

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

FICTION

Fantasy & Science Fiction

The Spite House – Johnny Compton. Eric Ross, on the run from a mysterious past with his two daughters in tow, takes a job as the caretaker of a house that is reputed to be haunted.

VenCo – Cherie Dimaline. After finding a tarnished silver spoon humming with otherworldly energy, Métis millennial Lucky St. James, familiar with the magic of her Indigenous ancestors, and her cantankerous grandmother Stella are welcomed into the fold of Ven.Co – a network of witches working to return women to their rightful power.

Don't Fear the Reaper – Stephen Graham Jones. Returning to rural Proofrock after being released from prison, Jade Daniels runs afoul of a convicted serial killer, who escapes from a prison transfer in a blizzard in the second novel of the series following *My Heart is a Chainsaw*.

The Cradle of Ice – James Rollins. Bonded by fate and looming disaster, a soldier, a thief, a lost prince and a young girl, hunted by hostile enemies and surrounded by war, must travel into a vast region of ice and to a sprawling capital of the world they've only known in stories.

Arch-Conspirator – Veronica Roth. Feeling uncontrollable rage toward her militant uncle Kreon who is rising to claim her father's vacant throne, Antigone and her siblings, welcomed into his mansion, become captives as well as guests, but her uncle will soon learn that no cage is unbreakable – and neither is he.

Victory City – Salman Rushdie. Giving rise to the great city Bisnaga, a wonder of the world, Pampa Kampana, the vessel for her namesake, the goddess Pampa, who has given her powers beyond her comprehension, attempts, over the centuries, to make good on the task the goddess set for her: women equal agency in a patriarchal world.

General Fiction

A Spell of Good Things – Ayobami Adebayo. The lives of two Nigerians, Eniola, who spends his days running small errands and begging and Wuraola, an exhausted young doctor from a wealthy family, are intertwined when sudden violence shatters them both.

Black Candle Women – Diane Marie Brown. Follows four generations of the Montrose family, who have been living with a curse that leaves any person they fall in love with dead, stemming back to a Voodoo sorceress in 1950s New Orleans' French Quarter.

Stone Blind – Natalie Haynes. Attacked by Poseidon in Athene's temple, Medusa, the most beautiful of the Gorgon sisters, is punished for his actions and transformed into a monster whose gaze will turn any living creature to stone, forcing her into a life of solitude until Perseus embarks upon a fateful quest.

I Have Some Questions for You – Rebecca Makkai. A successful film professor returns to teach at her alma mater and becomes determined to investigate a closed murder case in the new novel from the author of the Pulitzer Prize and National Book Award finalist *The Great Believers*.

On the Savage Side – Tiffany McDaniel. When the bodies of six women are found in their rural Ohio town, twins sisters Arcade and Daffodil are forced to reckon with the past while the killer circles closer, and Arcade finds her promise to keep herself and her sister safe becoming increasingly desperate.

The Sun Walks Down – Fiona McFarlane. A new novel tells the many-voiced, many-sided story of a boy lost in colonial Australia.

When the Moon Turns Blue – Pamela Terry. When an act of vandalism divides her small-town Georgia community, Marietta, recently widowed, is left to question many of her preconceived notions about her friends and family as she tries to salvage these connections in a world where these divides can no longer be ignored.

Historical Fiction

The Shadow of Perseus – Claire Heywood. This clever and female-centered reimagining of the myth of the great hero Perseus is told through the voices of three women – his mother Danae, his trophy Medusa and his wife Andromeda – whose viewpoints reveal a man who is not, in fact, a hero at all.

Code Name Sapphire – Pam Jenoff. Inspired by true events, follows the story of a female World War II resistance fighter who risks her life and secret organization to save her family in the new novel from the best-selling author of *The Lost Girls of Paris*.

Essex Dogs – Dan Jones. A group of unruly archers and men-at-arms land on the beaches of Normandy in 1346 to fight for the throne in the fiction debut of the best-selling New York Times historian behind *Powers* and *Thrones*.

Looking for Jane – Heather Marshall. A woman discovers a mysterious letter with a life-shattering confession and her search for the recipient leads her back to the 1970s when a group of brave women operated an illegal, underground abortion network in Toronto simply called "Jane."

Homestead – Melinda Moustakis. From National Book Foundation 5 Under 35 honoree and Flannery O'Connor Award comes a debut novel set in 1950s Alaska, about the turbulent marriage of two unlikely homesteaders.

Mystery & Detective

A Killing of Innocents – Deborah Crombie. Detective Superintendent Duncan Kincaid and his sergeant, Doug Cullen, investigate the stabbing murder of a trainee doctor at a local hospital in the nineteenth novel of the series following *A Bitter Feast*.

The Sanctuary – Katrine Engberg. While staying in Bornholm for the winter, Jeppe Kørner is drawn into a sinister mystery rooted in the past when an investigation into a severed corpse in Copenhagen leads Anette Werner to this seemingly peaceful refuge, and together they must unravel the island's secrets to stop a brutal killer.

Murder Your Employer: the McMasters Guide to Homocide – Rupert Holmes. Preparing you for an education you'll never forget, this introduction to The McMasters Conservatory, dedicated to the consummate execution of homicidal arts, follows students as they prepare for graduation by getting away with the perfect murder of someone whose death will make the world a much better place to live.

Encore in Death – J. D. Robb. Eve Dallas investigates after one half of a celebrity couple falls to the floor dead after making a toast at an event attended by A-listers in the latest addition to the long-running series following *Secrets in Death*.

The Cliff's Edge – Charles Todd. In the wake of WWI, former battlefield nurse Bess Crawford is drawn into a deadly feud between two families that sets in motion a revelation with the potential to change the loves of those she loves most.

Romance

Secretly Yours – Tessa Bailey. Returning home to his family's winery, Professor Julian Vos, on sabbatical from his ivy league job, finds himself distracted from his plans to write a novel by eccentric, chronically late, unbelievably beautiful gardener Hallie Welch, who is a burst of color in his gray-scale life.

Never Never – Colleen Hoover. The #1 New York Times best-selling author of *It Starts with Us* joins forces with the New York Times best-selling author of *The Wives* have created a gripping, twisty, romantic mystery.

Someone Else's Shoes – Jojo Moyes. When she accidentally takes the wrong gym bag, Sam Kemp tries on a pair of six-inch high Christian Louboutin red crocodile shoes that give her the confidence to change her life, while the shoes' owner tries to cling to her glamorous life after her husband cuts her off.

Story Collections

Wilderness Tales: Stories of the American Wild – edited by Diana Fuss. Featuring the works of Wallace Stegner, Annie Proulx, Ernest Hemingway, Margaret Atwood, L. Frank Baum, William Faulkner and Ray Bradbury, this masterful collection of short stories about North American outdoor life – both classic and contemporary – summons our close and imagined encounters with all things wild.

Suspense

The Writing Retreat – Julia Bartz. While attending a month-long writing retreat at the estate of a feminist horror writer who issues a life-changing challenge, Alex, determined to win this seemingly impossible contest, ignores the strange happenings around her until the disappearance of a fellow writer leads her on a desperate search for the truth.

Storm Watch – C. J. Box. After finding the frozen and mutilated body of a man killed near the location of a mysterious high-tech structure, Wyoming game warden Joe Pickett finds his investigation obstructed by federal agents, extremists and the governor and must find away around them to stop the oncoming storm of peril.

Stone Cold Fox – Rachel Koller Croft. After years of perfecting the art of the con, Bea sets her sights on Collin Case, the heir to one of the country's wealthiest families, but Collin's childhood best friend stands in her way, forcing her to cat-and-mouse game that becomes a matter of life and death.

It's One of Us – J. T. Ellison. A successful interior designer who keeps failing in her quest to conceive is shocked when she learns that a suspect in a recent murder investigation is her husband's son from a long-ago donation to a sperm bank.

The Last Orphans – Gregg Hurwitz. When one little mistake lands him under the control of the President, who makes him a deal – eliminate a man she considers too dangerous to live and she'll guarantee his survival, Evan Smoak, a former Orphan assassin, must choose between his principles and his life

More Than Meets the Eye – Iris Johansen. When brutal murders with the same signature as serial killer James Michael Barrett mysteriously continue after his death, FBI consultant Kendra Michaels teams up with the only survivor of Barrett's attacks and soon discovers the killer has a terrifying plan that they are only beginning to understand. 100,000 first printing.

Unnatural History – Jonathan Kellerman. When a wealthy photographer, who had recently received rave media attention for his images of homeless people in their personal "dream" situations, is shot to death, Dr. Alex Delaware and Detective Milo Sturgis, when new murders arise, are confronted by one of the deadliest threats they've ever faced.

The Angel Maker – Alex North. From the New York Times best-selling author of The Whisper Man and The Shadows comes a dark, suspenseful new thriller about the mysteries of fate, the unbreakable bond of siblings and a notorious serial killer who was said to know the future.

3 Days to Live – James Patterson. Three new thriller-novellas from the world's best-selling author include the tales of a honeymooning CIA agent who is poisoned and a pair of grifters who attempt to take control of the home of a murdered L.A. doctor.

Lying Beside You – Michael Robotham. Successful psychologist and massacre survivor Cyrus Haven must cope with his brother's release from prison while investigating the murder of a man and the kidnapping of his daughter in the third novel of the series following When She Was Good.

The House Guest – Hank Phillippi Ryan. Making a new friend, one who's running from a dangerous relationship of her own, Alyssa Macallan, at the mercy of her wealthy and powerful husband, offers Bree Lorraine the safety of her guest house who in turn makes a tempting offer on how they can solve each others' problems.

Cold People – Tom Rob Smith. A mysterious force captures Earth and gives humanity 30 days to move to Antarctica, where they will be allowed to exist and survive in the planet's most extreme environment in the new novel by the best-selling author of Child 44.

It Ends at Midnight – Harriet Tyce. Murder stalks a group of people as a terminally ill woman aims to renew her vows with her partner ... and settles other affairs.

NONFICTION

The New Guys: the Historic Class of Astronauts That Broke Barriers and Changes the Face of Space Travel – Meredith Bagby. Telling their stories for the first time ever, NASA's barrier-breaking Astronaut Class of 1978, dubbed "The New Guys," share their experiences pioneering the Shuttle program, which defined a generation of space travel, and helped build a dream of a new American century in space.

The Ship Beneath the Ice: the Discovery of Shackleton's Endurance – Mensun Bound. A renowned marine biologist presents this extraordinary firsthand account of the discovery of Ernest Shackleton's Endurance a century to the day after Shackleton's death that captures the intrepid spirit that joins two mariners across the centuries – both of whom accomplished the impossible.

The Darkness Manifesto: On Light Pollution, Night Ecology, and the Ancient Rhythms That Sustain Life – Johan Eklof. A Swedish conservationist and bat scientist, in this persuasive, meticulously researched book, urges us to appreciate natural darkness, its creatures and its unique benefits for the sake of the environment, our own wellbeing and all life on earth.

Myth America: Historians Take On the Biggest Legends and Lies About Our Past – Kevin Kruse. America's top historians set the record straight on the most pernicious myths about our nation's past.

American Inheritance: Liberty and Slavery in the Birth of a Nation, 1765-1795 – Edward J. Larson. From a Pulitzer Prize winner comes a history that reveals how the twin strands of liberty and slavery were joined in the nation's founding.

Empress of the Nile: the Daredevil Archaeologist Who Saved Egypt's Ancient Temples – Lynne Olson. Tells the story of Christiane Desroches-Noblecourt, a French archaeologist who led the international effort to save ancient Egyptian temples from the floodwaters of the Aswan Dam as well as her activities during the French Resistance in World War II.

Walk the Blue Line: True Stories from Officers Who Protect and Serve – James Patterson. Presents the dramatic true stories, told in their own words, of the patrol officers and K9 handlers, sheriffs and detectives who risk their lives every day to protect and serve, revealing what it's really like to wear the uniform and carry the weight of the responsibility they've been given.

We Should Not Be Friends: the Story of a Friendship – Will Schwalbe. Tracing an extraordinary, life-changing college friendship over decades of challenge and change, this warm, funny and irresistible book follows the author as he, joining a little-known secret society at Yale, finds an unlikely friend in a physically imposing, loud, star wrestler determined to become a Navy SEAL.

Drama Free: a Guide to Managing Unhealthy Family Relationships – Nedra Glover Tawwab. The author of the New York Times bestseller Set Boundaries, Find Peace presents a guide for overcoming family struggles such as the trauma of emotional neglect, the legacy of addicted parents and mental health issues.

The Climate Book: the Facts and the Solutions – Greta Thunberg. Gathering together the wisdom of over 100 experts, the world's leading climate activist arms us with the knowledge we need to combat climate disaster, showing there is hope, but only if we listen to the science before it's too late.

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

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