prime minister was assassinated, fails to solve the case until a novelist returns to Halland and begins interviewing him decades later.

The Shards – Brett Easton Ellis. In 1981 Los Angeles, 17-year-old Bret and his friends at the exclusive Buckley prep school welcome new student Robert Mallory into their fold until Mallory's unsettling preoccupation with the Trawler, a serial killer targeting teenagers throughout the city, takes a horrific turn.

The Twyford Code – Janice Hallett. A new novel explores the mysterious connection between a teacher's disappearance and an unsolved code in a children's book.

The Villa – Rachel Hawkins. While on a girls trip to Italy with her best friend Chess, Emily discovers their high-end villa was once the scene of a brutal murder, and, digging into the past, finds the truth seeping into the present as dangerous betrayals emerge.

The House at the End of the World – Dean Koontz. Alone on Jacob's Ladder island until two agents arrive in search of someone – or something – they refuse to identify, artist Katie, along with a brave young girl, finds herself in an epic and terrifying battle with a mysterious enemy that could bring about the end of the world.

Just the Nicest Couple – Mary Kubica. When her husband Jack vanishes without a trace, Nina Hayes will stop at nothing to uncover the truth, which, unbeknownst to her, is inextricably linked to their close friends, who may have been the last to see Jake before he went missing.

What Lies in the Woods – Kate Alice Marshall. Twenty-two years after her best friend was attacked in the woods, surviving seventeen stab wounds, Naomi Shaw, who has a secret worth killing for, returns home when the man responsible dies in prison to find out what really happened, no matter how dangerous the truth may be.

The House of Wolves – James Patterson. Jenny Wolf's murdered father has left her in charge of a multi-billion-dollar empire—a newspaper, a football team, a holding company ... and a dysfunctional family that knows no bounds.

You Must Remember This – Kat Rosenfield. When 85-year-old Miriam Caravasios slips through the ice to her death, Delphine, a frightened and insecure young woman who adored her grandmother, falls under scrutiny when it is revealed that Miriam's will cut off her children, leaving her almost everything and emboldening her to find the truth.

Regrets Only – Kieran Scott. A single mom goes undercover to investigate a host of disturbing secrets held by the leaders of A local suburban parent-school association, including embezzlement, bribery, adultery, and murder.

The Devil's Ransom – Brad Taylor. When his covert company, along with every other entity in the Taskforce, is hit with a ransomware attack linked to the Taliban, Pike must stop a plot to alter the balance of power on the global stage orchestrated by a former NSA specialist in the U.S. government.

The Devil You Know – P. J. Tracy. When a beloved actor is found dead the day after a fake video ruins his career, LAPD Detective Margaret Nolan uncovers a scandalous deception of deadly proportions that shakes the very foundation of Hollywood and its untouchables.

The Drift – C. J. Tudor. Hannah, trapped with a handful of survivors after an accident; Meg, stranded in a cable car high above snowy mountains with five strangers; and Carter, plunged into darkness at an isolated ski chalet, are all faced with something that threatens to consume all of humanity.

All the Dangerous Things – Stacy Willingham. After her son is kidnapped while sleeping in his crib, a mother agrees to be interviewed by a true-crime podcaster with ulterior motives in the new novel from the best-selling author of *A Flicker in the Dark*.

## **NONFICTION**

Koala: a Natural History and an Uncertain Future – Danielle Clode. An Australian biologist combines evolutionary biology, natural history, and ecology and takes readers on a surprising and delightful journey into the world of koalas, exploring their complex relationship with their modern habitat and their unexpected connections with humans.

The Nazi Conspiracy: the Secret Plot to Kill Roosevelt, Stalin, and Churchill – Brad Meltzer. In this gripping true story of daring rescues, body doubles and political intrigue, the *New York Times* best-selling authors of *The First Conspiracy* and *The Lincoln Conspiracy* reveal the Nazi's plans to kill FDR, Joseph Stalin and Winston Churchill – an assassination plot that would've changed history.

Unraveling: What I Learned About Life While Shearing Sheep, Dyeing Wool, and Making the World's Ugliest Sweater – Peggy Orenstein. The author sets out to make a sweater from scratch—shearing, spinning, dyeing wool—and in the process discovers how we find our deepest selves through craft.

A Few Days Full of Trouble: Revelations on the Journey to Justice for My Cousin and Best Friend, Emmett Till – Wheeler Parker. The last surviving eyewitness to the 1955 lynching of 14-year-old Emmett Till tells the story of the case that ignited the civil rights movement, as well as memories of Till as a boy and insights into the investigation.

On Savage Shores: How Indigenous Americans Discovered Europe – Caroline Dodds Pennock. Drawing on surviving their literature and poetry, one of the world's foremost authorities on Mesoamerica presents a sweeping account of the Indigenous American

presence in, and impact on, early modern Europe, shattering our previous Eurocentric understanding of the Age of Discovery.

Code Name Blue Wren: the True Story of America's Most Dangerous Female Spy – and the Sister She Betrayed – Jim Popkin. Describes the true crime story of Ana Montes, a superstar of the US Intelligence community who had recently won a prestigious fellowship at the CIA was arrested and publicly exposed as a secret agent for Cuba.

The Good Life: Lessons from the World's Longest Scientific Study of Happiness – Robert Waldinger. Looks at what science has to say about what a person needs for a happy, fulfilling life.

Master Slave Husband Wife: an Epic Journey from Slavery to Freedom – Ilyon Woo. The remarkable true story of Ellen and William Craft, who escaped slavery through daring, determination, and disguise, with Ellen passing as a wealthy, disabled White man and William posing as "his" slave.

**ANYTHING WE'VE MISSED?  
SOMETHING YOU'D RECOMMEND?  
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