

# Montgomery City-County Public Library

## Newly Released Titles Scheduled for SEPTEMBER 2024

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# New Releases in September

Annotations from Baker & Taylor  
Booking Ahead

## BIOGRAPHY

**Kingmaker: Pamela Harriman's Astonishing Life of Power, Seduction, and Intrigue** by Sonia Purnell

This examination of one of the unsung power players brings to life the sex, politics, yachts, palaces, fabulous clothes and reasserts her place at the heart of history.

**Lovely One** by Ketanji Brown Jackson

The first Black woman to ever be appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court pulls back the curtain to marry the public record of her life with what is less known, chronicling her plan to become a jurist on America's highest court.

**Road is Good, The: How a Mother's Strength Became a Daughter's Purpose** by Uzo Abduba

A memoir of Black immigrant identity, telling the story of a matriarch, in a unique coming-of-age story.

**Who Could Ever Love You: A Family Memoir** by Mary L. Trump

An intimate memoir concerns a father, a mother and a family's exile.

**World She Edited, The: Katharine S. White at The New Yorker** by Amy Reading

A biography of the trailblazing and era-defining New Yorker editor who helped build the magazine's legacy and transform the 20th century literary landscape for women.

## FANTASY AND SCIENCE FICTION

**Academy of Liars, An** by Alexis Henderson

A young woman with a gift for persuasion is invited to take an entrance exam for Drayton College, a school of magic hidden in a secret part of Savannah.

**Carl's Doomsday Scenario, No. 2** by Matt Dinniman

Join Carl and his ex-girlfriend's cat, Princess Donut, as they fight creatures and deadly mobs to make it to the next level and build the kind of fan following the Dungeon Masters can't ignore.

**Dearest** by Jacquie Walters

A new mom in need of help opens her door to her long-estranged mother—only to invite something much darker inside.

**Dungeon Crawler Carl, No. 1** by Matt Dinniman

Join Coast Guard vet Carl and his ex-girlfriend's cat, Princess Donut, as they try to survive the end of the world—or just get to the next level—in a video game like, trap-filled fantasy dungeon.

**Fire in the Sky** by Sophie Jordan

A servant in the court of Penterra, Tamsyn's job is to be punished for the misdeeds of the princesses and is commanded to marry Fell, the Beast of the Borderlands, leaving behind everything she's ever known.

**Haunting of Moscow House, The** by Olesya Salnikova Gilmore

In a gothic horror tale, two once-aristocratic sisters race to uncover their family's long buried secrets, in a house haunted by a past that is dangerous—and deadly—to remember.

**Lantern of Lost Memories, The** by Sanaka Hiiragi, translated by Jesse Kirkwood

A magical photo studio is the place where people go after they die to view key moments from their life—and relive one precious memory before they pass into the afterlife.

**Life Impossible, The** by Matt Haig

When Grace Winters is left a house on an island by a long-lost friend, she arrives with no guidebook and no plan.

**Rebel, No. 2** by David Weber and Richard Fox

The Fringe Worlds have paid enough of their children's lives fighting the elite Five Hundred's war against the Terran League, and they no longer care what may happen if they dare to defy the Five Hundred.

**Somewhere Beyond the Sea, No. 2** by J.T. Klune

When Arthur Parnassus, the headmaster of an orphanage catering to magical children, is summoned to make a public statement about his dark past, he finds himself in a fight for the future that his family, and all magical people deserve.

## GENERAL FICTION

**Borrowed Life of Frederick Fife, The** by Anna Johnston

Frederick Fife is lonely, broke and on the brink of homelessness until a case of mistaken identity lands him in a nursing home where he learns about a man's past and how he can return a life in better condition than he found it.

**Christmas Cottage, The, No. 9** by Davis Bunn

Childhood friends cross paths at Christmas in the kindhearted coastal town of Miramar Bay.

**Creation Lake** by Rachel Kushner

A novel about a seductive and cunning American woman who infiltrates an anarchist collective in France.

**Entitlement** by Rumaan Alam

A woman working as an assistant to a billionaire in the process of giving away his huge fortune fights the seduction of money.

**Intermezzo** by Sally Rooney

In the wake of their father's death, two brothers find different ways to deal with their grief, which affects not only their lives, but the lives of those they hold dear.

**Night We Lost Him, The** by Laura Dave

As Nora and her brother Sam unravel the mystery of their father's death, they start putting together the pieces of their father's past and uncover a family secret that changes everything.

**Playground** by Richard Powers

A tiny atoll has been chosen for humanity's next adventure: a plan to send floating, autonomous cities into the open sea, but first, the island's residents must vote to greenlight the project or turn the seastealers away.

**Reason to See You Again, A** by Jami Attenberg

A mother and her daughters find out the hard way over forty years, that running from the past can't save you.

**Santa's Secret, No. 3** by Fern Michaels

Friends since high school, four women reunite for a once-in-a-lifetime Italian adventure during Christmastime.

**Tell Me Everything** by Elizabeth Strout

While defending a man accused of killing his mother, lawyer Bob Burgess falls into a deep friendship with acclaimed writer, Lucy Barton, and they spend afternoons telling each other stories, which imbues their lives with meaning.

## GENERAL NONFICTION

**Atlas Obscura Wild Life: An Explorer's Guide to the World's Living Wonders** by Cara Giaimo and Joshua Foer

A full-color book collects, and offers information about 500 of the world's most extraordinary wild species.

**Likable Badass: How Women Get the Success They Deserve** by Alison Fragale

The author, weaving together research and real-life stories, shows how women can achieve the kind of reputation that leads to a seat at the table and a fulfilling career path.

**Nexus: A Brief History of Information Networks from the Stone Age to AI** by Noah Yuval Harari

The author explores human history to consider how the flow of information shaped us and our world.

**Second Fifty, The** by Debra Whitman

Offers guidance for living a longer, healthier, more meaningful second half of life.

## HISTORICAL FICTION

**Booklover's Library, The** by Madeline Martin

In wartime England, widow Emma seeks solace in the friendships she forms at Boots' Booklover's Library.

**Empusium, The** by Olga Tokarczuk

A novel set in a sanitarium on the eve of World War I probes the horrors that lie beneath our most hallowed ideas.

**Wildes, The** by Louis Bayard

This novel explores the life of Oscar Wilde's wife, Constance, and their sons in the aftermath of the playwright's imprisonment for homosexuality.

## HISTORY

**10/7: 100 Human Stories** by Lee Yaron, with Joshua Cohen

An account of the 10/7 attacks on Israel by Hamas as told through the stories of its victims.

**Book and Dagger** by Elyse Graham

The story of the academics who became OSS spies and invented modern spycraft tells how they were able to change the course of history and help defeat the Nazis.

**Confronting the Presidents** by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard

Aims a critical eye at every U.S. president—from Washington to Biden—including their lives, policies, and legacies.

**Small and the Mighty, The** by Sharon McMahon

Offers inspiring portraits of twelve ordinary Americans whose courage formed the character of the United States.

## MYSTERY AND DETECTIVE

**Death at the Sign of the Rook, No. 6** by Kate Atkinson

Ex-detective Jackson Brodie investigates a string of art thefts that point to a former estate that was converted into a hotel.

**Death by Misadventure, No. 18** by Tasha Alexander

Lady Emily must solve a string of high stakes “accidents” while trapped in a villa in the Bavarian Alps.

**Fatal Gambit, No. 2** by David Lagercrantz

Hans Rekke and Micaela Vargas investigate when a man brings them a recent photo of his wife, who has supposedly been dead fourteen years.

**Fatal Intrusion, No. 1** by Jeffery Deaver and Isabella Maldonado

To stop a serial killer who is threatening his sister, Homeland Security agent Carmen Sanchez teams up with a private security expert to unravel a web of secrets.

**Guide Me Home, No. 3** by Attica Locke

Detective Darren Mathews is pulled out of retirement to investigate the case of a missing college student.

**Passions in Death, No. 59** by J.D. Robb

Homicide Detective Eve Dallas hunts a killer who turns a wedding party into a murder scene.

**Serial Killer Guide to San Francisco, The** by Michelle Chouinard

The granddaughter of a serial killer is on the case when a new killer is copying her grandfather's crimes.

**We Solve Murders** by Richard Osman

Investigator Steve Wheeler helps his daughter-in-law, Amy, find out who left a dead body on a remote island with a bag of money.

**What Time the Sexton's Spade Doth Rust, No. 11** by Alan Bradley

Flavia de Luce investigates the murder of a former public hangman and uncovers secrets that are shocking.

## POLITICAL SCIENCE

**America's Deadliest Election** by Dana Bash with David Fisher

The authors focus on the violent and turbulent early American elections and what they tell us about our current political climate.

**Homeland: The War on Terror in American Life** by Richard Beck

An exploration of how the war on terror reshaped nearly every facet of American life and changed peoples' attitudes of themselves.

**Punishing Putin** by Stephanie Baker

The author explains how the West has cracked down on illicit Russian money and weaponized economic tools to counter Putin's land grab of Ukraine.

## ROMANCE

**Banned Books Club, The** by Brenda Novak

Gia Rossi comes face-to-face with Mr. Hart, the teacher who was fired after she reported him for sexual misconduct, and sets out to prove Mr. Hart's guilt.

**Book Swap, The** by Tessa Bickers

When she accidentally donates her favorite book to the library, Erin, when the book turns up later with fresh notes in the margins, starts a life-changing conversation through an anonymous book exchange.

**Counting Miracles** by Nicholas Sparks

Otis Taylor returns to Iowa to settle family affairs and find his missing niece, while Sadie West, seeking to help her family, creates a bond with him, unlocking the mystery of his niece.

**Cursed, The, No. 2** by Harper L. Woods

After her aunt's death and the demise of the Covenant, the narrator, realizing she had been naïve to a lifetime of manipulation, must protect the Coven from her husband's hatred—no matter what the cost.

**Lucy Undying** by Kiersten White

Trying to discover what she genuinely wants, Lucy Westenra finds her undead life taking a turn in London where she meets and falls in love with Iris.

## SCIENCE

**Category Five** by Porter Fox

A story of chasing the world's most devastating storms looks at the fallout of global warming, including superstorms.

**Inner Clock, The** by Lynne Peeples

Explains how the science of circadian rhythms can help people sleep better, feel happier and improve their overall health.

## SUSPENSE

**Accomplice, The** by Curtis Jackson

Texas Ranger Nia Adams goes up against a Vietnam vet turned thief who steals secrets of the rich and powerful and blackmails them for millions.

**Ashes Never Lie** by Lee Goldberg

Arson investigator Walter Sharpe and his partner, Andrew Walker, team up with two homicide detectives after a string of fires form a bizarre pattern.

**Bad Liar** by Tami Hoag

Sheriff's detective Nick Fourcade is thrust into a murder investigation while his colleague, Annie Broussard, delves into a missing person case, unraveling a web of deception and danger that leads into the Louisiana swamp.

**Capture or Kill** by Vince Flynn and Don Bentley

Mitch Rapp faces an Iranian foe bent on destabilizing the Middle East.

**Clive Cussler Ghost Soldier, No. 18** by Mike Maden

Juan Cabrilla and the crew of the Oregon track down an arms dealer chasing him from Afghanistan to Kuala Lumpur.

**Den of Iniquity** by J.A. Jance

Former cop J.P. Beaumont investigates a young man who supposedly died of a fentanyl overdose.

**Eye for an Eye, An** by Jeffrey Archer

To save innocent lives, Scotland Yard's Chief Superintendent William Warwick must untangle a master criminal's revenge plot spanning continents.

**Fire on the Horizon** by Wilbur Smith

In 1899 South Africa, the Courtneys and the Ballantynes come together once again.

**Forest of Lost Souls, The** by Dean Koontz

A fearless woman, raised in the forest, fights against a group of powerful men, in a novel about good versus evil.

**Haunted** by Kat Martin

A murder in 1898 and one in 2024 dovetail and connect in unexpected ways.

**Here One Moment** by Liane Moriarty

An ordinary flight becomes extraordinary when passengers learn of their predicted deaths from a mysterious woman known as "The Death Lady," leading to a race against time for some, and a chance to redefine their time left for others.

**Hitchcock Hotel, The** by Stephanie Wrobel

A Hitchcock fanatic with an agenda invites old friends for a weekend stay at his secluded themed hotel.

**I Dreamed of Falling** by Julia Dahl

The death of a young mother triggers an avalanche of secrets in a small Hudson Valley town.

**Legacy of Blood, No. 3** by Heather Graham

The Hungarian noblewoman, Elizabeth Bathory's unspeakable crimes against her people are being reenacted in Paris and all across the French countryside, and unless Special Agent Jeannette LaFarge and Detective Daniel Murray act quickly, the upcoming grape harvest promises to yield blood instead of wine.

**Lies He Told Me** by James Patterson and David Ellis

When Marcie Bowers, an attorney and mother of two, discovers her husband David's secret life, it could mean a death sentence for them all.

**On the Hunt** by Iris Johansen

The author introduces a new heroine—and her search-and-rescue golden retriever, Mack—as Kira Drake begins the search for an elusive killer who bombed a Paris museum.

**Precipice** by Robert Harris

In 1914 London, Venetia Stanley, a part of a fast group of upper-crust bohemians and socialites known as "The Coterie," finds her affair with the Prime Minister becoming a matter of national security that could topple the British government.

**Robert B. Parker's Buzz Kill, No.12** by Alison Gaylin

Called upon by a billionaire media mogul to investigate the disappearance of his son, PI Sunny Randall, unable to turn down his life-changing offer, is on the case, but when the bodies start piling up, she must quickly find answers before she gets caught in the crossfire.

**Safe Enough** by Lee Child

Meticulously plotted and packed with Child's trademark action and suspense, a collection of 20 short stories showcases the author's mastery of the short form.

**This Girl's a Killer** by Emma C. Wells

Cordelia is a serial killer who kills unscrupulous men, and she has never had a problem with it, until she starts to become not so sure about the new man her best friend, Diane, is dating.



