



TAB book club

Sept 2019 – Aug 2020

It's our 28th year, and we are still
Talking About Books!
New participants always welcome!

Brookfield Public Library's TAB meets at 7:00 pm on the second Tuesday of every month in the Rotary Room—except when we watch a movie. Everyone is welcome! Books available at the Circulation Desk about one month before each meeting.

Tuesday, September 10, 2019 **7:00 pm** **Rotary Room**
***Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel** **Fiction**

One night a famous actor dies onstage during a production of King Lear. Hours later, the world as we know it begins to dissolve. Moving back and forth in time—from the actor's early days as a film star to fifteen years in the future, when a theater troupe known as the Traveling Symphony roams the wasteland of what remains—this suspenseful, elegiac, spellbinding novel charts the strange twists of fate that connect five people. — Adapted from publisher.

Tuesday, October 8, 2019 **7:00 pm** **Rotary Room**
***The Death and Life of the Great Lakes* by Dan Egan** **Non-Fiction**

Prize-winning reporter Dan Egan's compulsively readable portrait blends the epic story of the lakes with an examination of the perils they face and the ways we can restore and preserve them for generations to come. — Adapted from publisher.

Tuesday, November 12, 2019 **7:00 pm** **Rotary Room**
***Thunderstruck* by Erik Larson** **Non-Fiction**

The interwoven stories of two men--Hawley Crippen, "the kindest of men" and a very unlikely murderer, and Guglielmo Marconi, the obsessive creator of a seemingly supernatural means of communication--whose lives intersect in Edwardian London during one of the greatest criminal chases of all time. — Adapted from publisher.

Tuesday, December 10, 2019 **7:00 pm** **Rotary Room**
Silent Night: the Story of the World War I Christmas Truce
by Stanley Weintraub **Non-Fiction**

Stanley Weintraub uses the stories of the men who were there, as well as their letters and diaries, to illuminate the fragile truce and bring to life this extraordinary moment in time. — Adapted from Amazon.com.

Tuesday, January 14, 2020 **7:00 pm** **Rotary Room**
Desert Queen: the Extraordinary Life of Gertrude Bell, Adventurer, Adviser to Kings,
***Ally of Lawrence of Arabia* by Janet Wallach** **Non-Fiction**

In the Victorian age, Gertrude Bell turned her back on convention to seek adventure in Arab lands. In her lifetime, she was known as the most powerful woman in the British Empire. Eloquent author Janet Wallach shares this fascinating story. — Adapted from publisher.

DON'T MISS A VISIT BY THE QUEEN HERSELF! Saturday, February 15.



Tuesday, February 11, 2020 **7:00 pm** **Rotary Room**
***The First Fifteen Lives of Harry August* by Claire North** **Fiction**

Harry August is on his deathbed. Again. But as the end nears this time, a little girl appears at his bedside. "I nearly missed you, Doctor August," she says. "I need to send a message." This is the story of what Harry does next, and what he did before, and how he tries to save a past he cannot change and a future he cannot allow. — Adapted from publisher.

Tuesday, March 10, 2020 **7:00 pm** **Rotary Room**
***Scarcity* by Sendhil Mullainathan** **Non-Fiction**

Scarcity creates a similar psychology for everyone struggling to manage with less: busy people fail to efficiently manage time for the same reasons the poor and those maxed out on credit cards fail to manage money. This book reveals not only how scarcity leads us astray but also how to better manage scarcity for greater satisfaction & success. — Adapted from publisher.

Tuesday, April 14, 2020 **7:00 pm** **Rotary Room**
***Mr. Penumbra's 24-hour Bookstore* by Robin Sloan** **Fiction**

A tale of global conspiracy, complex code-breaking, high-tech data visualization, young love, rollicking adventure, and the secret to eternal life ... mostly set in a hole-in-the-wall San Francisco bookstore. — Adapted from publisher.

Tuesday, May 12, 2020 **7:00 pm** **Rotary Room**
***Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson** **Non-Fiction**

An unforgettable account of an idealistic, gifted young lawyer's coming of age, a moving window into the lives of those he has defended, and an inspiring argument for compassion in the pursuit of true justice. — Adapted from publisher.

Selection process: Give the librarian a booklist at the May meeting, or drop off your list at the Adult Reference Desk, and I will bring those books to the June selection meeting.

Tuesday, June 9, 2020 **7:00 pm** **Rotary Room**
SELECTION MEETING FOR SEPTEMBER 2020 — AUGUST 2021

Tuesday, July 14, 2020 **7:00 pm** **Rotary Room**
***The Age of Innocence* by Edith Wharton** **Fiction**

Is love the highest ideal? Or is kindness, and a sense of duty to each other, even greater than love? Set in New York in the Gilded Age, *The Age of Innocence* is both ravishingly romantic and heartbreakingly unsentimental— and an excellent novel. — Adapted from review

Tuesday, August 11, 2020 **6:15 pm** **COMMUNITY Room**
The Age of Innocence (1993) **Movie based on book**

Starring Daniel Day-Lewis, Michelle Pfeiffer, and Winona Ryder. Run time: 139 minutes
The movie will start at 6:15 PM sharp.