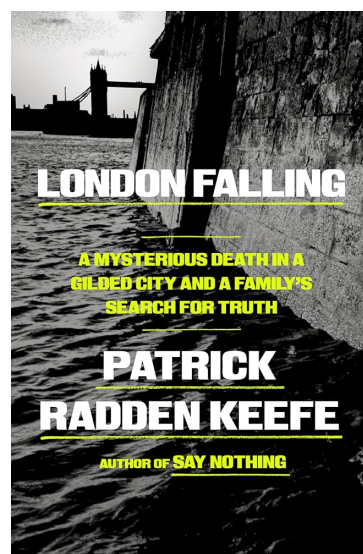
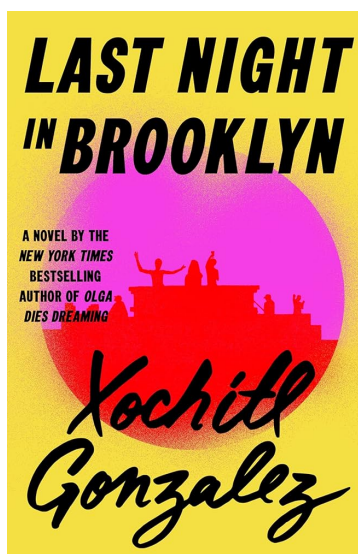
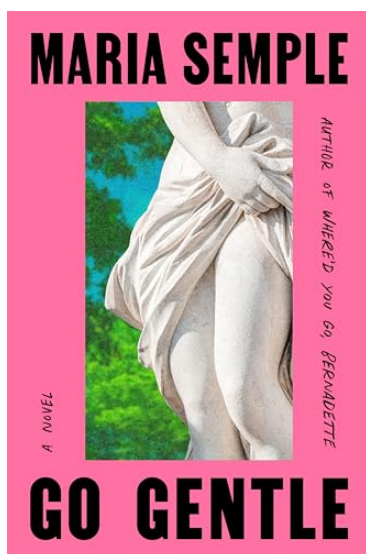


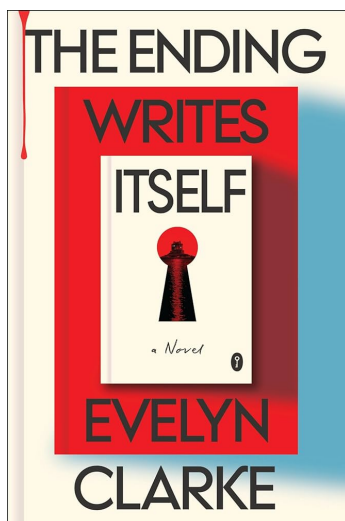
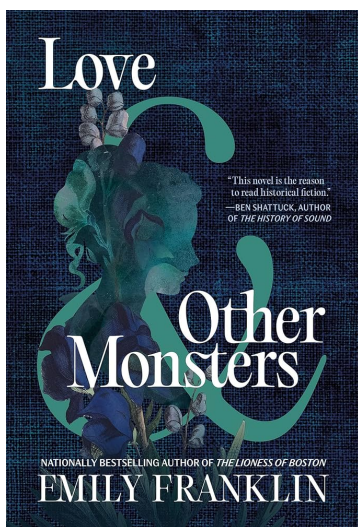
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The Westwood Public Library Readers' Services Newsletter

April Books for your TBR List

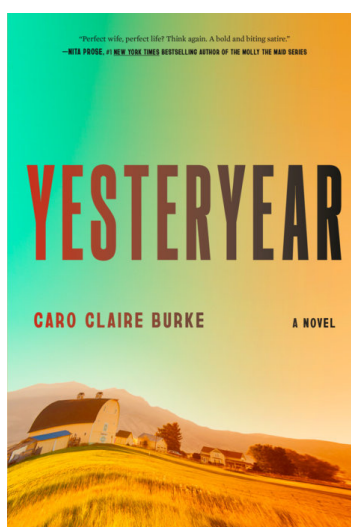
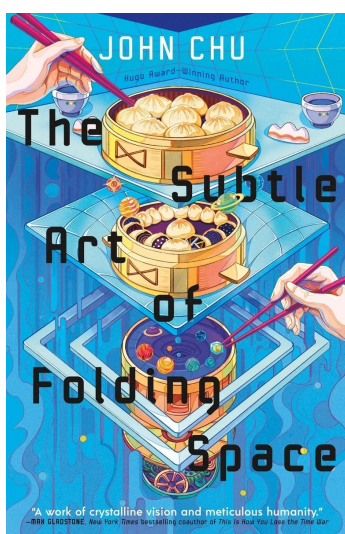
Here are the most anticipated and recommended books of the month. Get your name on the waitlists now!





Out of this World

New Speculative Fiction releases you don't want to miss!



The exhilarating debut science fiction novel from Nebula and Hugo Award-

A traditional American woman who sells her pioneer lifestyle of raw milk and farm-fresh

Husbands Don and Rodney have lived a good long life. Together they've experienced

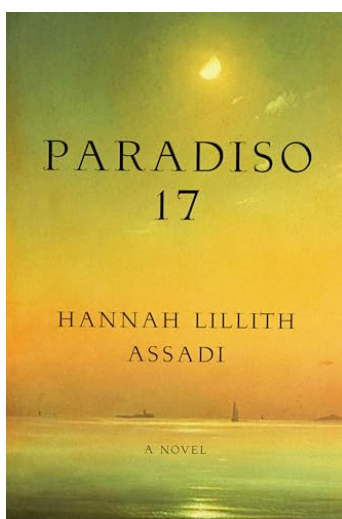
winning author John Chu which channels unhinged physics, generational trauma, and the comfort of really good dim sum. This isn't your usual jaunt through quantum physics.

eggs to her millions of social media followers, suddenly awakens cold, filthy, and terrified in the brutal reality of 1805—where she must unravel whether this living nightmare is an elaborate hoax, a twisted reality show, or something far more sinister.

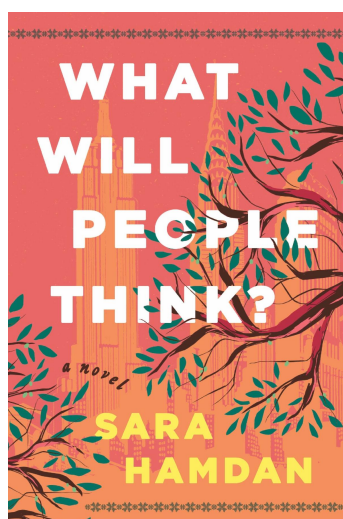
the highest highs of love and family, and lows so low that they felt like the end of the world. Now, the world is ending for real. A wandering black hole is coming for Earth and in a month everything and everyone they've ever known will be gone.

Celebrate Arab-American Heritage Month

Three great books featuring the Arab-American experience.



Born in Palestine on the precipice of 1948's Nakba, Sufien is forced to leave the only home he's ever known, the one on the hill with a beautiful blue door. This is the precise moment when time stops making sense. He spends the rest of his life based on the author's father's life as a Palestinian refugee.

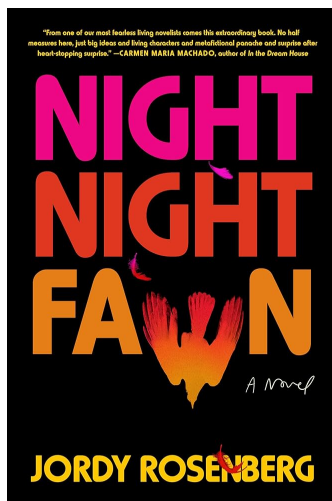


Mia Almas has a secret. By day, she works at a respectable job as a media fact checker—a position her conservative, Arab grandparents approve of—and, by night, she takes to the stages of New York City comedy clubs.



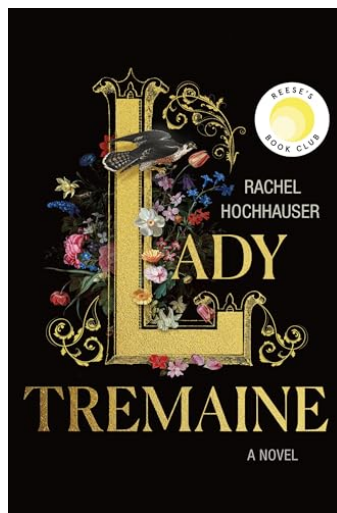
Emmy Award-winning international journalist Hala Gorani weaves stories from her time as a globe-trotting anchor and correspondent with her own lifelong search for identity as the daughter of Syrian immigrants.

Staff Recommendations



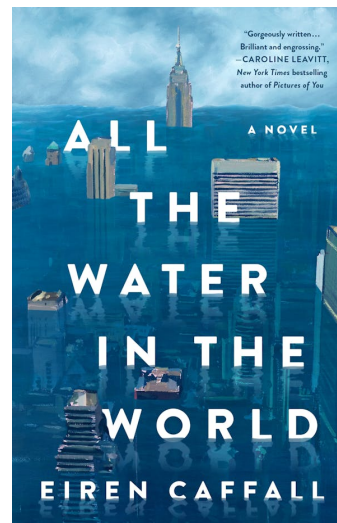
Readers' Services Librarian
Julia's Pick

At turns harrowing and hilarious, *Night Night Fawn* follows Barbara Rosenberg, a woman on her death bed recounting a lifetime of complaints, under the spectre of her trans son who appears to her as a birdlike creature. Some of the best writing about intergenerational queer and Jewish family dynamics I've ever read. Lovers of messy family sagas will inhale this propulsive novel!



Director of Readers' Services Kristy's Pick

Some books stay with you, and you want to give them a big hug as soon as you read the last line. For me, *Lady Tremaine* was that book. A gorgeously written reimagining of Cinderella, this engaging novel looks into the life and loves of the "wicked stepmother," building a compelling framework for the how and why of this well-known tale, complete with a new ending. My favorite book of the year!



Director of Youth Services Felicia O'Keefe's Pick

This is a literary thriller set partly on the roof of New York's Museum of Natural History in a flooded future. I loved the storytelling and pacing of this survival tale. What a beautiful intricate depiction of what it would be like in the world ~ after ~ the climate falls apart.



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Digital Age Survival Kit

Understanding Artificial Intelligence

A Conversation with Journalist Philip Eil
Understanding A.I. & Misinformation

Thursday, April 23
7 pm. Wentworth Hall.



The U.S. has long been plagued by misinformation. But with the widespread use of AI, the problem has been supercharged: Deepfakes. AI-manipulated photos. AI-generated videos. Our info ecosystem is now inundated with inaccurate or misleading AI-generated content — and there's no end in sight.

Join journalist Philip Eil for a session about AI, the role it plays in creating and spreading misinformation, and how you can stay vigilant against its ill effects.

Author Talk EMILY FRANKLIN



Join us for an evening with Author
Emily Franklin
(*The Lioness of Boston*) as she talks
about her new historical fiction
novel *Love & Other Monsters*, based
on the life of Claire Clairmont, Mary
Shelley's forgotten stepsister.

Thursday, April 30. 7pm.
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