

## UPL Book Club list – through December 2023

### 2010

October: We each read a different mystery book.

November: We each read a different book about harvest.

December: We each read a different book with cold or freeze in the title

### 2011

July: Ines of My Soul, Isabel Allende

October: We each read a different mystery book

November: Half a Yellow Sun, Chimamanda Ngozi Adiche

December: Cat's Cradle, Kurt Vonnegut

### 2012

January: We each read a different novel by Ian McEwan

February: The Ghost at the Table, Suzanne Berne

March/April: The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks, Rebecca Skloot

May: The Book Thief, Markus Zusak

June: People of the Book, Geraldine Brooks

July: Life of Pi, Yann Martel

August: The Plague of Doves, Louise Eldrich

September: Sarah's Key, Tatiana de Rosnay

October: The Life Before Us, Romain Gary (Community Read)

November: The Wide Sargasso Sea, Jean Rhys

### 2013

January: Angle of Repose, Wallace Stegner

February: My Name is Red, Orhan Pamuk

March: Tender is the Night, F. Scott Fitzgerald

April: The Spirit Catches You and then You Fall Down, Anned Fadima

May: The Tortilla Curtain, TC Boyle

June: Wish You Well, David Balducci

July: Snow Falling on Cedars, David Guterson

August: Birdsong, Sebastian Faulks

September: Breath, Eyes, Memory, Edwidge Danticat

October: When the Emperor Was Divine, Julie Otsuka

November: Continental Drift, Russell Banks

### 2014

January: The Wordy Shipmates, Sarah Vowel

February: Howard's End, EM Forster

March: Tender at the Bone, Ruth Reichl

April: The Obituary Writer, Anne Hood

May: Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight, An African Childhood, Alexander Fuller

July: Clash of Civilizations Over an Elevator in Piazza Vittorio, Amaka Lakhaus

August: Orphan Train, Christina Baker Kline

September: Comfort Me With Apples, Ruth Reichl

October: The Invention of Wings, Sue Monk Kidd

November: A Tale of Two Cities, Charles Dickens

December: Christmas Memories, Truman Capote - read aloud

## **2015**

January: Metropolis, Elizabeth Gaffney  
February: Dream When You're Feeling Blue, Elizabeth Berg  
March: Caleb's Crossing, Geraldine Brooks  
April: Boys in the Boat, Daniel James Brown  
May: Quite a Year for Plums, Bailey White  
June: Flight Behavior, Barbara Kingsolver  
July: Mudbound, Hillary Jordan  
August: March, Geraldine Brooks  
September: Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet, Jamie Ford  
November: Dinner at the Homesick, Anne Tyler  
December: Read Aloud Holiday Poems/short stories, TBD

## **2016**

January: All the Light You Cannot See, Anthony Doerr  
February: Coffee Trader, David Liss  
March: The Goldfinch, Donna Tartt  
April: The Red Leather Diary, Lily Koppel  
May: The Beautiful American, Jeanne Mackin  
June: 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea, Jules Verne  
July: The Rosie Project, Graeme Simsion  
August: Traveling With Pomegranates: A Mother-Daughter Story, Sue Monk Kidd & Ann Kidd Taylor  
September: Book Selection  
October: Cutting for Stone, Abraham Verghese  
November: The Handmaid's Tale, Margaret Atwood  
December: The UnAmericans: Stories, Molly Antopol

## **2017**

January: The Boston Girl: A Novel, Anita Diamant  
February: The Dove Keepers, Alice Hoffman  
March: The Remains of the Day, Kazuo Ishiguro  
April: An Officer and a Spy, Robert Harris  
May: The Whore Next Door: An Illustrated Memoir, Annie Campbell  
June: The Elephant Whisperer: My Life with the Herd in the African Wild, Lawrence Anthony & Graham Spence  
July: Empire Falls, Richard Russo  
August: The Nix,  
September: Enigma, Richard Harris  
October: Lincoln in the Bardo, George Saunders  
November: The Underground Railroad, Colson Whitehead  
December: My Brilliant Friend, Elena Ferrante

## **2018**

January: Eleanor of Aquitaine, Alison Weir  
February: The Warmth of Other Suns, Isabel Wilkerson  
March: The Sympathizer, Viet Thanh Nguyen

April: Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine, Gail Honeyman  
May: Hidden Figures, Margot Lee Shetterly  
June: It Can't Happen Here, by Sinclair Lewis  
August – Killers of the Flower Moon, by David Grann  
Sept – The Nest, by Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney  
October – Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy, by Karen Abbott  
November – Before We Were Yours, by Lisa Wingate  
December – Gilead, by Marilynne Robinson

## 2019

January – History of Wolves, by Emily Fridlund  
February – Funny in Farsi: a memoir of growing up Iranian in America, by Firoozeh Dumas  
March – The Luminaries, by Eleanor Catton (800+ pages, perfect for mud season!)  
April – The Death and Life of the Great Lakes, by Dan Egan  
May – Circe, by Madeline Miller  
June – Less, by Andrew Sean Greer  
Aug The Picture of Dorian Gray - Oscar Wilde  
Sep The Power - Naomi Alderman  
Oct The Twelve - Mile Straight - Eleanor Henderson  
Nov A Woman of No Importance - Sonia Purnell  
Dec Brooklyn - Colm Toibin

## 2020

Jan A Gentleman in Moscow - Amor Towles  
Feb Women Talking - Miriam Toews  
Mar Behind the Beautiful Forevers - Katherine Boo  
Jun Unsheltered - Barbara Kingsolver  
July All Quiet on the Western Front -  
Aug Movie: "13<sup>th</sup>" (Netflix)  
Sep The Mayor of Casterbridge – Thomas Hardy  
Oct Pachinko - Min Jin Lee  
Nov Where the Crawdads Sing - Delia Owens

## 2021

Jan Unbroken by Linda Hillenbrand  
Feb My Antonia by Willa Cather  
Mar His Truth is Marching On: John Lewis and the Power of Hope by Jon Meacham  
Apr Good Lord Bird by James McBride  
May Book Woman of Troublesome Creek by Kim Michele Richardson  
Jun The Wright Brothers by David McCullough  
Jul The Henna Artist by Alka Joshi  
Aug The House of Broken Angels by Luis Alberto Urrea  
Sep Disappearing Earth by Julia Phillips  
Oct White Teeth by Zadie Smith  
Nov The Masterpiece by Fiona Davis  
Dec How to Be an Antiracist by Ibram X Kendi

**2022**

February: To the Lighthouse, Virginia Woolf 238 pp  
March: Cold Mountain, Charles Frazier 356pp  
April: Radium Girls, Kate Moore 479 pp  
May: Homesman, Glendon Swarthout 239 pp  
June: The Dutch House, Ann Patchett 337 pp  
July: Under a White Sky, Elizabeth Kolbert 234 pp  
August: The Four Winds, Kristin Hannah 454pp  
September: Matrix, Lauren Groff 260 pp  
October: Anil's Ghost, Ondaatje 311pp  
November: Cloud Cuckoo Land, Anthony Doerr 626 pp  
December: Fun Home, Alison Bechdel 232pp

## Alternates:

The Overstory, Richard Powers  
A Man Called Ove, Fredrik Backman  
Personal Librarian, Marge Benedict and Victoria Murray  
The Road, Cormac McCarthy  
Crossroads, Jonathan Franzen

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Feb: The Magician, Colm Toibin 500 pp  
Mar: And then there were none, Agatha Christie  
Apr: West with Giraffes: A Novel, Lynda Rutledge  
May: Personal Librarian, Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray  
June: Being Mortal, Atul Gawande  
July: Parable of the Sower  
Aug: Lincoln Highway, Amor Towles  
Sept: Their Eyes were Watching God, Zora Neal Hurston  
Oct: Fly Girls, Keith O'Brien  
Nov: Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow, Gabrielle Zevin  
Dec: The Gayogoho:nq' People in the Cayuga Lake Region, Kurt A. Jordan  
Alternate for November: The Vanishing Half, by Brit Bennett