

## SCIENCE FICTION

**Dark Matter** / Blake Crouch  
~ Jill, Adult Services



**Hole in the Sky** / Daniel H. Wilson  
~ Diane, Circulation

**Mickey7** / Edward Ashton  
~ Joanne, Circulation



**The Testaments** / Margaret Atwood  
~ Jill, Adult Services

**William** / Mason Coile  
~ Joanne, Circulation

## THRILLER/HORROR

**Bat Eater and Other Names for Cora Zeng** /  
Kylie Lee Baker  
~ Grace, Tech Services

**The Beast in the Clouds: the Roosevelt Brothers' Deadly Quest to Find the Mythical Giant Panda** /  
Nathalia Holt  
~ Samantha, Adult Services

**Carved in Blood** / Michael Bennett  
~ Amy, Circulation



**Guess Again** / Charlie Donlea  
~ Diane, Circulation

**The Hitchcock Hotel** / Stephanie Wrobel  
~ Gabe, Circulation



**Love, Mom** / Iliana Xander  
~ Barb, Circulation

**Too Old For This** / Samantha Downing  
~ Jill, Adult Services

## POETRY

**Counting Descent** / Clint Smith  
~ Catherine, Circulation



**Little Alleluias: Collected Poetry & Prose** /  
Mary Oliver  
~ Lynn, Adult Services

**Ocean of Clouds** / Garrett Kaoru Hongo  
~ Kristin, Adult Services

## ADULT GRAPHIC NOVELS

**I Will Judge You By Your Bookshelf** /  
Grant Snider  
~ Erin, Adult Services



**They Called Us Enemy** / George Takei  
~ Samantha, Adult Services

**We Are Not Strangers** / Josh Tuininga  
~ Lynn, Adult Services



**A Wizard of Earthsea** / Fred Fordham  
~ Lynn, Adult Services

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

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resource!

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For all  
WI  
residents

### AMAZON PICKS

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### BOOKPAGE (MAGAZINE)

[bookpage.com](https://bookpage.com)

Print copies also available in the library

### GOODREADS

[goodreads.com/genres](https://goodreads.com/genres) or [goodreads.com/new\\_releases](https://goodreads.com/new_releases)

### LIBRARY READS

[libraryreads.org](https://libraryreads.org)

### LIBRARY THING

[librarything.com](https://librarything.com)

### NEW YORK TIMES

[nytimes.com/books/best-sellers/](https://nytimes.com/books/best-sellers/)

### WHAT SHOULD I READ NEXT

[whatshouldireadnext.com](https://whatshouldireadnext.com)

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from OUR STAFF



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## NONFICTION

**The Art Spy** / Michelle T. Young  
~ Samantha, Adult Services



**Karen: A Brother Remembers** /  
Kelsey Grammer  
~ Barb, Circulation

**The Facemaker: a Visionary Surgeon's Battle  
to Mend the Disfigured Soldiers of World War I** /  
Lindsey Fitzharris  
~ Gabe, Circulation



**The Gales of November** /  
John U. Bacon  
~ Joanne, Circulation

**The Heart-Shaped Tin: Love, Loss, and Kitchen  
Objects** / Bee Wilson  
~ Lynn, Adult Services

**The Let Them Theory: a Life-Changing Tool that  
Millions of People Can't Stop Talking About** /  
Mel Robbins  
~ Connie, Administration

**The Lost City of Z: a Tale of Deadly Obsession in the  
Amazon** / David Grann  
~ Katie, Youth Services

**Move the Body, Heal the Mind** / Jennifer J. Heisz  
~ Kristin, Adult Services

**Out of the Woods: a Girl, a Killer, and a Lifelong  
Struggle to Find the Way Home** / Gregg Olsen  
~ Diane, Circulation

**Personal Effects: What Recovering  
the Dead Teaches Me About Caring  
For the Living** / Robert A. Jensen  
~ Catherine, Circulation



**The Year of Less** / Cait Flanders  
~ Trisha, Administration

## YOUNG ADULT

**The Bletchley Riddle** / Ruta Sepetys  
~ Erin, Adult Services



**The Fault in Our Stars** / John Green  
~ Bianca, Youth Services Intern

**Firekeeper's Daughter** / Angeline Boulley  
~ Kristin, Adult Services

## LIGHT FICTION

**Atmosphere** / Taylor Jenkins Reid  
~ Joanne, Circulation



**Battle of the Bookstores** / Ali Brady  
~ Jill, Adult Services

**Lobster's Bay** (series) / Meredith Summers  
~ Connie, Administration

**The View from Lake Como** / Adriana Trigiana  
~ Connie, Administration

## FICTION

**Broken Country** / Claire Leslie Hall  
~ Joanne, Circulation



**Heartwood** / Amity Gaige  
~ Jill, Youth Services

**The Lies We Leave Behind** / Noelle Salazar  
~ Jill, Youth Services

**My Friends** / Fredrik Backman  
~ Sue, Circulation & Joanne, Circulation

**King of Ashes** / S.A. Cosby  
~ Jill, Adult Services & Sue, Circulation

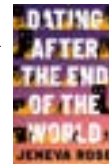


**Tom Lake** / Ann Patchett  
~ Katie, Youth Services

## ROMANTASY

**The Book of Lost Hours** / Hayley Gelfuso  
~ Samantha, Adult Services & Trisha, Administration

**Dating After the End of the World** / Jeneva Rose  
~ Jill, Adult Services



**The Everlasting** / Alix E. Harrow  
~ Grace, Tech Services



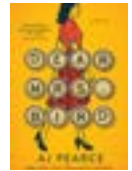
**The Knight and the Moth** /  
Rachel Gillig  
~ Jackie, Youth Services

**This Princess Kills Monsters: The Misadventures  
of a Fairy-Tale Stepsister** / Ry Herman  
~ Grace, Tech Services

**Shield of Sparrows** / Devney Perry  
~ Jackie, Youth Services

## HISTORICAL FICTION

**Circle of Days** / Ken Follett  
~ Jill, Youth Services



**The Covenant of Water** /  
Abraham Verghese  
~ Kristin, Adult Services

**Dear Mrs. Bird** / A.J. Pearce  
~ Amy, Circulation

**Girl Waits with Gun** / Amy Stewart  
~ Gabe, Circulation

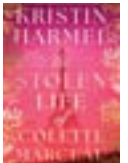
**Hamnet** / Maggie O'Farrell  
~ Erin, Adult Services



**The House of Lincoln** / Nancy Horan  
~ Jill, Youth Services

**The Shoemaker's Wife** / Adriana Trigiana  
~ Connie, Administration

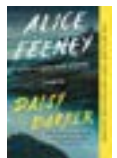
**The Stolen Life of Colette Marceau** /  
Kristin Harmel  
~ Trisha, Administration



**The Stolen Queen** / Fiona Davis  
~ Trisha, Administration

## MYSTERY

**Beautiful Ugly** / Alice Feeney  
~ Trisha, Administration



**Daisy Darker** / Alice Feeney  
~ Cara, Outreach Services

**Inspector Karen Pirie** (series) / Val McDermid  
~ Amy, Circulation

**The Midnight Feast** / Lucy Foley  
~ Cara, Outreach Services

**Misery Hates Company** /  
Elizabeth Hobbs  
~ Grace, Tech Services



**No Rest For the Wicked** /  
Rachel Louise Adams  
~ Joanne, Circulation



**The Witch's Orchard** / Archer Sullivan  
~ Jill, Adult Services