

# **Montgomery City-County Public Library**

## **Newly Released Titles Scheduled for February 2024**

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334-625-4979

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## New Releases in February Annotations from Baker & Taylor Booking Ahead

### Biography

**American Dreamer, An: Life in a Divided Country** by David Finkel

The author tells the story of the massive changes underway in America through the eyes of an Iraq war veteran engulfed by the fear and anger sweeping through his country.

**Brought Forth on this Continent: Abraham Lincoln and American Immigration** by Harold Holzer

A Lincoln historian presents an examination of how immigration before the civil war led to enormous changes in the political landscape, destroyed the Whig party and exacerbated tensions in the country.

**It's Hard for Me to Live With Me** by Rex Chapman and Seth Davis

A memoir from the University of Kentucky basketball legend and NBA veteran about his recovery from addiction.

**Life After Power: Seven Presidents and Their Search for Purpose Beyond the White House** by Jared Cohen

This book tells the story of seven former presidents who each changed history and offers lessons about how to decide what to do in the next chapter of life.

**Sharing Too Much: Musings from an Unlikely Life** by Richard Paul Evans

The author recounts his journey from childhood to writer, sharing lessons he's learned and hard-won advice about everything from marriage to parenthood.

**Unit, The: My Life Fighting Terrorists As One of America's Most Secret Military Operatives** by Adam Gamal and Kelly Kennedy

The first book to be written by a member of America's most secret military unit—an explosive and unlikely story of service, immigration, and sacrifice.

### Fantasy and Science Fiction

**Education in Malice, An** by S.T. Gibson

A dark academia tale of blood, secrets and insatiable hungers.

**Moon of the Turning Leaves** by Waubgeshig Rice

A scouting party led by Evan Whitesky ventures into unknown and dangerous territory to find a new home for their close-knit Northern Ontario Indigenous community.

**Projections** by S.E. Porter

As a young woman seeks vengeance on the sorcerer who murdered her because he could not have her, her murderer sends projections of himself out into the world to seek out and seduce women who will return the love she denied.

**Warm Hands of Ghosts, The** by Katherine Arden

Laura Ivens works to uncover the truth about her brother Freddie's supposed death in combat, while Freddie, unable to return to the killing fields, takes refuge with a man who has the power to make the hellscape of the trenches disappear.

**What Feasts at Night, No. 2** by T. Kingfisher

When they arrive at the Easton family hunting lodge, Alex Easton, Angus and Miss Potter find the caretaker dead and the grounds troubled by a strange, uncanny silence.

### General Fiction

**All My Secrets** by Lynn Austin

When her husband's death bestows his fortune on a male heir, Sylvia tries to marry her daughter off to a wealthy husband to maintain their lifestyle, but is stopped by her mother-in-law who wants more for her granddaughter.

**Blueprint, The** by Giana Rae Rashad

A novel set in an alternate United States—a world of injustice and bondage in which a young black woman becomes the concubine of a powerful white government official and must face dangerous consequences.

**Fourteen Days: A Collaborative Novel** by Margaret Eleanor Atwood, Margaret Atwood and Douglas Preston

During the pandemic, a group of neighbors gather nightly on a rooftop to tell stories.

**Love and Hot Chicken: A Delicious Southern Novel** by Mary Liza Hartong

A spicy and humorous Tennessee story about family, fried chicken and two girls in love.

**Redwood Court** by Delana R.A. Dameron

Mika Tabor learns important lessons from the people who raise her: her hardworking parents, her older sister, her retired grandparents and the community on Redwood Court.

**Summer Book Club, The** by Susan Mallery

Three women join a local bookstore's summer book club and become life-long friends as they navigate motherhood, second chances and becoming the person they've always wanted to be.

**Wandering Stars** by Tommy Orange

Traces the legacies of the Sand Creek Massacre of 1864 and the Carlisle Indian Industrial School through to the shattering aftermath of Orvil Red Feather's shooting in There There.

**Women, The** by Kristin Hannah

Nursing student Frankie McGrath impulsively joins the Army Nurse Corps and follows her brother to Vietnam where she is overwhelmed by the destruction of war, as well as the unexpected trauma of coming home to a changed America.

## General Nonfiction

**Hello, Friends!: Stories of Dating, Destiny, and Day Jobs** by Dulce Sloan

A standup comic offers a comedic trip through her whirlwind life.

**Murder in Hollywood, A: The Untold Story of Tinseltown's Most Shocking Crime** by Casey Sherman

Recounts how a famous starlet from the 1940s and 1950s became involved with a West Coast mob boss and explores the trial that resulted from his murder at the hands of the actress' daughter.

**Pathway to Success, The: Letting God Lead You to a Life of Meaning and Purpose** by Joyce Meyer

The renowned Bible teacher shows readers how to realign their perspective on success to conform with God's vision for the kind of life that brings us true purpose and lasting joy.

**Why We Read: On Bookworms, Libraries, and Just One More Page Before Lights Out** by Shannon Reed

A humorous and incisive exploration of the joys of reading from a teacher, bibliophile and Thurber Prize finalist.

**Why We Remember: Unlocking Memory's Power to Hold on to What Matters** by Charan Ranganath

A neuroscientist and psychologist unveils the hidden role memory plays throughout our lives and how once we understand its power we can cut through the clutter to remember the things we want to remember.

**Zenith Man: Death, Love & Redemption in a Georgia Courtroom** by Mccracken Poston

This story of an unexpected friendship between two very different men recounts the case of Alvin Ridley, an autistic repair man accused of murdering his wife, and the lawyer who believed in –and proved– his innocence.

## Health & Fitness

**And Then We Rise: A Guide to Loving and Taking Care of Self** by Common

A self-help book from the noted musical artist and actor.

**Cycle, The: Confronting the Pain of Periods and PMDD** by Shalene Gupta

The author, sharing her own experience with premenstrual dysphoric disorder (PMDD), provides this intimate and hopeful book for those navigating a world ill-equipped to support their health.

**Mayo Clinic on Healthy Aging: An Easy and Comprehensive Guide to Keeping Your Body Young, Your Mind Sharp and Your Spirit Fulfilled** by Nathan K. Lebrasseur and Christina Chen

An easy-to-understand yet comprehensive guide to help people live longer and more purposeful lives.

**Stand by Me: A Guide to Navigating Modern, Meaningful Caregiving** by Allison J. Applebaum

A clinical psychologist, sharing her own personal journey, gives caregivers the practical tools and support they need to provide their loved ones with the best quality of life and care possible, while promoting their own wellbeing.

## Historical Fiction

**Medea** by Eilish Quin

This novel follows Medea as she travels the seas with her husband, the hero Jason, and the Argonauts, battles demons and falls in love with the man who may ultimately be her downfall.

**No Better Time: A Novel of the Spirited Women of the 6888 Central Postal Directory Battalion** by Sheila Williams

In 1945, Dorothy and 800 African American WACs arrive at their post in England where they are tasked with processing mail sent to GIs from their loved ones back home.

**Queens of London** by Heather Webb

Criminal mastermind Alice Diamond must outwit and outsmart Britain's first female policewoman who is determined to prove herself by putting Alice out of business—permanently.

**We Are Only Ghosts** by Jeffrey L. Richards

Headwaiter Charles Ward, when Berthold Werden, the Nazi officer who was both his savior and tormentor, walks into Café Marie, is forced to revisit the pain and brief, undeniable pleasures of the life he once knew.

## History

**Deerfield Massacre, The** by James L. Swanson

The historian brings to life the deadly confrontation between Native Americans and colonists in Massachusetts in 1704, which led to one of the greatest sagas of adventure, survival, sacrifice, honor and faith ever told in North America.

**Medgar and Myrlie: Medgar Evers and the Love Story that Awakened America** by Joy-Ann Reid

This account of Medgar and Myrlie Evers is told through their relationship and the work that went into winning basic rights for Black Americans, and the repercussions that still resonate today.

**Normal Women: Nine Hundred Years of Making History** by Philippa Gregory

The author redefines "normal" female behavior to include heroism, rebellion, crime, treason, money-making and sainthood.

**Our Ancient Faith: Lincoln, Democracy, and the American Experiment** by Allen C. Guelzo

An expert on Lincoln captures the president's firmly held belief that democracy was the greatest political achievement in history, providing us with a deeper understanding of this fascinating man.

**Radical Reparations: Healing a Nation's Soul** by Marcus Hunter

The social justice pioneer offers a unifying and unconventional framework for achieving holistic and comprehensive healing of African American communities by reimagining reparations through a profound new lens.

## Mystery and Detective

**Antique Hunter's Guide to Murder, The** by C.L. Miller

A former antique hunter investigates a death at an isolated English manor, embroiling her back in the world of tracking stolen artifacts.

**Boy Who Cried Bear, The, No. 2** by Kelley Armstrong

Detective Casey Duncan and her husband, Sheriff Eric Dalton, must find out what they're up against when the town's youngest resident claims a bear with human eyes is stalking a hiking party, and then a dead body turns up.

**Catered Quilting Bee, A., No. 17** by Isis Crawford

When one of their members is discovered dead, the members of the Longley Sip and Sew Quilting Circle don't accept the police's determination of suicide.

**Death of a Spy, No. 36** by M.C. Beaton with R.W. Green

Sergeant Hamish Macbeth introduces his new assistant officer, James Bland, an American who is secretly investigating a Russian spy ring.

**Fatal First Edition, No. 14** by Jenn McKinlay

While attending a conference, library director Lindsey Norris discovers a rare, first edition book inscribed to Alfred Hitchcock and tied to a murder.

**Kamogawa Good Detectives, The, No. 1** by Hisashi Kashiwai, translated by Jesse Kirkwood

"Food detectives" Koishi Kamogawa and her father, Nagare, through ingenious investigations, recreate dishes from a person's treasured memories, which hold the keys to their forgotten past and future happiness.

**Lantern's Dance, The, No. 18** by Laurie R. King

Discovering an old journal written in a nearly impenetrable code, Mary Russell, when secrets of the past appear to be reaching into the present, must figure out how these items are related to Damian—and possibly to Sherlock Holmes himself.

## Nature

**Big Meg: The Story of the Largest and Most Mysterious Predator that Ever Lived** by Tim Flannery and Emma Flannery

The scientist team presents an account of the ancient marine creature known as the megalodon, a now extinct shark that was the largest predator of all time.

**Four Thousand Paws** by Lee Morgan

A veterinarian who cares for the dogs who compete in the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Races shares the story of the heroic canine athletes who risk injury, illness and fatigue while facing the dangers of the Arctic.

## Political Science

**Attack from Within: How Disinformation is Sabotaging America** by Barbara Mcquade

The author looks at the history and current threat of disinformation from Mussolini and Hitler to Bolsonaro and Trump while offering practical solutions to overcoming its influence on democracy.

**Primary Solution, The** by Nick Troiano

The author makes a bold proposal to abolish party primaries in our country to offer voters across the political spectrum a realistic roadmap to a more representative and functional democracy.

## Psychology

**How to Find a Four-Leaf Clover: What Autism Can Teach Us About Difference, Connection and Belonging**

by Jodi Rodgers

The disability rights advocate shares stories from her career working within the autistic community and calls for a more accepting and inclusive society.

## Romance

**Bride** by Ali Hazelwood

Misery Lark, daughter of the most powerful Vampyre councilman must leave her life of anonymity among the humans and uphold an alliance with the Weres by marrying their Alpha, Lowe Moreland.

**Love Song for Ricki Wilde, A** by Tia Williams

Leaving behind her socialite family in Atlanta, Ricki Wilde moves to New York to open a flower shop as the Harlem Renaissance swirls around her.

**Messy Life of Jane Tanner, The, No. 3** by Brenda Novak

From the best-selling author comes the third and final book in the Coyote Canyon trilogy.

**Simply the Best** by Susan Elizabeth Phillips

When Brett, the hottest sports agent in the business, and Rory, the sister of his superstar client, meet and have a disastrous one-night stand resulting in murder, they find things getting messy, heartbreaking and sexy as they struggle with love.

## Self-Help

**Dear Black Girls: How to Be True to You** by A'ja Wilson

From an Olympic gold medalist and professional basketball MVP comes an inspirational collection on what it means to grow up as a black girl in America.

## Social Science

**If You See Them: Young, Unhoused, and Alone in America** by Vicki Sokolik

An exploration of the crisis of homeless youth—told through the stories of a woman on the frontlines and the kids themselves.

**Latinoland: A Portrait of America's Largest and Least Understood Minority** by Marie Arana

This overview of the little-known history of the diverse Latino experience in America is based on hundreds of interviews and research about the fastest-growing minority in America.

## Suspense

**Atlas Maneuver, The, No. 18,** by Steve Berry

When he becomes caught in a war between the world's oldest bank and the CIA, retired Justice Department operative Cotton Malone must stop cryptocurrency from being weaponized to attack the world's financial systems.

**Chaos Agent, The, No. 13** by Mark Greaney

Coming out of hiding when someone starts killing experts on robotics and intelligence, Gray Man, the world's deadliest assassin, must elude his enemies to uncover a global plot.

**Chasing Endless Summer** by V.C. Andrews

Forced to live with her cruel grandfather and cousin in a gloomy mansion, Caroline hopes for a new and normal life after her estranged father resurfaces.

**Crosshairs, No. 16** by James Patterson and James O. Born

NYC detective Michael Bennett teams up with a former Army Ranger and sniper whose long, unexplained absences from duty cause suspicions during the investigation of a serial killer.

**End of Story** by J.A. Finn

Invited by a mystery novelist to help draft his life story, a longtime detective fiction expert finds herself in a real whodunit when she learns the writer's first wife and son mysteriously vanished.

**Everyone Who Can Forgive Me Is Dead** by Jenny Hollander

After fleeing as the lone surviving witness to gruesome events at her school, Charlie Colbert disappeared and rebuilt her life only to discover that the events of that night are being adapted into a film.

**Ghost Orchid, The** by Jonathan Kellerman

Psychologist Alex Delaware and LAPD homicide lieutenant Milo Sturgis are led to L.A.'s darkest side as they contend with one of the most shocking cases of their careers.

**Guest, The** by B.A. Paris

When their friend Laure moves in after her husband reveals he's had a child with another woman, Iris and Gabriel, with broken relationships and hidden motives piling up around them, must reckon with whether their happy life has been an illusion.

**Hollywood Hustle** by Jon Lindstrom

When his troubled adult daughter has been kidnapped, a washed-up movie star with no money to pay the ransom, turns to his closest friends, a legendary Hollywood stunt man and a disgraced former LAPD detective, to get her back.

**Last Night** by Luanne Rice

An artist is found murdered and her young daughter gone missing, plunging Detective Conor Reid, his brother Tom, and the woman's grieving sister into an investigation.

**Leave No Trace, No. 1** by A.J. Landau, Jon Land and Jeff Ayers

After an explosion brings down the Statue of Liberty, Special Agent Michael Walker of the National Park Service is sent to New York to investigate, and finds a young survivor with an important piece of information.

**Lone Wolf, No. 9** by Gregg Hurwitz

Orphan X helps a little girl find her missing dog and finds himself battered between feuding AI technocrat billionaires and a female assassin called The Wolf.

**My Name Was Eden** by Eleanor Barker-White

When her daughter Eden, after surviving a drowning incident, comes home from the hospital and starts calling herself Eli, the name she'd reserved for Eden's unborn twin, Lucy knows something's very wrong with Eden.

**One Wrong Word** by Hank Phillippi Ryan

With just two weeks to save her career and reputation, crisis management expert Arden Ward takes on the case of a Boston real estate mogul recently acquitted in a fatal drunk driving accident and soon discovers she is protecting a murderer.

**Resort, The** by Sara Ochs

Taking her students out for their first dive, scuba diving instructor Cass, when things quickly spiral out of control, leaving one person dead and another injured, realizes that someone has discovered her secret.

**Three-Inch Teeth, No. 24** by C.J. Box

When the outlaw he locked up years ago is released from prison, determined to take revenge on the six people who sent him away, game warden Joe Pickett soon discovers he's one of those six people.

**Union Station, No. 8** by David Downing

Living a comfortable life in Los Angeles with his family, English journalist John Russell, a former double agent for Soviet and American intelligence, starts researching a World War II conspiracy, bringing him face-to-face with the dangerous instability of a post-Stalin Berlin—a city that was once his home.

**Year of the Locust, The** by Terry Hayes

CIA spy Kane travels to the badlands where the borders of Pakistan, Iran and Afghanistan meet, to exfiltrate a man with vital information for the safety of the West—but instead he meets an adversary who will take the world to the brink of extinction.



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