The Christie Affair  
By Nina de Gramont  
The author weaves fact and fiction so cleverly in this re-imagination of one of the most talked-about unsolved mysteries of the 20th century. I found myself reading it as a true crime novel with unlikely dalliances, complex motivations, and jaw-dropping surprises. It will keep you riveted until the very last page. It is a magnificent read.  
Reviewed by Carol D., At Home patron  
Also available: large print

Sooley  
By John Grisham  
A 17-year-old receives a college scholarship to play basketball and moves from war-torn South Sudan to North Carolina. He is determined to succeed so he can bring his family to America. Unlike most of Grisham’s books, this is a human-interest story that could be real. I could relate to a young basketball player from reading it, and I couldn’t put it down.  
Reviewed by Beth S., At Home patron  
Also available: large print

The Violin Conspiracy  
By Brendan Slocumb  
Ray McMillian loves playing the violin more than anything, and nothing will stop him from pursuing his dream of becoming a professional musician. When he makes the startling discovery that his great-grandfather’s fiddle is a priceless Stradivarius, his star begins to rise. This book is a delight that is made richer by the multiple descriptions of the classical music which Ray plays.  
Reviewed by Ruth A., At Home patron  
Also available: large print
New Fiction Books
Alphabetical order by author

Chain-gang All-stars
By Nana Kwame Adjei-Brenyah
Two top women gladiators are fighting for their freedom within a depraved private prison system not so far-removed from America’s own.
*Also available: large print*

The Last Animal
By Ramona Ausubel
A single mother, Jane, and her two teen daughters engage in a wild scientific experiment in Siberia and discover a 4,000-year-old baby mammoth that sets off a chain of events that pits Jane against her male colleagues.
*Also available: large print*

The Cuban Heiress
By Chanel Cleeton
In 1934, a luxury cruise becomes a fight for survival as two women’s pasts collide on a round-trip voyage from New York to Havana.
*Also available: large print*

**NYT** The Exchange: After the Firm
By John Grisham
Find out what became of Mitch and Abby McDeere after they exposed the crimes of Memphis law firm Bendini, Lambert & Locke and fled the country, in this follow-up to one of the author’s bestselling books.
*Also available: large print, CD*

Little Ray of Sunshine
By Kristan Higgins
A woman secretly placed her baby son up for adoption years ago. One day, he walks into her bookstore as an adult surprising and upending not only her life but his adoptive mother’s as well.
*Also available: large print, CD*

Absolution
By Alice McDermott
In Saigon in 1963, two women form a wary alliance as they balance the era’s mandate to take a backseat to their ambitious husbands with their own impulse to do good for the people of Vietnam.
*Also available: large print*

The Wishing Game
By Meg Shaffer
Lucy is one of four diehard fans who receive the invitation of a lifetime: to stay on a private island and compete for the un-published manuscript of the final book in her favorite series.
*Also available: large print*

Happiness Falls
By Angie Kim
A Korean American family’s beloved father and husband goes missing. What follows is a ticking-clock investigation into his whereabouts and an emotionally rich portrait of a family whose personal secrets may be at the heart of his disappearance.
*Also available: large print*

Happiness
By Danielle Steel
Sabrina Brooks is a bestselling author who lives a quiet life in the Berkshires with her dogs – until she becomes heir to her deceased uncle’s title and estate outside London.
*Also available: large print, CD*

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

Astor: The Rise and Fall of an American Fortune
By Anderson Cooper and Katherine Howe
John Jacob Astor, one of the wealthiest men to have ever lived, built a fortune through his beaver trapping business, which he grew in real estate – enriching him at the expense of Manhattan’s poorest residents.
Also available: large print

Elon Musk
By Walter Isaacson
This is a look at one of the leading innovators of our time – a visionary who helped to lead the world into the era of electric vehicles, private space exploration, and artificial intelligence.
Also available: CD

Democracy Awakening: Notes on the State of America
By Heather Cox Richardson
The author offers an explanation of how America, once a beacon of democracy, now teeters on the brink of autocracy – and how we can turn back.
Also available: large print

The Best Strangers in the World: Stories From a Life Spent Listening
By Ari Shapiro
A broadcaster takes readers around the globe to reveal the stories behind narratives that are heartwarming, sometimes heartbreaking, but always poignant.
Also available: large print

Worthy
By Jada Pinkett Smith
The creator of the Red Table Talk series shares her own story – her path to accepting her power as a woman, and her discovery that a strong sense of self is every woman’s right and saving grace.
Also available: CD

If You Would Have Told Me: A Memoir
By John Stamos with Daphne Young
Over the past four decades, the author has become one of his generation’s most successful actors, lived out his dreams as an honorary Beach Boy, and surprised everyone with his success, including himself.
Also available: CD

Stay Sane in an Insane World: How to Control the Controllables and Thrive
By Greg Harden
World-class athletes, doctors, lawyers, teachers, business leaders, college students, and professionals from all walks of life have come to Harden for advice and direction.
Also available: CD

The Wisdom of Morrie: Living and Aging Creatively and Joyfully
By Morrie Schwartz
The subject of the beloved classic “Tuesdays With Morrie” offers an insightful, poignant masterpiece on staying vibrant and connected for life.
Also available: large print

Enough
By Cassidy Hutchinson
The author’s desk was just steps from the most controversial president in recent American history. She provides her experiences as a young woman thrust into the middle of a national crisis.
Also available: CD
More New Books
Alphabetical order by author

**Fiction**

*The Paris Assignment*
By Rhys Bowen  
*Also available: large print*

*The Summer Skies*
By Jenny Colgan  
*Also available: large print*

*What Happened to Ruthy Ramirez*
By Claire Jimenez  
*Also available: large print*

*Nightbloom*
By Peace Adzo Medie  
*Also available: large print*

*Summer Stage*
By Meg Mitchell Moore  
*Also available: large print*

*Wade in the Water*
By Nyani Nkrumah  
*Also available: large print*

*Everything’s Fine*
By Cecilia Rabess  
*Also available: large print, CD*

*Cassandra in Reverse*
By Holly Smale  
*Also available: large print*

*Silver Alert*
By Lee Smith  
*Also available: large print*

*Second Act*
By Danielle Steel  
*Also available: large print, CD*

*The Breakaway*
By Jennifer Weiner  
*Also available: large print*

*The Unmaking of June Farrow*
By Adrienne Young

*Cozy Mystery*

*The Vanishing Type*
By Ellery Adams  
*Also available: large print*

*Peg and Rose Stir up Trouble*
By Laurien Berenson  
*Also available: large print, CD*

*Murder is a Piece of Cake*
By Valerie Burns  
*Also available: large print*

*Honey, Drop Dead*
By Laura Childs  
*Also available: large print*

*The Diva Delivers on a Promise*
By Krista Davis  
*Also available: large print, CD*

*Mother of the Bride Murder*
By Leslie Meier  
*Also available: large print*

*Historical*

*The Armor of Light*
By Ken Follett  
*Also available: large print, CD*

*The River We Remember*
By William Kent Krueger  
*Also available: large print, CD*

*Lone Women*
By Victor LaValle  
*Also available: large print*

*The Air Raid Book Club*
By Annie Lyons  
*Also available: large print*

*Silver Nitrate*
By Silvia Moreno-Garcia  
*Also available: large print*

*Homestead*
By Melinda Moustakis  
*Also available: large print*

*Dust Child*
By Nguyễn Phan Quế Mai  
*Also available: large print*
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**Mrs. Porter Calling**  
By A.J. Pearce  
*Also available: large print*

**The Old Lion: A Novel of Theodore Roosevelt**  
By Jeff Shaara  
*Also available: large print*

**Good Night, Irene**  
By Luis Alberto Urrea  
*Also available: large print*

**The Covenant of Water**  
By Abraham Verghese  
*Also available: large print, CD*

**Let Us Descend**  
By Jesmyn Ward  
*Also available: large print, CD*

**Humorous**

**Don’t Forget to Write**  
By Sara Goodman Confino

**Games and Rituals**  
By Katherine Heiny  
*Also available: large print*

**The Burnout**  
By Sophie Kinsella  
*Also available: large print, CD*

**The English Experience**  
By Julie Schumacher  
*Also available: large print*

**Mystery**

**NYT The Secret**  
By Lee Child and Andrew Child  
*Also available: large print, CD*

**Dead Man’s Wake**  
By Paul Doiron  
*Also available: large print*

**Dirty Thirty**  
By Janet Evanovich  
*Also available: large print*

**Tell-tale Bones**  
By Carolyn Haines  
*Also available: large print*

**Blessing of the Lost Girls**  
By J.A. Jance  
*Also available: large print, CD*

**The Longmire Defense**  
By Craig Johnson  
*Also available: CD*

**The Bone Hacker**  
By Kathy Reichs  
*Also available: large print*

**Payback in Death**  
By J.D. Robb  
*Also available: large print, CD*

**NYT Judgment Prey**  
By John Sandford  
*Also available: large print, CD*

**Heart of the Nile**  
By Will Thomas  
*Also available: large print*

**Psychological**

**The Spare Room**  
By Andrea Bartz  
*Also available: large print*

**House of Cotton**  
By Monica Brashears  
*Also available: large print*

**Too Late**  
By Colleen Hoover  
*Also available: large print*

**Fixit**  
By Joe Ide  
*Also available: large print, CD*

**NYT Holly**  
By Stephen King  
*Also available: large print, CD*

**Yellowface**  
By R.F. Kuang  
*Also available: large print*

**Prom Mom**  
By Laura Lippman  
*Also available: large print*
More New Books
Alphabetical order by author

Religious

**Into the Fire**
By Irene Hannon
*Also available: large print*

**The Heirloom**
By Beverly Lewis
*Also available: large print, CD*

**Finding Us**
By Tracie Peterson
*Also available: large print, CD*

Romance

**Hello Stranger**
By Katherine Center
*Also available: large print, CD*

**Something in the Heir**
By Suzanne Enoch
*Also available: large print*

**Love, Theoretically**
By Ali Hazelwood
*Also available: large print*

**This Bird Has Flown**
By Susanna Hoffs
*Also available: large print*

**The True Love Experiment**
By Christina Lauren
*Also available: large print, CD*

**Things We Left Behind**
By Lucy Score
*Also available: large print*

Science Fiction/Fantasy

**A Fire in the Flesh**
By Jennifer L. Armentrout
*Also available: CD*

**Sword Catcher**
By Cassandra Clare

**Royal Assassin**
By Robin Hobb
*Also available: CD*

**Ink Blood Sister Scribe**
By Emma Törzs
*Also available: large print*

Short Stories

**Normal Rules Don’t Apply**
By Kate Atkinson
*Also available: large print*

**Tomb Sweeping**
By Alexandra Chang

**Never Whistle at Night: An Indigenous Dark Fiction Anthology**
Edited by Shane Hawk and Theodore C. Van Last Jr.

**Roman Stories**
By Jhumpa Lahiri

**Wednesday’s Child**
By Yiyun Li

**A Darker Shade of Noir: New Stories of Body Horror by Women Writers**
Edited by Joyce Carol Oates

**23 ½ Lies**
By James Patterson
*Also available: large print, CD*

**Holler, Child**
By Latoya Watkins

**Night Side of the River: Ghost Stories**
By Jeanette Winterson

Thriller

**Tom Clancy**
**Weapons Grade**
By Don Bentley
*Also available: large print*

**Out of Nowhere**
By Sandra Brown
*Also available: large print, CD*

**Blood Lines**
By Nelson DeMille and Alex DeMille
*Also available: large print, CD*
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