

Recommended Books

2010 Adult Summer Reading Program

Here are all of the highest-rated books from our summer reading program for adults. Many thanks to our participants for reading and responding!

Happy reading!

CAMDEN AUTHORS:

Port City Shakedown by Gerry Boyle

MYSTERY:

The Poacher's Son by Paul Doiron

Fruit of the Poisonous Tree by Archer Mayor

The Price of Malice by Archer Mayor

A House to Die For by Vicki Doudera

The Dark Root by Archer Mayor

Outsider in Amsterdam by Janwillem van de Wetering

Tough Customer by Sandra Brown

Photo Finished by Laura Childs

Dipped, Stripped and Dead by Elise Hyatt

A Deadly Vineyard Holiday by Philip R. Craig

Death on a Vineyard Beach by Philip R. Craig

Cliff Hanger by Philip R. Craig

The Kill Artist by Daniel Silva

The Detonators by Donald Hamilton

Executive Privilege by Phillip Margolin

The Empress File by John Sandford

The Third Option by Vince Flynn

CLASSICS:

Anne of Green Gables by L.M. Montgomery

The House of Mirth by Edith Wharton

Anna Karenina by Leo Tolstoy

To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee

Peter Pan by JM Barrie

WESTERNS:

The Autumn of the Gun by Ralph Compton

Sunset Rim by Curtis Bishop

Valdez is Coming by Elmore Leonard

The Bounty Hunters by Elmore Leonard

Big Horn Gunfighter by Robert Kammen

SCI-FI:

Edge of the Apocalypse by Tim LaHaye and Craig Parshall

FANTASY:

Three Hearts and Three Lions by Poul Anderson
The Card Turner by Louis Sachar
Dwellers in the Mirage by A. Merrit
Thomas the Rhymer by Ellen Kushner

HISTORICAL FICTION:

The Postmistress by Sarah Blake
In the Fall by Jeffery Lent
The Doctor's Newfound Family by Valerie Hansen
Behind the Lines by W.E.B. Griffin

OTHER FICTION:

The Last Juror by John Grisham
Tinkers by Paul Harding
King of Torts by John Grisham
The Little Giant of Aberdeen County by Tiffany Baker
Let the Great World Spin by Colum McCann
White Oleander by Janet Fitch
Strangers in the Land of Egypt by Stephen March
The Imperfectionists by Tom Rachman
The Riders by Tim Winton
The Aloha Quilt by Jennifer Chiaverini
Great Lakes Legends: Stormcatchers by Colleen Roads
Zero by Eric Van Lustbader
Split Image by Robert Parker

ROMANCE:

The Notebook by Nicholas Sparks
Wilderness Courtship by Valerie Hansen
Body Surfing by Anita Shreve

GRAPHIC NOVELS:

Persepolis by Marjane Satrapi
The Last Unicorn by Peter S. Beagle (graphic novel edition)
Fritz Leiber's Fafhrd and the Gray Mouser by Howard Chaykin and Mike Mignola

YOUNG ADULT:

Seen and Heard: Teenagers Talk About Their Lives by Mary Motley Kalergis
The Short Second Life of Bree Tanner by Stephenie Meyer
San Domingo: The Medicine Hat Stallion by Marguerite Henry
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J.K. Rowling
Greater than Angels by Carol Matas

BIOGRAPHY:

Growing Up Dead: The Hallucinated Confessions of a Teenage Deadhead by Peter Connors
Song Without Words: The Photographs and Diaries of Countess Sophia Tolstoy by Leah Bendavid-Val
More than Petticoats: Remarkable Maine Women by Kate Kennedy

OTHER NON-FICTION:

Antiques Roadshow Behind the Scenes: An Insider's Guide to PBS's #1 Weekly Show by Marsha Bemko
Lift by Kelly Corrigan
Why My Third Husband Will Be A Dog by Lisa Scottoline
Knitwear Design Workshop by Shirley Paden
This Book is Overdue!: How Librarians and Cybrarians Can Save Us All by Marilyn Johnson
Life is What You Make It by Peter Buffett
Last Child in the Woods by Richard Louv
Man's Search for Meaning: An Introduction to Logotherapy by Viktor E. Frankl
The Spice Necklace: My Adventures in Caribbean Cooking, Eating, and Island Life by Ann Vanderhoof
Ships in Bottles: A Step by Step Guide to a Venerable Nautical Craft by Don Hubbard
A Doryman's Day by Captain R. Barry Fisher
Love Smart: Find the One You Want, Fix the One You Got by Dr. Phil McGraw
Looking Back: Images of New England, 1860-1930 by Susan Mahnke
The Hero With a Thousand Faces by Joseph Campbell

SHORT STORIES:

The Boat by Nam Le
Allagash Tails: A Collection of Short Stories from Maine's Allagash Wilderness Waterway by Tim Caverly
Swords and Deviltry by Fritz Leiber
Saturday Night at Moody's Diner and Other Stories by Tim Sample

POLITICS:

Son of Hamas by Mosab Hassan Yousef

SCIENCE/HISTORY OF SCIENCE:

Packing for Mars by Mary Roach
Earl Mindell's Herb Bible by Earl Mindell

HISTORY:

With Wings Like Eagles: The Untold Story of the Battle of Britain by Michael Korda
Women on High: Pioneers of Mountaineering by Rebecca A. Brown
Secrets of the Great Old Time Cooks by Miles Kimball
The Great Reset: How New Ways of Living and Working Drive Post-Crash Prosperity by Richard Florida
Operation Mincemeat: How a Dead Man and a Bizarre Plan Fooled the Nazis and Assured an Allied Victory by Ben Macintyre
The Lighthouse at Rockland Breakwater by Ted Panayotoff and Courtney Thompson
Ghost Soldiers: The Epic Account of World War II's Greatest Rescue Mission by Hampton Sides

ESSAYS:

Maine Voices: A Celebration of the People of Maine and the Places They Love by Jeremy Sheaffer, et. al.

Well Out to Sea: Year-Round on Matinicus Island by Eva Murray

Notes from a Small Island by Bill Bryson

Mad Tuesdays by Kathy Perry

POETRY:

Beowulf by Anonymous (translated by Seamus Heaney)

Maine in Four Seasons: 20 Poets Celebrate the Turning Year by Wesley McNair (editor)

Maine Lines: Poems, Serious and Otherwise, About Maine by Harris Stewart

Letters From Maine by May Sarton

The Silence Now by May Sarton

SPORTS:

Basic Sailing: A Practical Course in Sailboat Handling by M.B. George

The Magnificent Seven: The Authorized Story of American Gold by N.H. Kleinbaum

SPECIAL "CPL AUTHORS":

At Home by the Sea by Brian Vanden Brink

How to Murder Your Mother-in-Law by Dorothy Cannell

Borderline by Gerry Boyle

At Home in Maine by Christopher Glass

Bridesmaids Revisited by Dorothy Cannell