

Montgomery City-County Public Library

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334-625-4999

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2590 Bell Road
334-625-4844

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3095 Mobile Highway
334-625-4848

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2885-B East South Boulevard
334-284-7929

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840 Coliseum Boulevard
334-271-7005

Bertha P. Williams Library @ Rosa Parks Avenue
1276 Rosa Parks Avenue
334-625-4979

Ramer Branch Library
5444 State Highway 94
334-562-3364

Pike Road Branch Library
9585 Vaughn Road
334-244-8679

Pintlala Branch Library
255 Federal Road
334-625-4890

Hampstead Branch Library
5251 Hampstead High Street, Suite 107
334-625-4885

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New Releases in July

Annotations from Baker & Taylor
Booking Ahead

Biography

Agent Josephine: American Beauty, French Hero, British Spy by Damien Lewis

The story of the world's richest and most glamorous entertainer looks at her heroic stint during WWII as an Allied spy.

Game by Grant Hill

The story of a journey from the pinnacle of success as a basketball player, icon and entrepreneur, to the depths of personal trauma and back, to a place of flourishing and peace—made possible by a family's love.

Proving Ground: The Untold Story of the Six Women Who Programmed the World's First Modern Computer by Kathy Kleiman

This story restores the six women who programmed the world's first modern computer to their rightful place as technological revolutionaries.

Split Decision: Life Stories by Ice-T; Spike; and Douglas Century

Actor, rapper, and producer Ice-T unveils a memoir of his early life robbing jewelry stores until he found fame and fortune—while a handful of bad choices sent his former crime partner down a different path.

Espionage

Armored by Mark Greaney

After losing part of his left leg, a former Close Protection Agent takes a job as a mall cop to support his family, but runs into an old friend who has a more intriguing job offer.

Portrait of an Unknown Woman by Daniel Silva

Spy Gabriel Allon scours Europe for the secret behind the forgery of a 17th-century masterpiece that has fooled experts and exchanged hands for millions.

Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Sacrifice, No. 3 by Brian Freeman

Fast on the trail of Lennon, an inventive and dangerous assassin, Jason Bourne, believing Lennon's employer is the Pyramid, a corrupt conglomerate, draws his ex-lover into his investigation and he must keep her safe when Lennon sets his sights on her.

Fantasy

Book of Gothel, The by Mary Mcmyne

This dark reimagining of the story of Rapunzel, presents the witch's perspective.

In the Shadow of Lightning, No. 1 (Glass Immortals) by Brian McClellan

Demir returns from exile as head of the family and discovers that godglass, the power that runs civilization, is in low supply.

Mermaid of Black Conch, The by Monique Roffey

Mermaid Aycayia, after being rescued from tourists, relearns what it is to be human, a difficult task after centuries of loneliness.

What Moves the Dead by T. Kingfisher

When he receives word that his childhood friend Madeline Usher is dying, retired soldier Alex Easton races to the house of Usher where he recruits a British mycologist and a baffled American doctor to unravel the truth.

General Fiction

Acts of Violet by Margarita Montimore

As the 10-year anniversary of the mid-act disappearance of her magician sister approaches, Sasha, who has been raising her niece Quinn, is pursued by a podcaster devoted to the mystery.

Big Girl by Jamilah Mecca Sullivan

Traces the intergenerational hungers and desires of black womanhood, as told through the voice of Malava Clondon.

The Bodyguard by Katherine Center

Hired as superstar actor Jack Stapleton's bodyguard, Hannah Brooks must pose as his girlfriend while visiting his family's ranch in Texas where she finds it easy to protect him, but hard to protect her own heart.

Corinne by Rebeca Morrow

An unforgettable story about a love that won't let go.

Displacements, The by Bruce Holsinger

When a hurricane upends everything, the privileged Larson-Hall family find themselves displaced to a FEMA shelter where their new community includes an insurance-agent-turned-drug dealer and a group of vulnerable children.

Fellowship Point by Alice Elliott Dark

A retiring children's book author looking to secure her legacy tries to get the Maine coast where her novels are set donated to a trust, but must first convince the shareholders, one of which is her best friend.

Florida Woman by Deb Rogers

After going viral for a crime she never meant to commit, a Florida woman accepts a community service placement at a wildlife refuge and ventures into a world of secrets and danger.

Other Names for Love by Taymour Soomro

A novel about a boy's life-changing summer in rural Pakistan: a story of fathers, sons, and the consequences of desire.

Sugar and Salt by Susan Wiggs

Arriving in San Francisco to get a fresh start, Margot Salton, a BBQ Master from Texas, shares a kitchen with baker Jerome "Sugar" Barnes—the perfect set-up that leads to love until Margot's past comes back to haunt her.

General Nonfiction

Between Us: How Cultures Create Emotions by Batja Mesquita

A pioneer of cultural psychology argues that emotions are not innate, but made as we live our lives together.

How to Create a Wildlife Garden: Bringing Nature in, What to Plant Where by Christine Lavelle & Mick Lavelle

An inspiring book shows how simple gardening techniques can provide a dazzling plant display while helping native wildlife.

Self-Healing Mind, The: An Essential Five-Step Practice for Overcoming Anxiety and Depression, and Revitalizing Your Life by Scott Gregory Brown

A psychiatrist offers a holistic approach to emotional and psychological healing that utilizes a combination of conventional treatments along with the Five Pillars of Self-Care—breathing mindfully, sleep, spirituality, nutrition and movement.

Historical Fiction

Librarian Spy, The: A Novel of World War II by Madeline Martin

Posing as a librarian in Lisbon while working undercover as a spy during WWII, Ava, as the battle in Europe rages, connects with a woman who runs a printing press in occupied France, and through coded messages bring hope in the face of war.

Switchboard Soldiers by Jennifer Chiaverini

In 1917, Grace Banker from N.J., Marie Moisseac from France, and Valerie DeSmedt from Belgium, are recruited as telephone operators, aka switchboard soldiers, to help American forces communicate between troops as bombs fall around them.

History

Pope at War, The: The Secret History of Pius XII, Mussolini, and Hitler by David I. Kertzer

Based on newly opened Vatican archives, the author paints a new, dramatic portrait of what Pope Pius XII, did and did not do during WWII as the Nazis began their systematic mass murder of Europe's Jews.

School that Escaped from the Nazis, The by Deborah Cadbury

The true story of a courageous school principal, Anna Essinger, who saw the dangers of Nazi Germany and took drastic steps to save those in harms way.

Mystery and Detective

Confidence by Denise Mina

While on vacation with their blended family, Anna McDonald and Fin Cohen take off to try to solve the case of a kidnapping.

Hidden One, The, No. 14 (Kate Burkholder) by Linda Castillo

When her first love is accused of murdering an Amish bishop 10 years ago, Kate Burkholder, forced to confront a painful episode from her past, discovers a dark side to the victim that puts her own life in danger.

Hokuloa Road by Elizabeth Hand

A young man is drawn into the dark side of paradise in this mystery about the eerie secrets of one Hawaiian island—and the lengths some will go to keep them.

Holy Chow, No. 25 (Andy Carpenter) by David Rosenfelt

A retired lawyer running a dog rescue must make good on a promise to an elderly woman to take in her Chow Chow if she died.

Miss Aldridge Regrets by Louise Hare

In 1936 London, down-on-her-luck actress Lena Aldridge is offered the role of a lifetime in New York, and sailing aboard the Queen Mary, is drawn into the fold of a wealthy family and their bizarre family dynamic where her greatest performance will be for her life.

Murder Spills the Tea, No. 3 (Tea by the Sea Mysteries) by Vicki Delany

During the filming of the country's hottest TV cooking show at her tea room, a bad-boy chef and celebrity judge are murdered with her rolling pin, Lily whips up an impromptu investigation to catch a killer.

Paper Caper, The, No. 16 (Bibliophile Mysteries) by Kate Carlisle

During the Mark Twain festival, media mogul Joseph Cabot runs a citywide contest, giving one lucky look-a-like access to his wealth for a few days, which leads to murder, and Brooklyn must quickly solve this case before another murder occurs.

Sweet Remnants of Summer, No. 14 (Isabel Dalhousie) by Alexander McCall Smith

Serving on the advisory committee of the Scottish National Portrait Gallery, Isabel intercedes on a philosophical disagreement between family members, while her husband, Jamie, seeks a new cellist for his ensemble.

Unkept Woman, The, No. 4 (Sparks & Bainbridge Mysteries) by Allison Montclair

In 1946 London, the proprietors of the Right Sort Marriage Bureau—Miss Iris Sparks and Mrs. Gwendolyn Bainbridge—must deal with fallout from the war as they each contend with disruptions in their personal lives.

Woman in the Library, The by Sulari Gentill

Four strangers in a library strike up a friendship. One of them is a murderer. As they each share their stories, which one has something to hide?

Nature

Immense World, An: How Animal Senses Reveal the Hidden Realms Around Us by Ed Young

The author examines how the world of animal senses can help us understand and transform the way that we perceive our world.

Pig Years by Ellyn Gaydos

An itinerant farmhand chronicles the wonders hidden within the ever-blooming seasons of life, death and rebirth.

Political Science

Arc of a Covenant, The: The United States, Israel, and the Fate of the Jewish People by Russell Walter Mead

Citing examples from the earliest pilgrims to the present day, a columnist illuminates the place of Israel in American foreign policy, investigates the changing politics around the U.S.-Israel relationship, and unlocks the connection between that relationship and the upheavals reshaping American life.

Big Lie, The: Election Chaos, Political Opportunism, and the State of American Politics after 2020 by Jonathan Lemire

An analysis of the current state of American politics by the White House Correspondent for the Associated Press focuses on Donald Trump's lie about election fraud.

Defeating Big Government Socialism: Saving America's Future by Newt Gingrich

The former speaker of the House reveals how "Big Government" socialism is crippling America—and offers strategies and insights for everyday citizens to overcome its influence.

Suppression, Deception, Snobbery, and Bias: Why the Press Gets So Much Wrong—and Just Doesn't Care

By Ari Fleischer

A media consultant and former Press Secretary accuses American journalism of becoming the domain of the woke young urban elite who are shutting down the very conversations which we must have to bring the country back together.

They Want to Kill Americans: The Militias, Terrorists, and Deranged Ideology of the Trump Insurgency

By Malcolm Nance

Offers a detailed look into the heart of the active Trump-led insurgency, setting the state for a second nation-wide rebellion.

Romance

Aura of Night, No. 37 (Krewe of Hunters) by Heather Graham

Meghan Law uses her talent in uncovering people's words' true meanings as a consultant for the FBI along with Special Agent Ragnar Johansen and his K-9 helper, Red.

Best is Yet to Come, The by Debbie Macomber

After the death of her twin brother, teacher Hope Godwin moves to Oceanside, Washington, where she falls in love with animal shelter volunteer, and wounded ex-marine, Cade Lincoln, Jr. and a dog named Shadow, finally finding peace with her new home until Cade's past comes back with a vengeance.

Falling, The: A Brightest Stars Novel by Anna Todd

When 20 year old Karina meets Kael, a handsome soldier on the cusp of discharge, she's immediately intrigued by his brooding presence and enigmatic silence.

Grace Under Fire, No. 14 (Buchanan/FBI) by Julie Garwood

Grace MacKenna is assisted by a former Navy SEAL and current lawyer after a wounded man stumbles into her arms and she shoots the attacker threatening them both.

Honey and Spice by Bolu Babalola

A young black British woman with a popular student radio show that dishes out relationship advice finds her show and reputation on the line after she publicly makes out with a man she denounced.

Remember Love, No. 1 (Ravenswood) by Mary Balogh

Exiled as a traitor from his family, Devlin Ware is called home six years later when his father dies and, trying to fix his fractured family, realizes he still has feelings for Gwyneth Ross, whom he loved and lost after his family banished him.

Science

Before the Big Bang: The Origin of the Universe and What Lies Beyond by Laura Mersini-Houghton

One of the world's leading experts on the multiverse and the origins of the universe presents a revolutionary new account of the events leading up to the Big Bang.

How the Mind changed: A Human History of Our Evolving Brain by Joseph Jebelli

This account of how the human brain has evolved explores the development of memory, language, consciousness, intelligence, neurodiversity and emotions and examines what the future may hold for our brains.

Transformer: The Deep Chemistry of Life and Death by Nick Lane

From the renowned biochemist comes an illuminating inquiry into the Krebs cycle and the origins of life.

Science Fiction

Daughter of Doctor Moreau, The by Silvia Moreno-Garcia

When the arrival of Eduardo Lizalde sets motion to a dangerous chain of events, Carlota Moreau finds her carefully constructed world falling down around her as passion is ignited in the heat of the jungle.

Prayer for the Crown-Shy, A, No.2 (Monk & Robot) by Becky Chambers

Returning from Panga, Sibling Dex, a Tea Monk, and Mosschap, a robot, focus on finding answers and making new friends on the small moon they call home.

Three Miles Down by Harry Turtledove

A grad student in marine biology recruited to the top-secret "Project Azorian" learns the real reason they are diving in the north Pacific Ocean.

Suspense

6:20 Man, The by David Baldacci

After a cryptic murder, a former soldier-turned-entry-level analyst, who boards the 6:20 commuter train like clockwork, is forced into a clandestine investigation into his firm that takes him to the darkest corners of the country's economic halls of power.

Big Dark Sky by Dean R. Koontz

Drawn to a Montana homestead, Joanna Chase and others converge on this remote ranch where a madman lurks with a vision to save the future through murder.

Chrysalis, No. 6 (Jeremy Logan) by Lincoln Child

Famed enigmologist Jeremy Logan is summoned by a multibillion dollar tech company to investigate an anomaly in their new product rollout and discovers something very wrong.

Cold, Cold Bones, No. 21 (Temperance Brennan) by Kathy Reichs

A forensic anthropologist discovers a very fresh, human eyeball in a box on her porch with coordinates etched into it that point to a murder at a Benedictine monastery.

Iced by Felix Francis

When Miles Pussett discovers something suspicious is going on in the races, something that may have a profound impact on his future, he begins a search for answers.

It Girl, The by Ruth Ware

After John Neville, the man convicted of killing her best friend 10 years earlier, dies in prison, Hannah Jones, after new evidence proving his innocence surfaces, reconnects with old friends and realizes they all have something to hide-including a murder.

Just Like Home by Sarah Gailey

There are secrets yet undiscovered in the foundations of the notorious Crowder House. Vera must face them and find out for herself just how deep the rot goes.

Last to Vanish, The by Megan Miranda

When a journalist investigating a string of unsolved disappearances goes missing, Abigail Lovett decides to investigate and discovers how little she knows about her coworkers, neighbors and those closest to her.

Listen to Me, No. 13 (Rizzoli & Isles) by Tess Gerritsen

Detective Jane Rizzoli and medical examiner Maura Isles are plagued by the senseless murder of a widow and nurse, who, as they investigate further, is linked to an open hit-and-run case from months earlier.

Reputation by Sarah Vaughan

A politician constantly under fire, Emma, lobbying for a new law to protect women and girls from online bullying, is pushed to the limit when a body is found in her house.

Retreat, The by Sarah Pearse

On an island off the English coast, once a playground for a serial killer and rumored to be cursed, Detective Elin Warner, after a young woman is found dead someone and else drowns in a diving incident, finds history repeating itself.

Raising Tiger by Brad Thor

America's top spy, Scot Harvath, with democracy itself hanging in the balance, is thrust into a completely unfamiliar culture where he can trust no one as he fights to take down the country's most powerful enemy.

Shattered by James Patterson & James O. Born

When his partner and best friend FBI abduction specialist Emily Parker is murdered, NYPD master homicide investigator Michael Bennett takes on the most personal investigation of his career.

Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow by Gabrielle Zevin

Embarking on a collaboration launching them to stardom, two friends have the world at their feet until they discover that their success, brilliance and money won't protect them from their own creative ambitions or the betrayals of the heart.

Upgrade by Blake Crouch

When his DNA is rewritten with a genetic-engineering breakthrough beyond anything the world has ever seen, Logan Ramsey finds his transformation threatening everything around him as he is forced to take sides in a fight to save humankind.

