

# WHAT TO READ, WATCH, & DO NEXT

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Starting March 1st, patrons are welcome back in the Library! Patrons can drop in for short visits to browse, check out items, and use our public computers. All patrons must wear masks and practice social distancing while on library property; the Library has a limited supply of surgical style masks if you need one.

Visitors are welcome Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. — 6 p.m., Fridays 10 a.m. — 5 p.m., and Saturdays 10 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

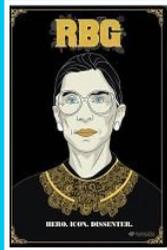
## DID YOU KNOW?

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have new recommendations for improving the fit and efficacy of your mask.

For more information on making sure your mask works as efficiently as possible, visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/effective-masks.html>

## GREAT NEW MOVIES

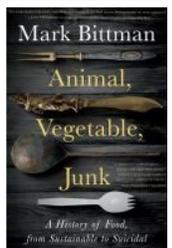
Celebrate Women's History Month with this selection of movies from our collection. Call, email, or go online to reserve a DVD, or visit the library to browse.



## NEW AT THE LIBRARY

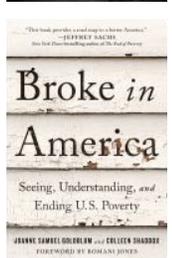
### ANIMAL, VEGETABLE, JUNK BY MARK BITTMAN

The history of Homo sapiens is usually told as a story of technology and economics, but there is a more fundamental driver: food. From hunting and gathering to GMOs and ultra-processed foods, this tour of human history rewrites the story of our species — and points the way to a better future.



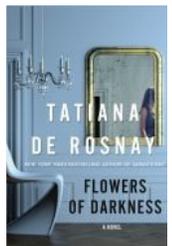
### BROKE IN AMERICA BY JOANNE SAMUEL GOLDBLUM AND COLLEEN SHADDOX

Water. Food. Housing. The most basic and crucial needs for survival, yet 40 percent of people in the United States don't have the resources to get them. With key policy changes, we could eradicate poverty in this country within our lifetime - but we need to start now. Essential and timely, *Broke in America* offers a crucial road map for securing a brighter future.



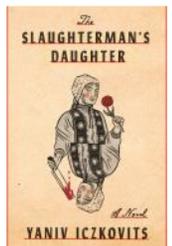
### FLOWERS OF DARKNESS BY TATIANA de ROSNAY

A riveting and emotionally intense novel, set in the near future Paris, where a woman confronts past betrayal and present mystery. Author Clarissa Katsef is struggling to write her next book. She's snagged a brand new artist residency in an ultra-modern apartment building. But since moving in, she has had the feeling of being watched. Is there a reason to be paranoid?



### THE SLAUGHTERMAN'S DAUGHTER BY YANIV ICZKOVITS

An irresistible, picaresque tale of two Jewish sisters in 19th-century Russia. Yaniv Iczkovits spins a family drama into a far-reaching comedy of errors that will pit the Czar's army against the Russian secret police and threaten the very foundations of the Russian Empire. *The Slaughterman's Daughter* is a rollicking and unforgettable work of fiction.



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## TREASURES FROM THE STACKS

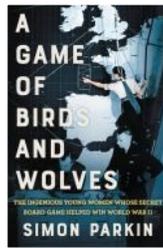
### LAST DAY BY LUANNE RICE

Beth and Kate Lathrop suffered a terrible tragedy the night both the famous painting *Moonlight* and their mother was taken. The detective assigned to the case, Conor Reid, swore to protect the sisters from then on. Beth moved on, throwing herself into the art world. Kate retreated into herself and took to the skies as pilot. When Beth is found strangled and *Moonlight* is taken again, Kate and Reid struggle to make sense of her death, but they only find more questions.



### A GAME OF BIRDS AND WOLVES BY SIMON PARKIN

The triumphant story of the young women who devised a winning strategy that defeated Nazi U-boats and delivered a decisive victory in the Battle of the Atlantic. Rich with unforgettable cinematic detail and larger-than-life characters, *A Game of Birds and Wolves* is a heart-wrenching tale that illuminates the imagination and sacrifice required to defeat the Nazis at sea.



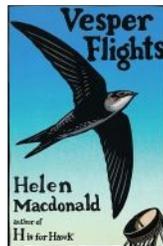
### SO LONG, SEE YOU TOMORROW BY WILLIAM MAXWELL

In this evocative novel, Maxwell explores the enigmatic gravity of the past, which compels us to keep explaining it even as it makes liars out of us every time we try. On a winter morning in the 1920s, a shot rings out on a farm in rural Illinois. A man is killed and the tenuous friendship between two lonely teenagers — one privileged yet neglected, the other a troubled farm boy — is shattered.



### VESPER FLIGHTS BY HELEN MACDONALD

Helen Macdonald brings together a collection of her best loved essays, along with new pieces on topics ranging from nostalgia for a vanishing countryside to the tribulations of farming. By one of this century's most important and insightful nature writers, *Vesper Flights* is a captivating and foundational book about observation, fascination, time, memory, love, and loss, and how we make sense of the world around us.



## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

### AUTHOR TALK WITH LUANNE RICE: THE SHADOW BOX



Sunday, March 24th at 1 p.m. on Zoom. Registration is required.

Luanne Rice is the New York Times bestselling author of 35 novels that have been translated into 24 languages.

Rice will discuss her latest work, *The Shadow Box*, the thrilling story of artist Claire Beaudry Chase, a woman determined to expose the violent crime committed years before by her husband, Griffin.

Zoom registration link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84451202000>

### IRISH DANCE DEMONSTRATION

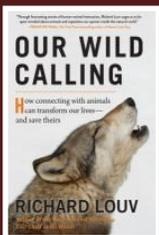


Wednesday, March 17th at 4 p.m. on Facebook Live All Ages

Learn about different kinds of traditional Irish dance and see a live demonstration. Then, learn a few steps yourself!

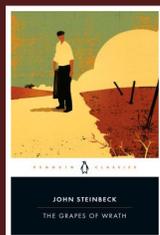
## ELA BOOK GROUPS

**First Thursday**  
March 4th  
4:00 p.m.



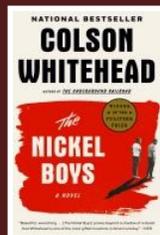
**Our Wild Calling**

**Historical Fiction**  
March 9th  
10:30 a.m.



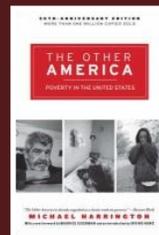
**The Grapes of Wrath**

**Third Wednesday Essex Meadows**  
March 17th  
10:30 a.m.



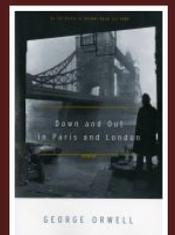
**The Nickel Boys**

**American History**  
March 18th  
5:00 p.m.



**The Other America**

**Classic Books Group**  
April 8th  
5:00 p.m.



**Down and Out in Paris and London**

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