

Currently reading Sharks in the Time of Saviors!

Hi Merlin Welcome!

Hello,

I heard that book is great, Molly! :)

I'm Joe. I'm from Buena Park, CA

(from you, I believe)

Hi, I'm Barbara from Marlborough, Mass. I just got my copy of Rage by Bob Woodward - can't wait to start it!

Joe - it's so great!

Thoughts on the Booker shortlist?

Hi I'm from Morrisburg, Ontario, Canada. Currently reading Jay Kristoff's Nevernight. It's awesome!

Not a very chatty group :)

I'm Terrell from New Orleans, LA

Hi Im Gillian from Ontario, Canada

Hi, I am Merlin Beedaise_Gangoo. I am from Trinidad and Tobago

Hi, I'm April from beautiful Canmore, Alberta in the Rocky Mountains.

I am reading 'Struck by reality,' at the moment.

From very smoky Lake Oswego, OR

Hi! Beth Downs from Bullitt County Public Library, Shepherdsville, KY. I'm currently reading "The Pull of the Stars" by Emma Donoghue

Jennifer from the NoveList team here! I just finished Djinn Patrol on the Purple Line by Deepa Anappara. The characters were so well written, but it's a heartbreaking book

Presently, I am reading The Way of Kings by Brandon Sanderson.

Hello from New Orleans! (Hi Terrell!)

Hello! I am Roxana from Ohio, and I am currently reading Good Omens by Neil Gaimen

Hello! Mara from Illinois. Currently reading Forbidden by Beverly Jenkins. Before that was Harrow the Ninth by Tamsyn Muir!

I'm Erin - Elgin County Library in Ontario Canada. I'm currently reading 'My Wife Said You May Want to Marry Me' by Jason Rosenthal and listening to 'Born a Crime...' by Trevor Noah

Hi! Cathy from Springfield, Ohio. Currently reading American Dirt.

Shawna from Augusta, Missouri and I have just finished Emma Donoghue's The Pull of the Stars.

Hi from sunny Greenbelt, Maryland! I recently read and loved Piranesi by Susanna Clarke and Leave the World Behind by Rumaan Alam. Currently enjoying The Lesson by Cadwell Turnbull (slightly older title).

From very smoky Lake Oswego, OR. Reading "Pull of the Stars" by Emma Donahue and "Caste" by Isabel Wilkerson.

I loved Born a Crime.

I am Shelley Skaar, a high school librarian, in Washington State. I am currently reading Punching the Air by Ibi Zoboi.

Ooh, Pull of the Stars was so good!

Hi Michaela!!

Hi! I'm Amy from Columbia SC. Currently reading When We Were Vikings by Andrew David MacDonald

Pull of the Star is excellent!

Stars

Cristine from San Antonio, TX. I'm currently reading Doomsday book by Willis for the first time. Eeek.

Hello! Currently reading Unspeakable Acts: True Tales of Crime, Murder, Deceit & Obsession by Sarah Weinman

Hi, I'm Dave a Library Assistant at the Noble Public Library (part of the Pioneer Library System in central Oklahoma) and I am currently reading White Night by Jim Butcher.

Jill from Longwood Library on Long Island- hello! Just finished "the Midnight Library" by Matt Haig

Hi everyone, My name is Deirdre and I'm from Maryland where I work as a Circulation Assistant and I am looking forward to learning more about Lit fiction

Hello from Alabama

Hi I'm Tara from New York City-NYPL, currently reading Olive, Again by Elizabeth Strout

Kris from South Bend, IN--am reading Highfire by Colfer on audio, as well as The Yellow House and The City We Became.

Hi! I'm Lizzie from Morganton, NC, I'm the Young Adult Program Coordinator. I'm currently reading Punching the Air by Ibi Zoboi and Yusef Salaam and it's INCREDIBLE!

Hey folks, my name is Sarah List from Athens-Clarke County Library in Athens, Georgia. I am reading The Street of a Thousand Blossoms.

Hi all, My name is Elizabeth and I'm from Arkansas. I'm currently reading Red, White and Royal Blue by Casey McQuiston

Hi, I'm Renée from Springfield, MO. Currently reading Mexican Gothic, Obelisk Gate, and My Favorite Thing Is Monsters. I'm enjoying them all so far.

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Hi All! Highly recommend: https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/52180399-the-only-good-indians?ac=1&from_search=true&qid=vOy7zrBaB0&rank=1

Loved Red, White and Royal Blue - so sweet.

Yellow House was very good!

Hi, I'm Sherry...Whitby Public Library. Currently reading Billionaire Murders and The Butterfly Girl by Rene Denfeld. I'm listening in.

Hi all, I'm Rachel from Park City, UT. Currently reading Transcendent Kingdom by Yaa Gyasi and Real Life by Brandon Taylor

Margie from the Sanibel Public Library here on Sanibel Island, Florida. I am reading "Anxious People" by Fredrik Bachman

Robin Hastings from Lawrence, KS - just started Defending Jacob by William Landay

The Only Good Indians

Hi all! I'm Shawn, a currently unemployed librarian in Indiana. I'm reading Anxious People by Fredrik Backman.

Carina from Los Angeles. I'm currently reading Tears of the Silenced by Misty Griffin

Good afternoon everyone! My name is Ivette from Charles County Public Library in Waldorf, MD.

Hi! I'm Cheryl from Boone County Public Library in Kentucky. I am between books but getting ready to read Purple Hibiscus by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie.

My name is Leverne McBeth. I am the a branch librarian in Spartanburg, SC. I am currently reading Deacon King Kong by James McBride.

Deacon King Kong!!!

Hi. This is Kate from Winchester Public Library, MA I am reading the Atlantic by Simon Winchester.

Jeremy from Newport Beach Public Library. I am a librarian who selects for our fiction collection among others. I am not reading anything right now, but I just finished Star Trek Discovery season 2!

Hello my name is Anahi Bravo from Las Vegas Clark County Library, I am an Adult Services assistant

Adrienne, The Only Good Indians was amazing! Can't stop thinking about it.

currently reading My sister the serial Killer by Oyinkan Braithwaite

My name is Jenney Nguyen.

Hi, I'm Eloise from Pleasant Grove Library in Utah. I'm currently reading Just Mercy, which we will discuss in our library book group next Wednesday.

Ashley Bennett HS Librarian in Shawnee, KS

Heyo from KCMO Kaite Stover at KCPL. Just lead discussion last night for No One is Coming to Save Us by Stephanie Powell Watts and will be starting Old in Art School: A memoir of starting over by Nell Painter today

Hello all! I'm Heather from the Horry County Memorial Library in SC. I'm currently reading Deal with the Devil by Kit Rocha

Hi I am Marianne from Cobb County GA. I recently read Marlon James' historical fiction A Brief History of Seven Killings which immerses the reader in the events surrounding the attempt on Bob Marley's life and the subsequent lives and deaths of the participants and their associates.

Love NoOne Is Coming to Save Us.

Hi Im from Trinidad and Tobago. I'm currently reading a young adult novel called 'This what happy looks like' by Jennifer E. Smith. I'm a Library Assistant at a children's library. My favourite hobby is reading!

Just finished We Are Not From Here by Jennifer Torres Sanchez

@Rachel. Same! Can't stop thinking about it. Movie version?

Hello, I'm Kaydene from New York Public Library, I'm reading Felix Ever After by Kacen Callender.

Hi! I am from Napa County Library. Currently I am reading Tony Hillerman--The Blessing Way (just finished) and started Dance Hall of the Dead.

Hi, Jane from Newark New Jersey. I recently finished (and loved!) Lovers & Writers by Lily King.

Hi all! Katie from Racine Public Library

Greetings! I'm in Illinois. Currently reading

Laura Smith from Atascadero library, Atascadero, CA1

Hi I'm a librarian from Washington State currently reading Punching the Air

Hello all.

Hello, I'm Loren from the Metropolitan Library System and I'm currently not reading anything fun because I'm in grad school. :(

Looking forward to Anxious People!

Julie Rand from Evanston PL near Chicago.

@Jose Bisbing is one of my fav UFC fighters!

Hi I'm Caroline from Gainesville, Florida. I don't really read fiction (SF/F is my genre) so here to learn.

Hi! I Maureen Penn from Lac La Biche County Libraries and I am the Director.

Hi, I'm Karen from British Columbia, Canada

Hello from St Charles City-County Library in Missouri.

Kate from NYPL. Currently reading a pile of YA novels for committee, so definitely need a literary fiction refresher!

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Hi Karen in BC! Elizabeth in Ontario here :)

I am currently reading Fractured Tide

Teresa from Sullivan County TN Public Library. I've really enjoyed this series. I believe I've seen all these "Crash Courses".

I'm currently listening to Meditations to Change Your Brain by Rick Hanson

Hello! Elizabeth from New Canaan CT. Director at a 5-12 Independent School.

Currently working my way through James Patterson's Michael Bennett series.

1/4 century!!!!

Whooooooooooooo! Stephen!!!!

Congratulations Stephen!!

@Jose Agreed! :-)

Congratulations Stephen!!

Hello to all & Congratulations to Stephen!

Hello Stephen and Novelist!

Congrats, Stephen! Almost 28 years in libraries here!

Kaite! It's Andrew (from Williamsburg Regional Library for everyone else)!

Hi Rita!!

lol Just tried out the #NovelistConversations hashtag in twitter and my phone changed it to Novelust which... isn't wrong

Congratulations, Stephen!!!

Hi. I'm Julia. K-5 Elementary School Librarian/Teacher. Just working day to day through e-learning.

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When you get a chance, what is a Customer Engagement Specialist? I feel like I am one!

Hi Diane Annunziato from The Parker Library in Dracut, MA. Just started Voyager by Diana Gabaldon. Robin, I loved Defending Jacob by Landay. We did our first Community Read around DJ - it was a huge success. I also lived in Lawrence, KS, while I was in grad school - a great town!

Hi all, Tricia from Stratham NH public library here. Currently reading The Golem and the Jinni.

Not sure if i'm muted, so if you heard a bell ring - my apologies.

Just finished THE BRIGHT AND BREAKING SEA by Chloe Neill; great kickoff to new sea-faring military fantasy series!

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Jon B Davis in Spartanburg SC here. Hi folks.

Hi from Baltimore County, MD. I am reading The Deepest South Ever by Richard Grant

Just finished THE MOUNTAINS SING by Nguyen Phan Que Mai (made for a great discussion)

Yah Joyce! + Neal!

Just finished England, England by Julian Barnes

Yes, it's working now. Thank you!

Hi All, I'm Joseph from Spartanburg SC public library. Currently reading Motherless Brooklyn by Jonathan Lethem.

Lisa Navidi from Montgomery County Public Libraries in Maryland...just finished The Island of Sea Women by Lisa See for One Maryland One Book for 2020

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kjhobLoaOYU&list=PLmB3tN1AGPihV3YdtJCGcXufIhC1tovoB>

Me too, @Lisa Navidi! Hi from PGCMLS!

Lisa, I loved Island of Sea Women

Motherless Brooklyn - great novel, great movie, but the two share very little!

LOL

Hi Monica! Glad you're still around!!

Definitely can't overpack with a jetpack.

Nevermind, audio problem was connection problem.

@Kate Fair :-D :-D :-D

Mary K. Chelton once told me, "I don't read LI FI" :D

It may not be above other genres, but a lot of readers are not shy about expressing their opinion that it's superior.

LEAVE THE WORLD BEHIND is my favorite followed closely by TENDER IS THE FLESH

I think the strongest literary fiction I read was *God of Small Things* by Arundhati Roy, in college. (The tragedy in it also ripped my heart out and I haven't been able to read more by her since, yet.)

I once mistyped *God of Small Things* as *God of Small Thongs* - customer was amused

LOL

LOL

lol

LOL

I think the most memorable title that I've read that fits the Literary Fiction genre is *A Little Life* by Hanya Yanagihara

Love that cartoon. Got it on my wall.

lol

Love that cartoon!

Right, @Steven!

Methinks book clubs favor literary fiction because there's so much to dissect and discuss.

There has to be a difference between snobbery and a keen eye for good writing. lol
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that's fair

For literary fiction, I read *The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue* by VE Schwab, and it was terrific!

Thats a crazy amount for Ms.Gay's work shes so good!

Can anything be said about the "writing" in literary fiction vs. genre fiction? As in, more descriptive, use of figures of speech, playing with structure, etc.? I seem to find that more often in books I'd classify as literary fiction.

@Michelle, I know my branch's book club prefers it because its character-driven

I agree Brittany!

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@Rita: Neat!

agreed!

Well, by definition, any book that invites readers to pay close attention to its construction--to its focus on style and language would be something I'd put in literary fiction. Even if it also falls in sci-fi, for example.

I just can't get past that pay disparity

The Bluest Eye. My heart!

@Jamie Stroble, same. I feel like I've been slapped.

Mango Street! <3

Toni Morrison, amazing author

The Bluest Eye my all time favorite!!!!

@Loren yes 100%

Invisible Man was incredible and I still hear pop culture references to it all the time.

Morrison is dope. I love Baldwin!

I think Beloved is a better book than Bluest Eye, sorry...

Marquez, another great author

Every bookstore and library event I've had with NK Jemisin has sold SO MANY BOOKS, so that pay disparity makes me particularly angry.

((Well, references to the Ellison novel by writers, specifically.))

yes @christine There's using the written language to tell a story, describe people, places, and things. Then there's written language elevated to art unto itself, the a book dares to say something profound about the human condition.

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Lyrical

Less...really nice book!

Ah, this reminds me I still need to read "Less"

Ditto

Water Dancer was so beautifully-written

Real Life is in the "really want to get to this soon!" part of my library stack.

Milkman was really challenging, but I enjoyed listening to it.

When I begin reading a well-written story, my brain starts dancing with joy. Washington Black by Esi Edugyan did that for me recently.

@Monica, I loved Washington Black!

@Mara, yay!

To see more about how to use story elements like lyrical and ensemble casts, keep an eye on the NoveList blog at <https://www.ebscohost.com/novelist-the-latest>

The Overstory is one of the best novels I have ever read.

I still think of descriptions from THE OVERSTORY; loved it!

loved Glass Hotel, and attended her talk at Harvard book store -- thanks to the internet!

I preferred Station Eleven, but Glass Hotel was also really good.

Kelly, I agree, but it's hard to use "description" as a measure when it can encompass Hemingway's inferred settings and the lushness of Kate Chopin's Gulf Coast. That extends to the rest of the things you're asking about, which is why it's so difficult to pin it down! But you're right that those elements make the book as opposed to straightforward plot. Now I'm wandering into the swamp.

The House of Broken Angels is one of my favorites.

Yes

Interested in relationships in your books? Stay tuned for the next webinar in our Crash Course series in October 2020 on Relationship Fiction: <https://www.ebscohost.com/novelist-the-latest/blog-article/webinar-crash-course-in-relationship-fiction>

Red at the Bone was amazing.

Thanks everyone for the links!

The Slap was so good! Never met anyone else who read it.

@Julie Holland, The Slap was indeed good, I read it too

@Bruce : word

In Trinidad and Tobago, a top seller at this time is: One Year of Ugly

Speaking of immigrant stories, I loved Amy Tan's JOY-LUCK CLUB so much I recommended to some patrons who didn't usually do literary fic.

*immigrant (sigh)

The Great Believers - can't describe how good this was!

Award Committees in the news

Michelle, I loved Joy Luck club - read it twice.

We are recording the session and will send out a link to the recording in a couple of days.

@Marie: Right?!

Sorry, this might be dumb, but, can poetry be considered for this category?

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love My Year of Rest and Relaxation

New Waves is a great novel!

Severance!!

Please define EDI, sorry I don't know. Tried to google - not found in this context

This may be a really dumb question but why do some books in "A Novel" as part of the title?

include*

I enjoyed "Underground Railroad" by Whitehead.

I had to explain to several patrons the Underground Railroad by Whitehead was in fact, fiction.

A Novel: I thought it was to state that it was a stand alone. Not sure

@Shirley -- EDIT stands for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

Trust Exercise is another novel I enjoyed greatly, thought it inspired great debate in our bookclub.

I LOVED Daisy Jones!

It felt so real. I wanted to listen to the songs!

@Taryn and @Laranda, I did too

My two favorite literary fiction novels this year have been THE LAST SUMMER OF ADA BLOOM, by Martine Murray (Australia) and MIGRATIONS by Charlotte McConaghy

It's going to be a tv show. I hope they include music!

What was the title of the movie?

People who liked Daisy Jones should keep an eye out for Dawnie Walton's The Final Revival of Opal and Nev next year-- another "oral history of a band" type book and so good! It's out in April.

@David Brown, I think because titles are often elusive to potential readers.

@Mara -- thank you!

Seeing a LOT of potential titles for my book club here!!

@Hallie, Cross our fingers they include the songs in the show!

@Andrew Smith, ah. Okay. Thanks!

imagine me gone! Great Work

Thanks @Mara for that readalike!

I respected the stylistic choices (including actual math/chemistry/physics formulas) but my least pleasant foray into lit fic (also in college) was Pynchon's Gravity's Rainbow. I never cheated by reading summaries instead of the assigned book, until I was 4/5 through that one.

I want to recommend The Night Watchman by Louise Erdrich. Our book club read it last month, and it is so engaging, great cast of characters.

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Manhattan Beach is very good!

LOVED Manhattan Beach!

Yes @Laranda!

Manhattan Beach! See the sea the sea the sea....

Your lists are so nice. I wish I could start displays for these reading recommendation in the library soon.

Yes! @Laranda! :)

We just read "The Night Watchman: A Novel" for our book club too. I LOVED it. it has been the best 2020 book I have read so far.

Thanks for all the recs!~

I've heard really good things about Hamnet.

Hamnet was such a beautifully written novel. One of my favorite reads so far this year.

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I've heard magical realism described as fiction where some supernatural things happen (possibly real or not) where characters do not react with astonishment that it's happening.

Love Oyeyemi!!

LOVE how many books are from minorities! THANK YOU FOR THAT!!

Helen Oyeyemi is fantastic!

@Michelle, yes! Magic realism is my fav genre

Have questions for Stephen and Jessica? Please drop them here and send to all attendees!

Jesmyn Ward is an excellent writer!

@Anahi Bravo, I agree!

THE RESURRECTION OF FULGENCIO RAMIREZ is a great example of magical realism.

I finished How to Love a Jamaican last week!

Hi, Carol from DC Public Library in Washington, DC. My short story book club loved How to Love a Jamaican. Heads of the Colored People is great, too; will read it with my club someday I hope.

So what's the demarcation line between magical realism and fantasy?

OK, Stephen and Jessica - how do you keep up with new reading?

Yes, wondering the same thing, Stephen.

Hey -- I noticed there's a Novelist article on how disabled people prefer person-first language... and.... please re-visit this, okay? 95% of autistic people prefer identity-first language.

Also: many of these books are in our general fiction collection and not in 817 with lit fiction. So one wonders why.

Edwidge Danticat is really great. KRIK KRAK the short story collection is a good start.

<https://hbr.org/2020/03/the-case-for-reading-fiction#:~:text=Research%2C%20however%2C%20suggests%20that%20reading,to%20comprehend%20other%20people%27s%20motivations.>

Why reading fiction can be better than non-fiction.

@Daniel -- Thanks for the feedback. I'll pass it on to our metadata team as they regularly review our metadata terms. We encourage you to email novelist@ebSCO.com with more information or other feedback.

@Michelle Steiner: we're doing Claire of the Sea Light for our book group in January.

I love unlikeable characters

@ Jennifer Novelist this is the article I am referring to <https://www.ebscohost.com/novelist-the-latest/blog-article/shifting-to-people-first-language>

thank you for your time :D

Claire of the Seal Light... I am taking notes as we go!

*Sea Light (sigh)

I can say that I am a non fiction reader due to history. I've been late coming to the fiction genre due to what I feel is a form of confrontation sometimes, but hey what is life with out confrontation lol. The titles that I see today are interesting and have made buying these books for my branch very interesting

Oh, yes, Krik? Krak! So great. Love Edwidge Danticat's stories.

@Daniel: I too love unlikeable characters!

Learn more about LibraryReads: <http://libraryreads.org/>

I loved Queenie!

Self-destructive characters like Queenie can be hard to read....

I was so pleased to see Leave the World Behind on the Library Reads list

I loved Queenie too but yeah, it was hard to read at times!

I recently became aware of this award which I think is very accessible <https://dublinliteraryaward.ie/>

Thanks for the link, Josh!

An American Sunrise is good.

Homie is such a great collection

Circe is one of my favorite books ever

Circe was wonderful on audio!

We reviewed Homie for NYPL's Best Poetry books this year! Wonderful.

Black Leopard Red Wolf won the Locus award for best horror novel, so it has a lot of appeal for a number of readers

Nickel Boys is our book club's next pick, I know it's going to be a tough read

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Marlon James and his editor Jake (?) have a great podcast, Marlon and Jake Read Dead People.

Nickel Boys is heartbreaking but amazing.

This is How You Lose the Time War is incredible

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I recently became aware of this book award from India:
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Sahitya_Akademi_Award_winners_for_English

OOh Andrew, I" have to check okut the podcast by Marlon James

we had a very good discussion on EXIT WEST

ExitWest was a great book.

EXIT WEST is so good.

Yes! I read Exit West recently -- powerful. Oh! and There There -- listened to it which was fabulous.

Shonna, thanks for that list.

Just an FYI that Lori is still having internet problems. Thank you Jessica and Stephen for moving the ball around!

There There is a great bookclub selection

Vanishing Half is great!

I love that readers of literary fiction get as excited as genre fans - the squee is strong today.

Vanishing Half is really good

Barbara Kingsolver's Poisonwood Bible would be a good starter book too I think.

So many layers in The Vanishing Half.

The audiobook of The Vanishing Half was really well done.

@Joseph Henderson YES that is my next book!

@Anahi That's awesome!

Luster was also a great audiobook!

Transcendent Kingdom is hands down my favorite book of the year!

Any Barbara Kingsolver!

I want a list of all of the recs in this chat. :)

The Death of Vivek Oji is wonderful!!

@Carol same!

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Really loved Vivek Oji

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So many ideas for upcoming book club selections

Good to hear Kari, Transcendent Kingdom is on my hold list.

I wanta to read the Death of Vivek Oji

So many books, too little time

Effuah, it's so beautifully written

Right?!

Thanks. Must leave now. Glad I can watch the rest later and rewatch what have already seen. Gail--Kindred, ND Public Library, an all volunteer operated library.

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@Michelle, Yes! The Poisonwood Bible is top 5 fav books ever!!!

I'm reading an advance copy of The Office of Historical Corrections -- the title story is very topical.

Yes @Stephen - Ghost Wall is fantastic!

All Jhumpa Lahiri is so great.

Can we share the PDF of the slides with others that did not attend? It is a great list!

Lahiri! excited for that one

I read quite a bit of Chuck Palahniuk even though returning to him feels like putting my hand back on a hot stove burner. I have mixed feelings about it but the stylistic choices are very intriguing.

This was great. Thanks so much

*quite a bit

I am wondering what Anthony Doerr is writing.

great presentation and info.

Thanks for soooo many titles!!!! I just added most of the to my GoodReads list!

Wonderful webinar!!!!

Thank you, Jessica and Stephen! And everyone.

Great stuff!

great presentation!!

thank you Stephen and Jessica

Thanks, presenters!

Wow, I needed this - thank you!!

Thank you.

Thank you for all the great recommendations!

Thank you!

This was great! Thanks.

Thank you!

Thank you. Great session!

Thank you!

It was great.

Great content! Thank you!

Good Job guys, these webinars are really well run and organized.

Thank You Jessica & Stephen for a great presentation! :-)

Good question!

Great job Jessica and Stephen!

Thank you!

Great presentations!!! Thank you!

Lots of great books to explore! Thanks!!

Great presentation

thankyou!!

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These are incredible suggestions! I might also offer Gabriel Bump's Everywhere You Don't Belong-phenomenal author!!
Thank you all so much!!

Thank you!

Thank you! That was great!!

S

Thanks to the presenters and also the presenters -- so much to think about. Very inspiring!

Thank you!!

So very informational. Thank you.

Thank you!

Thanks! My holds list will overflow.

So looking forward to Jack! I loved Lila & Home (but couldn't get into Gilead.)

Thank you for these webinars, they are so helpful!

Thanks, great presentation

Thank you!

Thanks for this great pres!

Thank you !!

Thank you Stephen and Jessica

great job

Thanks for a great presentation!!

Great! loved the presentation!

So many great books to read! I need to live forever!

Thank you!! These look like books I'd like to acquire for my library

great suggestions & content - thank you!

That was my question! How do you find the time to read all of these!! lol

Thank you!!

Thank you Best presentation I've seen recently! And I've seen a lot .

Thank you all

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Great presentation! I put down many good titles that i have not read them yet. Keep them on my reading list!

Thanks for all the great information.

I keep up, sort of, by reading the upcoming books and reviews in Entertainment Weekly...

Fabulous presentation! Thanks so much, everyone!

thank you, I'll have to watch again to get the recommendations

Thank You

Thanks!

Thanks for enabling my excess reading habit :-)

Thank you!

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Thank you for the presentation it was very informative and will help mw when trying to purchase books for the patrons of my library

So many amazing books! Going to have trouble picking which to read first. And then recommend!

Excellent presentation! I took lots of notes!

can we get a list of those discussed??

Thank you!

Great presentation and titles!!!

Book Riot mailing list is also good.

Many thanks!

Thanks, loved all the help!

I like podcasts - are there podcasts you can recommend that helps with keeping up with new books?

Keep an eye on the NoveList blog at <https://www.ebscohost.com/novelist-the-latest>

Thank you. New to my library position, so this was very helpful.

The Maris Review

I couldn't take notes fast enough! Will the slides be made available? Thank you so much!

bookriot!

*much

Im in two book groups and work at a library - this presentation is so helpful. I love making recommendations for family, friends, customers.

The Librarian Is In podcast

Be sure to "attend" the National Book Festival next week, Sept. 25-27. <https://www.loc.gov/events/2020-national-book-festival/about-this-event/>

by New York Public Library

NY Public Library has good podcast

Novelpairings is a great podcast

How do you manage recommending books by authors with problematic histories? Is it something you consider during RA conversations?

Reading Glasses with Mallory O'Meara

Already looking forward to listening to this presentation all over again. Great information. Thanks for including current social issues happening in the publishing world.

You can download the slides for today's webinar at: <https://www.ebscohost.com/novelist-the-latest/blog-article/webinar-crash-course-in-literary-fiction>

Oooh, chat included!

and The Stacks podcast

What other genres do you enjoy - other than literary?

Thanks

The New York Times Book Review

LitHub radio

Yay!

We have a podcast at the Spartanburg County Public Library called Booklovers - feel free to check it out!

Four thumbs up

I like speculative fiction too

Book Page <https://bookpage.com/>

Thanks for the audiobook recs. Sometimes I can't concentrate to read, and I love a great narrator.

To annoy the F out of catalogers and librarians

Any favorites with audiobooks in mind? The voice actor makes a huge difference.

How do you manage recommending books by authors with problematic histories? Is it something you consider during RA conversations? You mentioned some of the problems with awards, but not titles themselves.

Can we get these lists if joining late?

This is the best work lunch I've had in six months,? Thank you!

Michelle, I just read MEMORY POLICE...great read

Great recommendations!

Great reader for "Joy Luck Club" audiobook.

:A Novel is definitely a pretentious add

PET PEEVE!

To Jonathan, LOL!!!!

Lay it on the line @Kaite!

Pandemic killed work lunches

So that people won't think it is non-fiction?

I agree. I find it very annoying. " a novel" :-(

I]

OMG I had *no idea* this was a novel

Perhaps "A Novel" is one of those old conventions that just never went away...

Neil Gaiman is literary fic, I'd argue.

At least he often is.

To differentiate from nonfiction since titles may be more literate/wordy?

So, Carlos Castenada's books are magical realism?

David Mitchell?

Hey hey hey, "A Novel" in the title tells me immediately that this ARC is for me and not for the nonfiction selector, ha!

Good one, David Mitchell

Thank you for this wonderful overview on literary fiction

Thank you.

Great list.

Stay tuned for the next webinar in our Crash Course series in October 2020 on Relationship Fiction:
<https://www.ebscohost.com/novelist-the-latest/blog-article/webinar-crash-course-in-relationship-fiction>

This was so amazing, thank you!!!

Thank you!

Thanks so much!! This was great

Thanks, all! Great info and book recs as always!

Thanks so much!!

Thank you

Thank you. This was great!

Thank you!

Thank you! it's great event!

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Thank you so much!

so amazing!

Thank you!

Thank you so much for all the great book recommendations and great literary fiction information. Have a great week!

Italo Calvino too

Thank you!

Thank you so much. Lots of information and book recommendations that are helpful. Have a great day!

This was wonderful! Thank you.

thanks

Much enjoyed!

Than you.

Excellent presentation - very considered and more recs than it is possible to read, but great to have!!

Wow! So many new titles to try, so little time : (Thank you.

Thank you so much! I enjoyed!

Thank you! Excellent!

Thank you! This helped me realize I read a lot more "literary" stuff than I thought, lol.

Good, playful with structure

Learn more about LibraryReads: <http://libraryreads.org/>

Thank you - great

Thanks!

Thank you for everything--titles, info, inspiration!

Thank you all!!

Thank you!

Annie Cipolla YAAASSS julian fellowes in audio is GOLD

Thank you, very informative!

Thanks everyone this was really interesting!

Thank you!

Thank you everyone! great info!

thanks

thank you

thank you

Thank you!

Thanks! Great info.

THANK YOU!!

Thanks so much for a good session.

thank you!

Thank you!

Thank you.

Yay! Please check out libraryreads.org for resources on reading ahead!

Thank you!

Thank you

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