

2014

University Branch

Book Group

3rd Monday* of each month from 6:30 – 7:45 PM
(*4th Monday in January and February)

*The University Branch invites you to attend our book group.
A copy of the upcoming month's book is available from library staff.*

Monday January 27 – *The Quiet American* by Graham Greene

While the French are battling the insurgent Viet Minh in Indochina (now Vietnam), in Saigon, a young American becomes involved in a war he cannot win.

Monday February 24 – *The Left Hand of Darkness* by Ursula LeGuin

Genly Ai is sent to the planet Winter to make contact with its people and finds himself drawn into their world.

Monday March 17 – *Blue Nights* by Joan Didion

In this meditative memoir, well-known writer Didion reflects on her adoptive daughter's life, her own parenting shortcomings and on aging.

Monday April 21 – *Seattle Reads* title (To Be Announced!)

Monday May 19 – *The Round House* by Louise Erdrich

Set on an Ojibwa Indian Reservation in North Dakota, this powerful novel follows the efforts of a 14-year old boy to find the man who brutally attacked his mother.

Monday June 16 – Poetry by Billy Collins

A selection of poems by U.S. Poet Laureate Billy Collins. Ask for packet at Information Desk.

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Monday July 21 – *Climbing the Mango Trees* by Madhur Jaffrey

The actress and food writer reminisces about growing up in a large well-to-do Delhi family. Recipes are included.

Monday August 18 – *The Master and Margarita* by Mikhail Bulgakov

Now considered a classic of 20th century Russian Fiction, Bulgakov's inventive novel about the devil's visit to 1930s Moscow was suppressed during Stalin's regime.

Monday September 15 – *The March* by E. L. Doctorow

Near the end of the Civil War, General William Tecumseh Sherman marched 60,000 Union soldiers through Georgia and the Carolinas, leaving a path of destruction that comes to life through the eyes of real and fictional characters.

Monday October 20 – *Dear Life* by Alice Munro

A collection of intertwined short stories set in small-town Ontario by Alice Munro, winner of the 2013 Nobel Prize in Literature for being "master of the contemporary short story."

Monday November 17 – *The Hare with Amber Eyes* by Edmund De Waal

In a moving memoir of one wealthy Jewish family and a precious set of netsuke figurines, the author traces the history of anti-Semitism and the Jews' terrible losses during the first half of the twentieth century.

Monday December 15 - *Cleopatra: A Life* by Stacy Schiff

Schiff dispels the myth of Cleopatra's alluring beauty and instead portrays the shrewd, calculating politician she surely was in an engaging story filled with accurate, immersive period details.



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