

Selections: September 2023



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BOOK TITLE	Author	Reviewed by	Genre
Better Living Through Birding	Christian Cooper	Sandra	Nonfiction
Cassandra in Reverse ^{RBC}	Holly Smale	Sandra	Fiction
Dances	Nicole Cuffy	Sandra	Fiction
Did You Hear About Kitty Karr? ^{RBC}	Crystal Smith Paul	Sandra	Historical Fiction
Fourth Wing	Rebecca Yarros	Sandra	Fantasy
Hotel Laguna	Nicola Harrison	Sandra	Historical Fiction
Talulah's Back in Town	Brenda Novak	Sandra	Romance
The Brightest Star	Gail Tsukiyama	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Collected Regrets of Clover	Mikki Brammer	Sandra	Fiction
The Cuban Heiress	Chanel Cleeton	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Devine Doughnut Shop	Carolyn Brown	Sandra	Fiction
The Paris Daughter	Kristin Harmel	Sandra	Historical Fiction
The Puzzle Master	Danielle Trussoni	Sandra	Mystery
The Sweetheart List	Jill Shalvis	Sandra	Romance
Zero Days	Ruth Ware	Sandra	Mystery
Family Lore ^{GMA}	Elizabeth Acevedo	Sandra	Fiction

NOTES:

GMA: Good Morning America Book Club or Book Buzz Pick

RBC: Reese's Book Club

Better Living Through Birding by Christian Cooper

Amazing memoir about the bird watcher who had the police called on him in Central Park. Read this and also listened to the audio. The audio is a special treat, as it's read by the author, who demonstrates bird calls.

Cassandra in Reverse by Holly Smale

Interesting twist on a woman who experiences Groundhog day, and each time she goes back she can change small bits to get the correct result.

Dances by Nicole Cuffy

A young Black ballerina at the height of her career has to make difficult choices as she takes center stage in the grueling world of ballet.

Did You Hear About Kitty Karr? by Crystal Smith Paul

Juicy story of a white old-Hollywood cinematic star who leaves her fortune to three Black girls - and everyone wants to know why.

Fourth Wing by Rebecca Yarros

Romantasy at it's best: this book has all the tropes, all the drama, and all the fun. I loved it.

Hotel Laguna by Nicola Harrison

Cute historical fiction of a young woman in the Rosie the Riveter days.

Talulah's Back in Town by Brenda Novak

Heartwarming romance, thoroughly enjoyed it. The start of a new series, I'm looking forward to book two.

The Brightest Star by Gail Tsukiyama

Historical fiction about Anna Mae Wong, the first Asian-American woman to become a major movie star.

The Collected Regrets of Clover by Mikki Brammer

Heartwarming story of a young woman who is a death doula who really starts to begin living after her grandfather dies.

The Cuban Heiress by Chanel Cleeton

Intriguing historical fiction about the fate of two women onboard the S.S. Morro Castle when the ship catches fire.

The Paris Daughter by Kristin Harmel

Gripping historical fiction about what two mothers do and have to endure during WWII in order to save their children.

The Puzzle Master by Danielle Trussoni

This reminded me of "The Da Vinci Code", but from a Jew's point of view. Ancient texts, mysterious works, and greed characterize this thrilling novel.

Family Lore by Elizabeth Acevedo

Love love love this! Flor has an unusual gift: she can predict to the day when someone will die. She gathers all her family together so she can have a living wake so they can tell her what they think of her before she dies. This is a beautiful story of family, love, and loss.