

Thompson Public Library
Afternoon Book Discussion MASTER BOOK LIST
September 2000 – June 2018

2000

September The perfect storm by Sebastian Junger
November The soul's code by James Hillman

2001

January The reader by Bernhard Schlink
March Galileo's daughter by Dava Sobel
May Their eyes were watching God by Zora Neale Hurston
September Georgiana: Duchess of Devonshire by Amanda Foreman
November Anil's ghost by Michael Ondaatje

2002

January Without reservation by Jeff Benedict
March Fig eater by Jody Shields
May Protect and defend by Richard North Patterson
September French lessons, adventures with knife, fork & corkscrew by Peter Mayle
October John Adams by David G. McCullough
November Possession by A. S. Byatt

2003

January Road from Coorain by Jill Ker Conway
February Empire falls by Richard Russo
March In the fall by Jeffrey Lent
April Plain truth by Jodi Picoult
May Sea glass by Anita Shreve
September Leap of faith by Queen Noor
October My Antonia by Willa Cather
November An equal music by Vikram Seth

2004

January No certain rest by Jim Lehrer
February Curriculum vitae by Muriel Spark
March Benjamin Franklin: an American life by Walter Isaacson
April House of sand and fog by Andre Dubus III
May The apprentice: my life in the kitchen by Jacques Pepin
September Girls of slender means by Muriel Spark
October Emma by Jane Austen
November The Jane Austen book club by Karen Joy Fowler

2005

January Mornings on horseback by David McCullough
February The five people you meet in heaven by Mitch Albom
March Reading Lolita in Tehran: A Memoir in Books by Azar Nafasi
April Mary, Queen of Scots by Antonia Fraser
May Founding mothers: the women who raised our nation by Cokie Roberts
September The good earth by Pearl Buck
October Color of water: a black man's tribute to his white mother by James McBride
November The piano tuner by Daniel Mason

2006

January The island at the center of the world by Russell Shorton
February The other Boleyn girl by Philippa Gregory
March One writer's beginnings by Eudora Welty
April The kite runner by Khaled Hosseini
May The clearing by Tim Gautreaux
September American Prometheus by Kai Bird & Martin J. Sherwin
October Idyll banter: weekly excursions to a very small town by Chris Bohjalian
November Snowflower and the secret fan by Lisa See

2007

January 1776 by David McCullough
February Brideshead revisited by Evelyn Waugh
March Known world by Edward P. Jones
April Blink: the power of thinking without thinking by Malcolm Gladwell
May My life in France by Julia Child
September In an instant: a family's journey of love and healing by Lee & Bob Woodruff
October Saving fish from drowning by Amy Tan
November The book thief by Markus Zusak

2008

January Three cups of tea by Greg Mortenson & David Oliver Relin
February A farewell to arms by Ernest Hemingway
March Slave: my true story by Mende Nazer & Damien Lewis
April Measure of a man: A spiritual autobiography by Sidney Poitier
May The most famous man in America: The biography of Henry Ward Beecher by Debby Applegate
September Uncle Tom's cabin by Harriet Beecher Stowe
October Frankie's place: a memoir by Jim Sterba
November Afternoons with Emily by Rose MacMurray

2009

January One thousand white women: the journals of May Dodd by Jim Fergus
February A thousand splendid suns by Khaled Hosseini
March Out of the dust by Karen Hesse
April Ladies of liberty: the women who shaped our nation by Cokie Roberts

May Unaccustomed earth by Jhumpa Lahiri
September Infidel by Ayaan Hirsi Ali
October Night train to Lisbon by Pascal Mercier
November The Guernsey literary and potato peel pie society by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows

2010

January French women for all seasons: a year of secrets, recipes and pleasures by Mireille Guilia
February The third angel by Alice Hoffman
March Mr. Emerson's wife by Amy Belding Brown
April At home in Mitford by Jan Karon
May The lottery by Patricia Wood
September The big house: a century in the life of an American summer home by George Howe Colt
October Still Alice by Lisa Genova
November Olive Kitteridge by Elizabeth Strout

2011

January My house in Umbria by William Trevor
February Mennonite in a little black dress: a memoir of going home by Rhoda Jantzen
March The house at Sugar Beach: In search of a lost African childhood by Helene Cooper
April This time together: laughter and reflection by Carol Burnett
May The help by Kathryn Stockett
September As I lay dying by William Faulkner
October Half broke horses by Jeanette Walls
November Sarah's key by Tatiana de Rosnay

2012

January Cleopatra by Stacy Schiff
February Major Pettigrew's last stand by Helen Simonson
March The Paris wife by Paula McLain
April Cutting for stone by Abraham Verghese
May Left neglected by Lisa Genova
September Citizens of London by Lynne Olson
October A girl named Zippy, growing up small in Moreland, Indiana by Haven Kimmel
November Lady Almina and the real Downton Abbey by Countess of Carnarvon

2013

January The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald
February Killing Lincoln by Bill O'Reilly & Martin Dugard
March The diary of Mattie Spenser by Sandra Dallas
April Hotel on the corner of Bitter and Sweet by Jamie Ford
May The old man and the sea by Ernest Hemingway
September In a sunburned country by Bill Bryson

October Beneath a marble sky by John Shors
November In the garden of beasts: love, terror, and an American family in Hitler's Berlin
by Erik Larson

2014

January The aviator's wife by Melanie Benjamin
February The light between oceans by M. L. Stedman
March The razor's edge by W. Somerset Maugham
April The tender bar: a memoir by J.R. Moehringer
May Gone girl by Gillian Flynn
September Where the Heart Is by Billie Letts
October Unbroken, A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption
by Laura Hillenbrand
November The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair That
Changed America by Erik Larson

2015

January Old Filth by Jane Gardam
February Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline
March Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail by Cheryl Strayed
April One Summer: America, 1927 by Bill Bryson
May A Fighting Chance by Elizabeth Warren
September Far from the madding crowd by Thomas Hardy
October Lone wolf by Jodi Picoult
November Philomena: a mother, her son, and a fifty-year search by Martin Sixsmith

2016

January The 100-year-old man who climbed out the window and disappeared
by Jonas Jonasson
February The man in the wooden hat by Jane Gardam
March The invention of wings by Sue Monk Kidd
April Dead wake: the last crossing of the Lusitania by Erik Larson
May A spool of blue thread by Anne Tyler
September Day after night by Anita Diamant
October The road to Little Dribbling by Bill Bryson
November Me before you by Jojo Moyes

2017

January All the light we cannot see by Anthony Doerr
February Snobs by Julian Fellowes
March Last friends by Jane Gardam
April Fall of giants by Ken Follett
May Breathing lessons by Anne Tyler
September The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin
October Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng
November Empress Dowager Cixi: The Concubine Who Launched Modern China by Jung Chang

2018

January	Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot
February	1984 by George Orwell
March	Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead
April	Winter of the World by Ken Follett
May	The Wright Brothers by David McCullough
June	A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles

Alison Boutaugh/June 2017