

CFUW Aurora/Newmarket Book Clubs 2017/18 Reading Lists

Collated by Diane Hughes

Book Club 1 –Wednesday Evening – Tina Williams

September	Commonwealth	Ann Patchett
October	Natural Order	Brian Francis
November	Don't Say We Have Nothing	Madeleine Thien
January	Indian Horse	Richard Wagamese
February	The Rent Collector	Cameron Wright
March	Dinner at the Homesick Restaurant	Anne Tyler
April	Secrets of a Charmed Life	Susan Meisner
May	Stone Angel	Margaret Laurence
June	The Women in the Castle	Jessica Shattuck

Book Club 2 –Third Tuesday Afternoon – Diane Hughes

September	The High Mountains of Portugal	Yann Martel
October	The Little Paris Bookshop	Nina George
November	A number of things: stories of Canada told through fifty objects	Jane Urquhart
January	The Little Old Lady who Broke all the Rules	Catharina Ingelman-Sundberg
February	Poles Apart	Terry Fallis
March	The Wonder	Emma Donahue
April	Medicine Walk	Richard Wagamese
May	Elephant Company: The Inspiring Story of an Unlikely Hero and the Animals Who Helped Him Save Lives in World War II	Vicki Constantine Croke

Book Club 3 –Wednesday Afternoon – Becky Haggith

September	Gentleman in Moscow	Amor Towles
October	The Illegal	Lawrence Hill
November	Red Notice	Bill Browder
December	Natural Order	Brian Francis
January	Under the Visible Life	Kim Echlin
February	Man Called Ove	Fredrick Backman
March	Longbourne	Jo Baker
April	Lion	SarPoo Brierley
May	Do Not Say We Have Nothing	Madeleine Thien

Book Club 4 –Wednesday Afternoon – Erica Green

September	Natural Order	Brian Francis
October	The Time of Your Life	Margaret Trudeau
November	Dark Money	Jane Mayer
January	In the Dark Room	Susan Faludi
February	The Inconvenient Indian	Thomas King
March	Small Great Things	Jodi Picoult
April	The Master	Colm Toibin
May	The Stone Carvers	Jane Urquhart

Book Club 5 –3rd Wednesday Afternoon – Nancy Jarvie

September	The Truth According To Us	Annie Barrows
October	Hidden Figures	Margot Lee Shetterly
November	Fifteen Dogs	Andre Alexis
January	The Age of Miracles	Karen Thompson Walker
February	Caught	Lisa Moore
March	The Last Neanderthal	Claire Cameron
April	Lady Franklin's Revenge	Kenneth McGoogan
May	Dear Life	Alice Munro

Book Club 6 – 2nd Wednesday Afternoon – Lynn Gowan

September	Red Notice	Bill Browder
October	The Little Paris Bookstore	Nina George
November	Their Eyes Were Watching God	Zora Neale Hurston
January	Born a Crime	Trevor Noah
February	Their Finest Hour and a Half	Lissa Evans
March	The Alice Network by Kate Quinn	Kate Quinn
April	Dark Money	Jane Meyer
May	The Stranger in the Woods	Michael Finkel
June	Bobo's in Paradise	David Brooks

OTHER LISTS – 2017-2018

Canada Reads March 2018: CBC's annual battle of the books, where 5 Canadian personalities select the book they think Canadians should read.

Canada Reads 2018	Canada Reads 2018 Finalists
The theme for 2018: One Book to Open Your Eyes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u><i>The Boat People</i></u> by <u>Sharon Bala</u> • <u><i>American War</i></u> by <u>Omar El Akkad</u> • <u><i>Precious Cargo</i></u> by <u>Craig Davidson</u> • *<u><i>Forgiveness</i></u> by <u>Mark Sakamoto</u> • <u><i>The Marrow Thieves</i></u> by <u>Cherie Dimaline</u> <p>*WINNER</p>

Governor General's Literary Awards – October 2017

The **Governor General's Awards** are a collection of [awards presented by the Governor General of Canada](#), marking distinction in a number of academic, artistic and social fields. (There are more categories of Literary Awards than listed here.)

English-language Finalists – Fiction	English-language Finalists - Non-fiction
<p><i>All the Beloved Ghosts</i>, by Alison MacLeod</p> <p><i>Lost in September</i>, by Kathleen Winter</p> <p><i>The Water Beetles</i>, by Michael Kaan</p> <p><i>Uncertain Weights and Measures</i> by Jocelyn Parr</p> <p>*We'll All Be Burnt in Our Beds Some Night by Joel Thomas Hynes</p> <p>*WINNER</p>	<p><i>All We Leave Behind: A Reporter's Journey into the Lives of Others</i>, by Carol Off</p> <p><i>The Handover: How Bigwigs and Bureaucrats Transferred Canada's Best Publisher and the Best Part of our Literary Heritage to a Foreign Multinational</i>, by Elaine Dewar</p> <p>*The Way of the Strangers: Encounters with the Islamic State, by Graeme Wood</p> <p><i>Where I Live Now: A Journey through Love and Loss to Healing and Hope</i>, by Sharon Butala</p> <p>Where It Hurts, by Sarah de Leeuw</p> <p>*WINNER</p>

Interesting Trivia: During her tenure from 1999 to 2005, [Adrienne Clarkson](#) made an effort to obtain for the governor general's study copies of every Governor General's Literary Awards winning book from fairs and second hand shops. As of 2004 there remained only two titles unrepresented

Man Booker Prize October, 2017

The Man Booker Prize for Fiction is a literary prize awarded each year for the best original full-length novel, written in the English language. In 2014, it became an International Prize.

Longlist 2017	Shortlist 2017
<p><u>4 3 2 1</u> by Paul Auster <u>Days Without End</u> by Sebastian Barry <u>History of Wolves</u> by Emily Fridlund <u>Exit West</u> by Mohsin Hamid <u>Solar Bones</u> by Mike McCormack <u>Reservoir 13</u> by Jon McGregor <u>Elmet</u> by Fiona Mozley <u>The Ministry Of Utmost</u> <u>Happiness</u> by Arundhati Roy <u>Lincoln in the Bardo</u> by George Saunders <u>Home Fire</u> by Kamila Shamsie <u>Autumn</u> by Ali Smith <u>Swing Time</u> by Zadie Smith <u>The Underground Railroad</u> by Colson Whitehead</p>	<p><u>4 3 2 1</u> by Paul Auster <u>History of Wolves</u> by Emily Fridlund <u>Exit West</u> by Mohsin Hamid <u>Elmet</u> by Fiona Mozley *<u>Lincoln in the Bardo</u> by George Saunders <u>Autumn</u> by Ali Smith *WINNER</p>

Giller Prize November 2017: recognizing excellence in Canadian fiction. Winners are announced in **November**.

Giller Long List 2017	Giller Short List 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Chariandy - <i>Brother</i> • Rachel Cusk - <i>Transit</i> • David Demchuk - <i>The Bone Mother</i> • Joel Thomas Hynes - <i>We'll All Be Burned in Our Beds Some Night</i> • Andrée A. Michaud - <i>Boundary</i> • Josip Novakovich - <i>Tumbleweed</i> • Ed O'Loughlin - <i>Minds of Winter</i> • Michael Redhill - <i>Bellevue Square</i> • Zoey Leigh Peterson - <i>Next Year, For Sure</i> • Ed O'Loughlin - <i>Minds of Winter</i> • Eden Robinson - <i>Son of a Trickster</i> • Deborah Willis - <i>The Dark and Other Love Stories</i> • Michelle Winters - <i>I am a Truck</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rachel Cusk - <i>Transit</i> • Ed O'Loughlin - <i>Minds of Winter</i> *Michael Redhill - <i>Bellevue Square</i> • Eden Robinson - <i>Son of a Trickster</i> • Michelle Winters - <i>I am a Truck</i> * WINNER

The Leacock Medal 2017 *The Leacock Medal is awarded annually for the best in Canadian humour writing. The Stephen Leacock Association, based in Orillia, ON, announces Finalists. Winner is announced in the spring.*

<i>Leacock Medal Long List 2017</i>	<i>Leacock Medal Short List 2017</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Armstrong for <i>A Series of Dogs</i>, • Mona Awad for <i>13 Ways of Looking at a Fat Girl</i> • Gary Barwin for <i>Yiddish for Pirates</i> • Judy Batalion for <i>White Walls</i> • Lesley Crewe for <i>Mary, Mary</i> • C. P. Hoff for <i>A Town Called Forget</i> • Marni Jackson for <i>Don't I Know You</i> • Amy Jones for <i>We're All in This Together</i> • Jack Knox for <i>Hard Knox: Musings from the Edge of Canada</i> • Noah Richler for <i>The Candidate: Fear and Loathing on the Campaign Trail</i> • Drew Hayden Taylor for <i>Take Us to Your Chief And Other Stories</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • *Gary Barwin for <i>Yiddish for Pirates</i>, • Amy Jones for <i>We're All in This Together</i>, • Drew Hayden Taylor for <i>Take Us to Your Chief And Other Stories</i>, <p>*WINNER</p>

Some Literary & Cultural Events 2017-2018

Death of [Michael Bond](#), English author ([Paddington Bear](#))

Death of [William Peter Blatty](#), American author ([The Exorcist](#))

Death of [Robert James Waller](#), American novelist ([The Bridges of Madison County](#))

20th anniversary of the publication of [Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone](#)

Bicentenary of [Jane Austen](#)'s death in 1817. Author of [Pride and Prejudice](#)

***RBC Charles Taylor Prize for Literary Non-Fiction in Canada – 2018
Winner announced March 2018***

<i>R. B.C.Charles Taylor Long List 2018</i>	<i>R. B.C. Charles Taylor Short List 2018</i>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u><i>Island of the Blue Foxes: Disaster and Triumph on Bering's Great Voyage to Alaska</i></u> by Stephen R. Bown 2. <u><i>How to Fall in Love with Anyone</i></u> by Mandy Len Catron 3. <u><i>Yardwork: A Biography of an Urban Place</i></u> by Daniel Coleman 4. <u><i>The Marriott Cell: An Epic Journey from Cairo's Scorpion Prison to Freedom</i></u> by Mohamed Fahmy and Carol Shaben 5. <u><i>Solitude: A Singular Life in a Crowded World</i></u> by Michael Harris 6. <u><i>Life on the Ground Floor: Letters From the Edge of Emergency Medicine</i></u> by James Maskalyk 7. <u><i>A History of Canada in Ten Maps: Epic Stories of Charting a Mysterious Land</i></u> by Adam Shoalts 8. <u><i>Seven Fallen Feathers: Racism, Death, and Hard Truths in a Northern City</i></u> by Tanya Talaga 9. <u><i>In the Name of Humanity</i></u> by Max Wallace 10. <u><i>Apron Strings: Navigating Food and Family in France, Italy, and China</i></u> by Jan Wong 	<p><u><i>Island of the Blue Foxes: Disaster and Triumph on Bering's Great Voyage to Alaska</i></u> by Stephen R. Bown</p> <p><u><i>Yardwork: A Biography of an Urban Place</i></u> by Daniel Coleman</p> <p><u><i>Life on the Ground Floor: Letters From the Edge of Emergency Medicine</i></u> by James Maskalyk</p> <p><u><i>*Seven Fallen Feathers: Racism, Death, and Hard Truths in a Northern City</i></u> by Tanya Talaga</p> <p><u><i>In the Name of Humanity</i></u> by Max Wallace</p> <p>*WINNER</p>

Pulitzer Prize for Fiction - April 2018

Less by Andrew Sean Greer