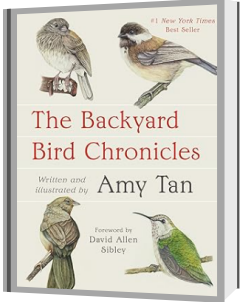


2025-2026 BOOK SELECTIONS



SEPTEMBER 2

The Backyard Bird Chronicles by Amy Tan

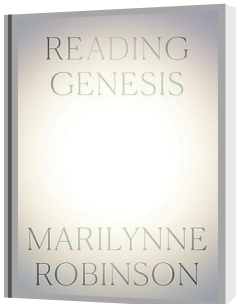
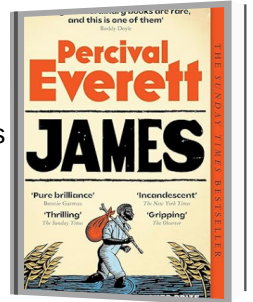
A gorgeous and witty exploration of birding and nature. This inspiring work cultivates hope and connection, revealing the rhythms of our world and uncovering its beauty hidden in plain sight.

OCTOBER 7

James by Percival Everett

Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, National Book Award for Fiction, Audie Award for Literary Fiction & Classics

A profound meditation on identity, belonging and the sacrifices we make to protect the ones we love, which reimagines Mark Twain's *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* from the perspective of Huck's companion, Jim.



NOVEMBER 4

Reading Genesis by Marilynne Robinson

Marilynne Robinson's *Reading Genesis*, which includes the full text of the King James Version of the book, is a powerful consideration of the profound meanings and promise of God's enduring covenant with humanity. This magisterial book radiates gratitude for the constancy and benevolence of God's abiding faith in Creation.



DECEMBER (TBA)
7:00PM

ANNUAL Christmas GATHERING

Bring your favorite appetizer or dessert!



BBC MEETS IN THE WILLIAM L. ARTHUR CENTER,
410 E. KENNEDY STREET

MORNING SESSION: 10:30AM, EVENING SESSION: 7:00PM



JANUARY 6

Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver

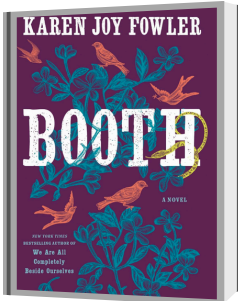
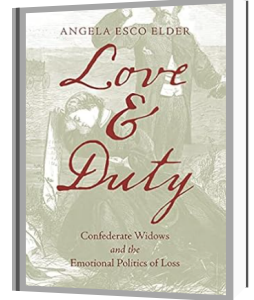
Co-recipient of the 2023 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, and winner of the 2023 Women's Prize for Fiction

Set in the mountains of southern Appalachia, *Demon Copperhead* is the story of a boy born to a teenage single mother in a single-wide trailer, with no assets beyond his dead father's good looks and copper-colored hair, a caustic wit, and a fierce talent for survival.

FEBRUARY 3

Love and Duty by Angela Esco Elder

Drawing on an impressive array of personal manuscripts and scrapbooks, *Love and Duty* extends recent scholarship on the diversity among women's experiences during the Civil War and its long aftermath.



MARCH 3

Booth by Karen Joy Fowler

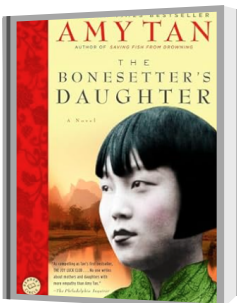
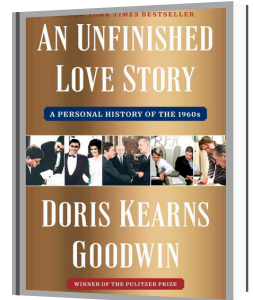
Longlisted for the 2022 Man Booker Prize

An epic and intimate novel about the ill-fated family of thespians, drinkers, and dreamers behind one of the most infamous figures in American history: John Wilkes Booth.

APRIL 7

An Unfinished Love Story by Doris Kearns Goodwin

An Unfinished Love Story: A Personal History of the 1960s by Doris Kearns Goodwin, one of America's most beloved historians, artfully weaves together biography, memoir, and history. She takes you along on the emotional journey she and her husband, Richard (Dick) Goodwin, embarked upon in the last years of his life.



MAY 5

The Bonesetter's Daughter by Amy Tan

The Bonesetter's Daughter spans generations, focusing on Ruth in present-day California as she navigates her relationship troubles and her mother LuLing's dementia.

JUNE 2

The Art Thief by Michael Finkel

In this spellbinding portrait of obsession and flawed genius, Michael Finkel gives us one of the most remarkable true-crime narratives of our times, a riveting story of art, theft, love, and an insatiable hunger to possess beauty at any cost.

