Monthly Adult Recommendations from the Staff at Deerfield Public Library

Revelator
Daryl Gregory

Featuring one of the best first sentences I’ve ever come across, Revelator grips you immediately and draws you into the immersive supernatural world of the Great Smokey Mountains in the 1930s and 40s. ~Anne J. (CW: death, gun violence, alcohol, monsters)

Never Saw Me Coming
Vera Kurian

You know when you’re reading a book that’s so engrossing that you get annoyed when you have to put it down to go to work? This is that book. ~Melissa S. (CW: murder)

Going There
Katie Couric

Katie Couric definitely goes there in her memoir! I was outraged at what she (and other women) have faced in the media world; I was impressed at what she has overcome in her personal and professional life. Full of both obstacles and triumphs, I couldn’t put this book down! ~Kary H. (CW: sexual harassment/assault/rape in the workplace)
Colin in Black and White

*In this Netflix series we learn about Colin Kaepernick’s High School years as the adopted biracial son of middle class white family. We learn about some of the struggles he faced and how he grew as a person, an athlete, and an activist. This is a show the whole family can watch. ~Ted G.*

Winter Recipes from the Collective

*This slim tome, tinged with grief and loss, is written from the perspective of someone who has the luxury and heartbreak to be able to look back on their life. This is Glück’s first book since winning the Nobel Prize in 2020. ~Stephanie K.*

Seek You

*Radtke has created a powerful meditation on loneliness. The illustrations add incredible value. It felt like a setting sun, another night alone. Instead of ignoring the pain though, this book challenges us to observe it, and perhaps reach out so that we might hear a voice call back. ~Chase S. (CW: animal abuse)*
Wu-Tang: An American Saga

The second season of this Wu-Tang series is even better than the first. You’ll see inside RZA’s creative process. You’ll also see some recreations of some of their early epic performances. Turn up the bass and the volume and enjoy! Available on our Rokus. ~Ted G. (CW: language, gun violence, drug use)

Taste: My Life Through Food

Stanley Tucci may be known as an actor but he’s also an avid foodie. This memoir highlights how food has shaped his life, including the impact a bout with cancer had on him. His enthusiasm for all aspects of food is not lost on the reader. There are recipes included! ~Amy F. (CW: language)

The Legend of the Christmas Witch

A little spooky, a little cheery, but perfectly enchanting. Aubrey Plaza tells the tale of the Christmas Witch, Santa’s twin sister who with a team of penguins tries to find her lost brother. This audiobook is perfect for a cozy night in for all ages! ~Chase S.
**PIG**

This is a thoughtful film about a recluse trying to find his stolen truffle pig. The main character journeys from his home in the woods to the city of Portland, confronting the remnants of a life he abandoned. The settings are beautiful, and the acting is top-notch. ~Tom W. (CW: violence, suicide, animal abuse/death)

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**Boys Enter the House**

David Nelson

A beautifully written heartbreaking story of the victims of John Wayne Gacy centered on their experiences of Chicago in the 1970s before they met and were murdered by Gacy. Nelson does a superb job focusing on the boys and young men who were the victims, not the murderer himself. ~Anne J. (CW: murder, sexual assault, violence, discussions of sex, depiction of execution.)

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**If They Come For Us**

Fatimah Asghar

The language! Lush, beautiful and devastating. An exploration of the meaning of Diaspora -- in terms of country, family, self -- this book uses language in such a way that a single poem can both bruise and lift you up. The form! A book where content and form are mirrored. ~Stevie N. (CW: rape, violence/gore)