Reader Recommendations

**Any Dream Will Do**  
By Debbie Macomber  
Shay Benson is looking for a place to stay and wanders into a church to escape the cold. Pastor Drew Douglas is thinking about his own fresh start, when he walks through the sanctuary and finds her sitting in a pew. They strike up a friendship that turns into something deeper. This was the best book, and I couldn’t put it down.  
Reviewed by Evelyn S., At Home patron  
*Also available: large print, CD*

**The Great Unexpected**  
By Dan Mooney  
Joel lives in a nursing home, and he is not one bit happy about it. His new roommate, a retired soap opera actor named Frank, moves in and turns the community upside down. Together they embark on a mission to find the perfect escape. This was a great read. It opened my eyes to another perspective, and I felt like I learned a few things.  
Reviewed by Jo L., At Home patron  
*Also available: large print*

**The Dutch House**  
By Ann Patchett  
Cyril Conroy combines luck and a single canny investment to propel his family from poverty to enormous wealth. His first order of business is to buy a lavish estate in the suburbs outside of Philadelphia as a surprise for his wife. This was easy-to-read and a great story about a home and a family. It follows three generations in all their loves, loses and memories.  
Reviewed by Irene T., At Home patron  
*Also available: large print, CD*
New Fiction Books
Alphabetical order by author

We Met in December
By Rosie Curtis
Jess is following her dream, moving to London, and taking a room in a crumbling but grand Notting Hill house. On her first night she meets Alex, the guy sharing her floor, at a Christmas dinner hosted by her landlord.
*Also available: large print*

The Other Bennet Sister
By Janice Hadlow
If Mary Bennet’s life took a different path from that laid out for her in “Pride and Prejudice,” and the intellectual in the family found the fulfillment enjoyed by her sisters, it might look something like this book.

After Sundown
By Linda Howard and Linda Jones
Sela Gordon, shy owner of a Tennessee general store, finds safety in solitude. If anyone can pierce her protective shell, it’s the handsome, mysterious ex-military man living alone in the wilds of Cove Mountain.
*Also available: large print, CD*

Transcendent Kingdom
By Yaa Gyasi
This is a stunning follow-up to the author’s acclaimed national bestseller “Homegoing.” It is a powerful, raw, intimate, deeply layered novel about a Ghanaian family in Alabama.
*Also available: large print*

The Henna Artist
By Alka Joshi
Seventeen-year-old Lakshmi makes her way to the vibrant 1950s city of Jaipur. There she becomes the most highly requested henna artist and confidante to the wealthy women of the upper class.
*Also available: large print, CD*

The Last Story of Mina Lee
By Nancy Jooyoun Kim
When she discovers her mother has died suspiciously, Margot begins digging through the past to unravel the tenuous invisible strings that held together her mother’s life as a war orphan and undocumented immigrant.

Devoted
By Dean Koontz
Woody Bookman hasn’t spoken a word in his 11 years of life, but an ally unknown to him is listening anyway – a uniquely gifted dog who hears the boy who communicates like he does, without speaking.
*Also available: large print, CD*

One By One
By Ruth Ware
Getting snowed in at a luxurious, rustic ski chalet high in the French Alps isn’t the worst problem in the world, until the hope for rescue dwindles and one-by-one, so do the guests.
*Also available: CD*

*New York Times Bestseller*

Title summaries taken from the Library catalog.
New Nonfiction Books
Alphabetical order by author

Had I Known: Collected Essays
By Barbara Ehrenreich
This is a collection of articles and excerpts from the author’s long-ranging career as a veteran journalist that highlight her social consciousness and wry sense of humor.
Also available: CD

Nobody Will Tell You This But Me: A True (As Told to Me) Story
By Bess Kalb
Bobby Bell doted on her granddaughter, who saved every voicemail her grandmother ever left her. This book shares their special bond that endures beyond death.

The Hilarious World of Depression
By John Moe
The author, host of The Hilarious World of Depression podcast, discovered there was comfort and community in talking about the experience of dealing with depression and that humor has the power to offer help and hope.

All the Way to the Tigers
By Mary Morris
An ice skating accident derailed the trip of a lifetime and left the author unable to walk. However, she was determined to recover and travel to India, in search of the world’s most elusive predator – the tiger.

Volume Control: Hearing in a Deafening World
By David Owen
With wit and clarity, the author demystifies the science of hearing, and encourages readers to get the treatment they need and protect the hearing they have. He also explores the incredible possibilities of assisted hearing.

The House of Kennedy
By James Patterson and Cynthia Fagen
The Kennedy’s have always been a family of charismatic adventurers, raised to take risks and excel. This is a revealing account of America’s most storied family, told by America’s most trusted storyteller.
Also available: large print, CD

Mobituaries: Great Lives Worth Reliving
By Mo Rocca with Jonathan Greenberg
Mo has always loved obituaries, but not every notable life has gotten the send-off it deserves. The humorist, and history buff, is righting that wrong, and profiling people who have long fascinated him.
Also available: large print, CD

Conversations With RBG: Ruth Bader Ginsburg on Life, Love, Liberty, and Law
By Jeffrey Rosen
Drawing on a series of conversations that began in the 1990s and continued throughout her life, the author shares the justice’s observations. Her intellect, compassion, humor, and humanity shine through.
Also available: large print, CD

Minneapolis: An Urban Biography
By Tom Weber
This is a biography of the City of Lakes, beginning with Bdote, the confluence of the Mississippi and the Minnesota Rivers – a sacred place for Dakota people, who have lived here for millennia.
More New Books
Alphabetical order by author

Fiction

Sunrise on Half Moon Bay
By Robyn Carr
Also available: large print

500 Miles From You
By Jenny Colgan
Also available: large print, CD

I’d Give Anything
By Marisa de los Santos
Also available: large print

A Week at the Shore
By Barbara Delinsky
Also available: large print, CD

The Topeka School
By Ben Lerner
Also available: large print

A Burning
By Megha Majumdar
Also available: large print

Sisters by Choice
By Susan Mallery
Also available: large print, CD

Oona Out of Order
By Margarita Montimore
Also available: large print

St. Francis Society for Wayward Pets
By Annie England Noblin
Also available: large print

The Little Bookshop on the Seine
By Rebecca Raisin
Also available: large print

The Revisioners
By Margaret Wilkerson Sexton
Also available: large print, CD

All the Things I Should Have Known
By Tiffany L Warren
Also available: large print, CD

Cozy Mystery

Poppy Redfern and the Midnight Murders
By Tessa Arlen
Also available: large print

The Chocolate Shark Shenanigans
By JoAnna Carl
Also available: large print

The Diva Spices It Up
By Krista Davis

Of Mutts and Men
By Spencer Quinn
Also available: CD

Historical

Conjure Women
By Afia Atakora
Also available: large print

Three Hours in Paris
By Cara Black
Also available: large print

Daughter of Moloka‘i
By Alan Brennert
Also available: large print, CD

The Girls With No Names
By Serena Burdick
Also available: large print

Westering Women
By Sandra Dallas
Also available: large print

The Mercies
By Karen Harper
Also available: large print, CD

The Queen’s Secret
By Ariel Lawhon
Also available: large print

Code Name Hélène
By Hilary Mantel
Also available: large print, CD

The Mirror & the Light
By Karen Harper
Also available: large print, CD
This is a selection from the new titles that Hennepin County Library has ordered.

The Forgotten Letters of Esther Durrant
By Kayte Nunn
Also available: large print

The Black Swan of Paris
By Karen Robards
Also available: large print, CD

Royal
By Danielle Steel
Also available: large print

Humorous

Anxious People
By Fredrik Backman
Also available: CD

No Offense
By Meg Cabot
Also available: large print, CD

Squeeze Me
By Carl Hiaasen
Also available: large print

Tuesday Mooney Talks to Ghosts
By Kate Racculia
Also available: large print

All Adults Here
By Emma Straub
Also available: large print

Mystery

In the Shadow of Vesuvius
By Tasha Alexander
Also available: large print, CD

A Private Cathedral
By James Lee Burke
Also available: large print, CD

The Darkest Evening
By Ann Cleaves
Also available: CD

Psychological

The Other Mrs.
By Mary Kubica
Also available: large print, CD

Strike Me Down
By Mindy Mejia
Also available: large print

The Friend
By Sigrid Nunez
Also available: large print

The Dilemma
By B.A. Paris
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One Fatal Flaw
By Anne Perry
Also available: large print, CD

Masked Prey
By John Sandford
Also available: large print, CD

Laetitia Rodd and the Case of the Wandering Scholar
By Kate Saunders
Also available: large print

Hid From Our Eyes
By Julia Spencer-Fleming
Also available: CD

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More New Books
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Religious

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By Wanda E. Brunstetter
Also available: large print

One Little Lie
By Colleen Coble
Also available: large print

Secrets of My Heart
By Tracie Peterson
Also available: large print

A Beautiful Arrangement
By Beth Wiseman
Also available: large print, CD

Science Fiction/Fantasy

Providence
By Max Barry

Knife Children: A Novella in the World of the Sharing Knife
By Lois McMaster Bujold

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The House in the Cerulean Sea
By TJ Klune

Short Stories

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How to Pronounce Knife
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Thick as Thieves
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By Fern Michaels
Also available: large print

Eight Perfect Murders
By Peter Swanson
Also available: large print, CD

Catherine House
By Elisabeth Thomas
Also available: large print

Near Dark
By Brad Thor
Also available: large print, CD

Nonfiction

Before and After: The Incredible Real-Life Stories of Orphans Who Survived the Tennessee Children’s Home Society
By Judy Christie and Lisa Wingate
Also available: large print

Tombstone: The Earp Brothers, Doc Holliday, and the Vendetta Ride From Hell
By Tom Clavin
Also available: large print

Travel Light, Move Fast
By Alexandra Fuller
Also available: large print

Dark Mirror: Edward Snowden and the American Surveillance State
By Barton Gellman

Surrender, White People! Our Unconditional Terms for Peace
By D.L. Hughley and Doug Moe

In Awe: Rediscover Your Childlike Wonder to Unleash Inspiration, Meaning, and Joy
By John O’Leary

Together: The Healing Power of Human Connection in a Sometimes Lonely World
By Vivek H. Murthy, M.D.

Open Book
By Jessica Simpson
Also available: CD

Western

The Iron Trail Killers
By Barry Cord
Available only in large print

The Ghost Riders
By James J. Griffin
Available only in large print

Bullets Don’t Argue
By William W. Johnstone
Also available: large print

Texas Outlaw
By James Patterson and Andrew Bourelle
Also available: large print, CD

How Much of These Hills Is Gold
By C Pam Zhang
Also available: large print

Good Husbandry:
A Memoir – Growing Food, Love, and Family on Essex Farm
By Kristin Kimball
Also available: large print

Me & Patsy Kickin’ Up Dust: My Friendship with Patsy Cline
By Loretta Lynn
Also available: large print

A Honeybee Heart has Five Openings: A Year of Keeping Bees
By Helen Jukes
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