

New Books for Fall  
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Even though we recognize the turn of a new year in January, there's something about September that feels fresh and new. Maybe it's the change in the air from the heavy heat to a crisp breeze. Or maybe it's the new routine that brings us back to school, home from camp, and into a more regular schedule. Fall is also a new season at the library. While many of us are still catching up on our summer reading, new boxes of books arrive and we add even more titles to our list.

Here are some new titles that recently arrived at the Kirkland Town Library:

Fiction

*The Exiles* by Christina Baker Kline. From the bestselling author of *Orphan Train*, this story, based on true events, takes readers to Australia in the 1840s. Three women's lives are transformed by both hardships and opportunities.

*All The Devils Are Here* by Louise Penny. There are many Louise Penny fans at the Kirkland Town Library and her latest book is no exception. Chief Inspector Armand Gamache is in Paris for dinner with his godfather, billionaire Stephen Horowitz. After Stephen is critically injured, Gamache travels the City of Lights, following secrets and even questioning the people he loves most.

*The Big Door Prize* by M.O. Walsh. DNA tests are popular these days but Walsh's novel takes things to another level. The DNAMIX machine promises to read a person's DNA and tell their destiny. If, for just two dollars and a swab of the cheek, you could find out your fate, would you do it? And, if you did know your future, would you change how you live now? This heartfelt novel will have you asking yourself these questions and more.

*Squeeze Me* by Carl Hiassen. Hiassen's latest is an escapist tale that combines an influx of hungry pythons, a high society matron, and the First Lady of the United States. With humor and imagination, this book brightens cool fall days.

*Party of Two* by Jasmine Guillory. The author of *The Wedding Date* and *The Proposal* returns with another fun romance between two unlikely people. Lawyer Olivia Monroe doesn't know that the gorgeous man she's been flirting with is actually Senator Max Powell. When their secret relationship finally goes public, their bond is put to the test.

Non-Fiction

*His Truth Is Marching On: John Lewis and the Power of Hope* by Jon Meacham. Former Congressman John Lewis spent a lifetime fighting for civil rights. Using interviews and a painstaking history of the civil rights movement, Meacham recounts Lewis' commitment to non-violent protest from Selma to the House of Representatives.

*When The Light of the World Was Subdued, Our Songs Came Through* edited by Joy Harjo. This poetry anthology celebrates indigenous people from across North America with a variety of writing from five different geographical areas from traditional oral literature to modern poets. As Harjo writes in the introduction, the book is "a way to pass on the poetry that emerged from rich traditions of the very diverse cultures of indigenous peoples."

*Stephen Hawking: A Memoir of Friendship and Physics* by Leonard Mlodinow. As Hawking's collaborator and friend, Mlodinow had a unique perspective on this complex man.

This story of their friendship is also about physics, life, and one man's ability to overcome a particular set of obstacles.

*Father of Lions* by Louise Callaghan. After two and a half years of fighting, the Mosul zoo was one of the few things left standing in Iraq's second-largest city. This book tells the story of the people who fought to rescue the animals, risking their own lives in the process.

*This Book is Anti-Racist: 20 Lessons on How to Wake Up, Take Action, and Do the Work* by Tiffany Jewell. This small, colorful volume is intended for young adults but is a great read for all ages. Each chapter provides definitions and examples that inspire and empower readers to stand up and fight racism.