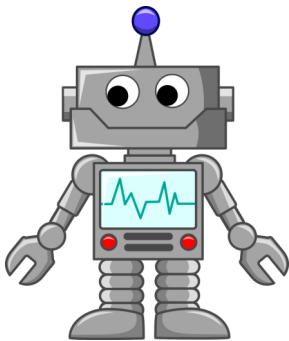


As Artificial Intelligence, also known as AI, becomes more prevalent it is important to keep yourself and your personal information safe! Robocalls and scammers can use artificial voices to trick you into thinking it's a loved one needing money or gift cards. Be sure to check with a trusted friend or family member if you think something might be a scam. If you receive a phone call from an unknown number, you don't have to answer it. Anyone that really wants to speak with you will leave a voicemail message. Some phone scammers can even record your voice so if you've answered a call that might be a scam, hang up immediately. If you think you've been a victim of a scam or fraud, you can call your local police or sheriff non-emergency line and detectives will be glad to help you. Remember, if it sounds too good to be true- it probably is!



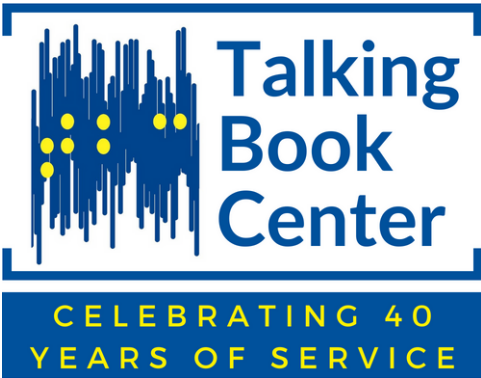
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- DB97156 Artificial Intelligence: A Guide For Thinking Humans by Melanie Mitchell (computers)
- DB61318 The Singularity Is Near: When Humans Transcend Biology by Ray Kurzweil (science, technology)
- DB97029 Human Compatible: Artificial Intelligence And The Problem Of Control by Stuart J. Russell (computers)



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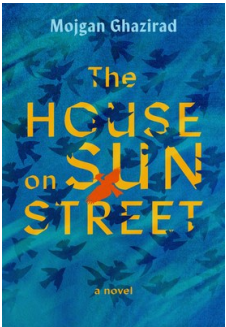


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Local Events:

The Staunton Public Library will be hosting an author discussion on behalf of the annual Virginia Festival Of The Book. Tuesday, March 12 starting at 7:00 pm. Join author Mojgan Ghazirad as she discusses her latest novel The House On Sun Street. This book is currently “in process” as a talking book, but we will be receiving it at a later date. Annotation: From Moji’s house on Sun Street in Tehran, readers experience the 1979 Iranian revolution through the eyes of a young girl and her family members during a time of concussive political and social change. The days of listening to her grandfather recount enchanting stories of One Thousand and One Nights seem far gone as Moji endures the harrowing first days of the violent revolution, a fraught passage to the US where there is only hostility from her classmates during the Iranian hostage crisis, her father’s detainment by the Islamic Revolutionary Army, and finally, the massive change in the status of women in post-revolution Iran.



On March 17 at 11:00 am, author Rachel Cantor will be speaking about her latest novel Half-Life Of A Stolen Sister, an innovative revisioning of the Brontë family’s lives. Her reading will be interspersed with exciting, imaginative performances from Wuthering Heights by actors of a local theater organization. This free event will be hosted at the American Shakespeare Center but registration is required. www.VABook.org

- DB21671 The Tenant Of Wildfell Hall ; Agnes Grey by Anne Brontë (2 romance novels)
- DB25178 Wuthering Heights by Emily Brontë (gothic fiction)
- DB38614 The Complete Poems by Emily Brontë (poetry)
- DB47868 Jane Eyre by Charlotte Brontë (gothic fiction)
- DB17797 Emma by Charlotte Brontë (literature)
- DB20370 Shirley by Charlotte Brontë (historical fiction)
- DB22747 Villette by Charlotte Brontë (romance)



Patron Recommendations:

DB32026 The Firm by John Grisham (legal fiction, mystery)
Bendini, Lambert, and Locke is a Memphis law firm specializing in taxes and making millionaires. The extensive dossier it has on Mitchell McDeere indicates he is just the man for their firm. To Mitch, their job offer seems too good to be true. He accepts, and it isn't long before he begins to realize that the firm is not what it appears to be. Suddenly Mitch finds himself between a rock and a hard place. Some strong language. 1991.

DB116410 The Exchange: After The Firm by John Grisham (legal fiction, mystery)
What became of Mitch and Abby McDeere after they exposed the crimes of Memphis law firm Bendini, Lambert & Locke and fled the country? It is now fifteen years later, and Mitch and Abby are living in Manhattan, where Mitch is a partner at the largest law firm in the world. When a mentor in Rome asks him for a favor that will take him far from home, Mitch finds himself at the center of a sinister plot that has worldwide implications, and once again endangers his friends and family. Mitch has become a master at staying one step ahead of his adversaries, but this time there's nowhere to hide. Unrated. 2023

New and Popular Books on BARD:

DB117366 The Heirloom by Beverley Lewis (religious fiction)

DB117951 The Moores Are Missing by James Patterson (mystery)

DB117782 Manner Of Death by Robin Cook (medical fiction, thriller)

DB118044 The Wolf And The Man by Max Brand (western)

DB117953 Traitors Gate; William Warrick 06 by Jeffrey Archer (susp.)

DB117205 Flags On The Bayou by James Lee Burke (historical suspense)

DB117216 Weapons Of Opportunity; Nick Flynn 03 by Dale Brown (spy fiction)

DB117396 The Longmire Defense; Walt Longmire 19 by Craig Johnson (mystery)

DB117253 Astor: The Rise And Fall Of An American Fortune by Anderson Cooper (bio.)

DB117840 Be Useful: Seven Tools For Life by Arnold Schwarzenegger (self-help)

DB118053 Oath And Honor: A Memoir And A Warning by Liz Cheney (government biog.)

DB117594 Scalia: Rise To Greatness, 1936-1986 by James Rosen (government biog.)

DB117593 Untouchable: How Powerful People Get Away With It by Elie Honig (politics)

DB117921 Chita: A Memoir by Chita Rivera (autobiography, self-narrated))

DB117596 This Is What America Looks Like: My Journey From Refugee To Congresswoman by Ilhan Omar (autobiography, self-narrated)

DB116687 My Name Is Barbara by Barbra Streisand (autobiography, self-narrated)



Global Reading: Czech Republic

DB23403 The Casting Of Bells by Jaroslav Seifert (poetry)
A collection of poems inspired by the 1968 Prague uprising. Read and loved by his countrymen, Seifert is the first Czech-language writer to be honored with a Nobel Prize for literature. 1983. (1984 Nobel Prize)

DB16415 The Good Soldier Schweik by Jaroslav Hašek (historical fic.)
Satire on human folly opens in Prague on the eve of World War I. The hero, an ex-soldier discharged from military service earns a living by selling mongrel dogs with forged pedigrees. With only his wits and peasant shrewdness to rely on, the good soldier manages to foil the Austro-Hungarian war machine and escape. 1921.

DB39247 I Am Snowing: The Confessions Of A Woman Of Prague by Pavel Kohout
Petra Marova is a Czech woman just entering middle age. Her private world strangely reflects the unsettled climate of the early 1990s in Prague, now free of communist rule. Petra is troubled by questions about the political pasts of her lovers. 1992.

DB45851 Apocryphal Tales: With A Selection Of Fables And Would-Be Tales
by Karel Čapek (short stories)
Short stories: Views of European history and mythology from the perspective of his times in order to highlight social and political concerns. 1932.

DB50755 Lovers For A Day by Ivan Klíma (short stories)
Twelve short stories written between 1962 and 1994, portraying new, old, or mismatched lovers. In "A Baffling Choice," a twenty-six-year-old married mother astonishes her husband (and the divorce court judge) by having an affair with a neighbor who requires crutches to walk and is many years her senior. 1999.

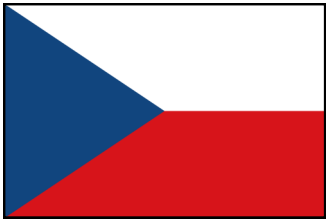
DBG04046 Two Murders In My Double Life: A Crime Novel In Two Interlocking Movements by Josef Škvorecký (mystery)
A college professor in Canada tries to solve the murder of a fellow professor's husband. Once that mystery has been solved he must try to extract himself, and his wife, from a web of political intrigue in their native country. 1996.

DB38410 The Metamorphosis And Other Stories by Franz Kafka (short stories)
A three-part novella--a man awakens one morning from agitated dreams to find himself transformed into a monstrous insect. 1915.

DB101112 Children Of The Holocaust: Conversations With Sons And Daughters Of Survivors by Helen Epstein (biography, history) 1979.

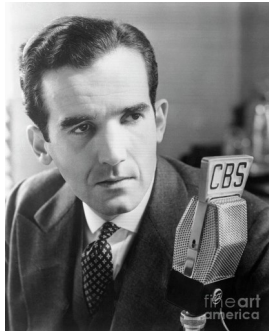
DB48407 The Czech Republic by Steven Otfinoski (history) 1997.

DB117737 A History Of The Czech Lands by Jaroslav Panek
Essential for scholars of Slavic, Central, and East European studies



Journalists, Correspondents, Columnists, and Television Personalities:

- DB43246 Nightline by Ted Koppel (broadcast journalist)
- DB21583 Close Encounters by Mike Wallace (journalist)
- DB66696 Audition: A Memoir by Barbara Walters (journalist)
- DB25006 Ernie's War by Ernie Pyle (WWII correspondent)
- DB57571 Brinkley's Beat: People, Places, And Events That Shaped My Time by David Brinkley (newscaster)
- DB13640 The Powers That Be by David Halberstam (journalist)
- DBG08139 Truth Be Told: Off The Record About Favorite Guests, Memorable Moments, Funniest Jokes, And A Half Century Of Asking Questions by Larry King
- DB43473 A Reporter's Life by Walter Cronkite (broadcast journalist)
- DB31652 This Is London by Edward R Murrow (broadcast journalist)
- DB23001 I Never Played The Game by Howard Cosell (sportscaster)
- DB55334 A Long Way From Home: Growing Up In The American Heartland by Tom Brokaw (broadcast journalist)
- DB26042 And The Band Played On: Politics, People, And The AIDS Epidemic by Randy Shilts (journalist)
- DB10834 The Camera Never Blinks: Adventures Of A TV Journalist by Dan Rather
- DB14540 Confessions Of A Muckraker by Jack Anderson (Pulitzer Prize columnist)
- DB62793 Dispatches From The Edge: A Memoir Of War, Disasters, And Survival by Anderson Cooper (broadcast journalist)
- DB10275 Winchell Exclusive: "Things That Happened To Me--And Me To Them" by Walter Winchell (gossip columnist)
- DB22297 Berlin Diary: The Journal Of A Foreign Correspondent, 1934-1941 by William Shirer (war correspondent)
- DB106783 Chasing History: A Kid In The Newsroom by Carl Bernstein (investigative journalist)
- DB33222 The Taste Of War by Margaret Bourke-White (photojournalist)
- DB43945 Personal History by Katharine Graham (newspaper publisher)
- DB45983 Speaking Freely: A Memoir by Nat Hentoff (music critic, columnist)
- DB91349 Reporter: A Memoir by Seymour Hersh (investigative journalist)
- DB22968 On The Road With Charles Kuralt by Charles Kuralt (travel journalist)
- DB55749 Kingdom Of Fear: Loathsome Secrets Of A Star-Crossed Child In The Final Days Of The American Century by Hunter S. Thompson (gonzo journalist)
- DB37414 Intellectual Memoirs: New York, 1936-1938 by Mary McCarthy (critic)
- DB18586 The Autobiography Of Lincoln Steffens, v. 1 (20th century muckraker)
- DBG19278 The Kingdom And The Power by Gay Talese (1960s journalist)



Very Short Introduction: Dewey Decimal 800: Literature

- DB86481 Critical Theory by Stephen Bronner; emerging in the 1920s from German-Jewish academics who sought to diagnose and cure the ills of society, mainly fascism and capitalism.
- DB86434 Literary Theory by Jonathan Culler; definition of literature, narratives
- DB86634 Rhetoric by Richard Toye; using language effectively to persuade others
- DB85624 Crime Fiction by Richard Bradford; study of espionage, thriller, legal drama
- DB87140 Science Fiction by David Seed; space voyages, aliens, utopias vs dystopias
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- DB86511 Postcolonialism by Robert Young; cultural after-effects of decolonization
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- DB85836 Beats by David Sterritt; analysis and influence of the Beat Generation
- DB85706 English Literature by Jonathan Bate; poetry, theater, comedy from England
- DB86407 Medieval Literature by Elaine Treharne; cultural and historical literature
- DB86801 Shakespeare's Comedies by Bart Van Es; Shakespeare's wit, puns, history
- DB87190 William Shakespeare by Stanley Wells; his background as writer and actor
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- DB86395 Italian Literature by Peter Hainsworth; examination of Italy's literary heritage
- DB86078 Dante by Peter Hainsworth; analysis of poet's major work, Divine Comedy
- DB87156 Spanish Literature by Jo Labanyi; overview of Spanish titles like Don Quixote
- DB85627 Colonial Latin American Literature by Rolena Adorno; Central/South America
- DB86443 Modern Latin American Literature by Roberto González Echevarría
- DB85695 Classical Literature by William Allan; Greek and Latin literature
- DB86460 Classics by Mary Beard; relevance of the ancient world's legacy of literature
- DB87163 Russian Literature by Catriona Kelly; exploration of Russian literature
- DB86094 Chinese Literature by Sabina Knight; historical works, philosophy, and drama

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Nonfiction titles:

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The Late Mrs. Dorothy Parker by Leslie Frewin (biography)
- DB110820

If You Want Something Done: Leadership Lessons From Bold Women by Nikki Haley (biography, politics)
- DB18876

Young And Female: Turning Points In The Lives Of Eight American Women by Pat Ross (biography)
- DB90840

A Lab Of One’s Own: Science And Suffrage In The First World War by Patricia Fara (history, science)
- DB18845

Ladies On The Loose: Women Travelers Of The 18th And 19th Centuries by Leo Hamalian (travel, history)
- DB102155

A House In The Mountains: The Women Who Liberated Italy From Fascism by Caroline Moorehead (world history)
- DBC02892

Women Of Mayo Clinic: The Founding Generation by Virginia Wright-Peterson (history, health)
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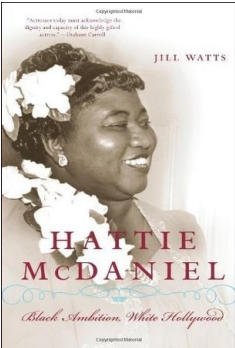
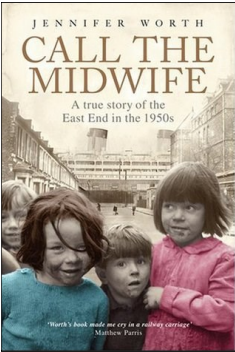
Remembering Lucile: A Virginia Family’s Rise From Slavery And A Legacy Forged A Mile High by Polly Bugros McLean
- DB64389

Not For Ourselves Alone: The Story Of Elizabeth Cady Stanton And Susan B. Anthony by Geoffrey Ward and Ken Burns (biography, history)
- DB76915

Call The Midwife: A Memoir Of Birth, Joy, And Hard Times by Jennifer Worth
- DB63538

Hattie McDaniel: Black Ambition, White Hollywood by Jill Watts (biography)
- DB30900

Maud Powell, Pioneer American Violinist by Karen Shaffer (biography)



Fiction titles:

- DB54603

Chocolate Chip Cookie Murder; Hannah Swensen 01 by Joanne Fluke (mys)
- DB54435

Confessions Of A Shopaholic; Shopaholic 01 by Sophia Kinsella (humor fict.)
- DB115940

The First Ladies by Marie Benedict (historical, biographical fiction)
- DB40224

One For The Money; Stephanie Plum 01 by Janet Evanovich (mystery)
- DB109619

Switchboard Soldiers by Jennifer Chiaverini (historical WWI fiction)
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The Edible Woman by Margaret Atwood (psychological fiction)
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The Surgeon; Rizzoli & Isles 01 by Tess Gerritsen (mystery)
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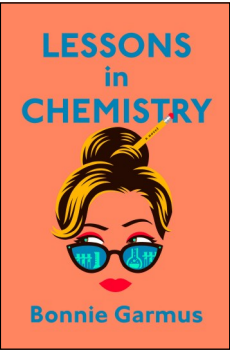
Jamaica Inn by Daphne Du Maurier (romantic suspense)
- DB87775

The Stars Are Fire by Anita Shreve (historical fiction)
- DB67310

Lavinia by Ursula K. Le Guin (ancient historical fiction)
- DB21558

The Bell Jar by Syliva Plath (psychological fiction)
- DB107538

Lessons In Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus (historical fiction)



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Best Selling Authors:

- DB51162

The Mysterious Affair At Styles: Poirot’s First Case by Agatha Christie (myst)
- DB75370

The Inn At Rose Harbor by Debbie Macomber (religious fiction, romance)
- DB92229

Harry Potter And The Sorcerer’s Stone by J.K. Rowling (juvenile fantasy)
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The Problems Of Love by Barbara Cartland (hist. romance)
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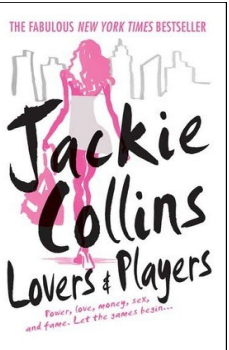
Under Currents by Nora Roberts (romantic suspense)
- DB32013

Masquerade by Janet Dailey (romance)
- DB38594

The Gift by Danielle Steel (family)
- DB45005

Violin by Ann Rice (supernatural)
- DB74504

Fifty Shades Of Grey: Trilogy by EL James (romance, explicit)



Authors With Ties To Virginia:

- DB76457

The Chance by Karen Kingsbury (religious fiction, romance)
- DB27589

The Bean Trees by Barbara Kingsolver (contemporary fiction)
- DB12697

Six Of One by Rita Mae Brown (family relations)
- DB98177

Love Lettering by Kate Clayborn (contemporary romance)
- DB36005

Through The Ivory Gate by Rita Dove (general fiction)
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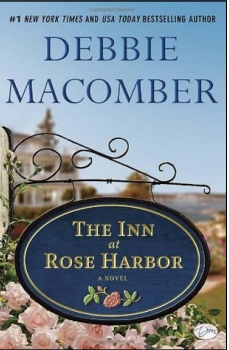
Call Down The Hawk; Dreamer 01 by Maggie Stiefvater (supernatural)
- DB14696

He, An Irreverent Look At The American Male by Florence King (explicit)
- DB14996

Mother’s Day: Or, The View From In Here by Barbara Holland (memoir)
- DB48202

Postmortem; Dr. Kay Scarpetta 01 by Patricia Cornwell (mystery)
- DB23433

Love Always by Ann Beattie (human relations)



Authors With Male Pen Names, Or Male Names:

- DB59366

Star Soldiers by Andre Norton (sci-fi)
- DBC01299

Clock Without Hands by Carson McCullers (general fiction)
- DB23415

Silas Marner by George Eliot/ Mary Ann Evans (classic)
- DB19665

Last Tales by Isak Dinesen/ Karen Blixen (gothic fiction)
- DB76784

The Cuckoo’s Calling by Robert Galbraith/J.K. Rowling (myst.)
- DB15946

The Haunted Pool by George Sand/ Amantine Lucile Aurore Dupin (rom.)
- DB103876

Should We Stay Or Should We Go by Lionel Shriver (general fiction)
- DB16155

Up The Walls Of The World by James Tiptree Jr./ Alice Sheldon (sci-fi)
- DBC01307

The Violent Bear It Away by Flannery O’Connor (general fiction, literature)
- DB94770

The City In The Middle Of The Night by Charlie Jane Anders (sci-fi)

