

# Main Library Book Discussion Group Schedule 2019

## Everett Public Library



Main Library, 2702 Hoyt Avenue, Everett, WA 98201

All are welcome—no registration needed!

We meet the Third Monday of each month.

(Fourth Mondays in January and February. This group does not meet in December.)

11:45 a.m. – 1 p.m.—Main Library Training Room



- Jan 28, 2019** **THE SOUL OF AN OCTOPUS: A SURPRISING EXPLORATION INTO THE WONDERS OF CONSCIOUSNESS** | Sy Montgomery | non-fiction, 247pp. Naturalist Montgomery (*Birdology*, etc.) chronicles her extraordinary experience bonding with three octopuses housed in the New England Aquarium and the small group of people who became devoted to them. A fascinating glimpse into an alien consciousness. **Montgomery appears Sat, Feb. 9, for EPL's Everett Reads!** Her adult program is @ Everett Performing Arts Center in the evening. More details to come!
- Feb 25, 2019** **DAUGHTERS OF THE SAMURAI** | Janice Nimura | non-fiction, 277pp. In 1871, five girls were sent by the Japanese government to the United States. Their mission: learn Western ways and return to nurture a new generation of men to lead Japan.
- Mar 18, 2019** **THE TWELVE LIVES OF SAMUEL HAWLEY** | Hannah Tinti | fiction, 376pp. The daughter of a career criminal (a likable but corrupt anti-hero) explores her family's past along with the family business. An accomplished merger of coming-of-age tale and literary thriller about the price we pay to protect the people we love most.
- Apr 15, 2019** **LILLIAN BOXFISH TAKES A WALK** | Kathleen Rooney | fiction, 284pp. Rooney's lively, fictionalized version of Margaret Fishback--poet and writer of clever, innovative ad copy--offers plenty of charm and occasional poignancy. A smart, stylish, independent young woman, she comes to Manhattan in 1926 and lands a job at Macy's, where she turns out witty rhymes that promote the department store. Intercut with the narrative of Lillian's life is the more fanciful story of her adventures on New Year's Eve 1984 at age 85.
- May 20, 2019** **FEAR: TRUMP IN THE WHITE HOUSE** | Bob Woodward | non-fiction, 362pp. A dish-filled tiptoe through the current White House in the company of an all-knowing tour guide, legendary *Washington Post* investigative reporter and definitive insider Woodward (*All the President's Men*, etc.).
- June 17, 2019** **WINTERING** | Peter Geye | fiction, 300pp. A father and son bond through several months of self-exile in the remote borderlands of northern Minnesota.
- July 15, 2019** **Pen/Bellwether Prize for Fiction | THE LEAVERS** | Lisa Ko | fiction, 338pp. Ko's quietly sensational debut novel about migration, deportation and contested citizenship, is the story of a boy abandoned in the US, his undocumented Chinese mother, and the dark, devastating truth behind it.

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- Aug 19, 2019** **THE ESSEX SERPENT** | Sarah Perry | fiction, 418pp. The unlikely friendship between a scholarly vicar and a canny widow pursuing her interest in natural history sets the stage for this sweeping 19th-century saga of competing belief systems. Stuffed with smarts and storytelling sorcery, this is a work of astonishing breadth and brilliance.
- Sept 16, 2019** **GIRL IN DISGUISE** | Greer Macallister | fiction, 319pp. Going undercover to infiltrate the seedy side of mid-nineteenth-century Chicago, Kate Warne, the first female Pinkerton detective, assumes a range of sophisticated identities to track down evildoers and bring them to justice.
- Oct 21, 2019** **ELEANOR OLIPHANT IS COMPLETELY FINE** | Gail Honeyman | fiction, 325pp. Witty, charming, and heartwarming, this novel is a remarkable debut about a singular woman. Readers will cheer Eleanor as she confronts her dark past & turns to a brighter future. Feel good without feeling smarmy.
- Nov 18, 2019** **Vote on books to read & discuss in 2020!** Then, we discuss **AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS** | by Jules Verne | fiction, 202pp. Chronicles adventures of English gentleman Phileas Fogg and his manservant on an around-the-world journey in the late 19th century.
- Dec 2019** No meeting in December. See you in 2020!

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