

# WHAT TO READ, WATCH, & DO NEXT

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## Annual Meeting of the Essex Library Association

Wednesday, October 27th at 5:00 p.m. on Zoom.

Registration is required.

Essex Library hosts its Annual Meeting with special guest Dr. Julian Zelizer, who will speak on the topic, "Is Congress Broken?".

Julian Zelizer, Ph.D. is the Malcom Stevenson Forbes, Class of 1941 Professor of History and Public Affairs at Princeton University. He is the author and editor of 19 books on American political history, including his newest book, *Abraham Joshua Heschel: A Life of Radical Amazement*.

## DID YOU KNOW?

The Essex Library Association has added 6 new chromebooks to our collection. You can try them out this autumn during our 2021 Laptop program series, or starting January 2nd, check them out for home use. The chromebooks and laptop series are made possible by a generous grant from Guilford Savings Bank and the Community Foundation of Middlesex County.

## SPOOKY DVDS

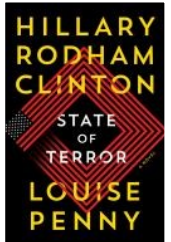
Whether you are in the mood for spooky, scary, gothic, or strange, we have a movie for you! Visit the library to check out these and other titles that will have you listening for things that go bump in the night.



## NEW AT THE LIBRARY

### STATE OF TERROR BY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON AND LOUISE PENNY

After the State Department receives a cryptic warning, Secretary of State Ellen Adams uncovers and combats a massive threat. *State of Terror* is a unique and compelling international thriller co-written by Hillary Rodham Clinton, the 67th Secretary of State, and Louise Penny, a multiple award-winning #1 New York Times bestselling novelist.



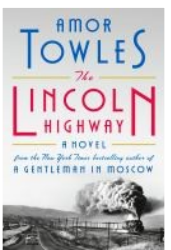
### CROSSROADS BY JONATHAN FRANZEN

December 23, 1971. Pastor Russ Hildebrandt and every member of his family seeks a freedom that each of the others threatens to complicate. A tour de force of interwoven perspectives and sustained suspense, its action largely unfolding on a single winter day, *Crossroads* is the story of a Midwestern family at a pivotal moment of moral crisis.



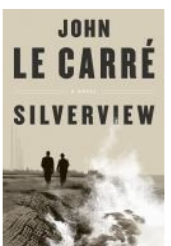
### LINCOLN HIGHWAY BY AMOR TOWLES

In June 1954, eighteen-year-old Emmett Watson comes home from the juvenile work farm where he has served fifteen months for involuntary manslaughter. Emmett intends to leave for California to start over but two friends from the work farm have different plans. Spanning just ten days and told from multiple points of view, Towles's third novel will satisfy fans of his multi-layered literary styling.



### SILVERVIEW BY JOHN LE CARRÉ

Julian Lawndesley has left the city to run a bookshop in a small English seaside town. Only a few months later, Julian receives a visitor, one who knows a lot about Julian's family and the workings of his new enterprise. When a spy chief in London gets warning of a dangerous leak, the investigation leads him to a quiet town by the sea.



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## NEW BOOKS

### THE WICKED WIDOW BY BEATRIZ WILLIAMS

Audacious flapper Gin Kelly returns, ready to marry Prohibition agent Oliver Anson Marshall, but a rum-runner's murder quickly ends their honeymoon bliss. Told in dual timelines set in 1925 and 1998, the third installment of William's Wicked City series asks what ugly secrets lurk in the opulent enclaves of America's richest families? And can two determined women from two different generations thwart the murderous legacy of liquor?



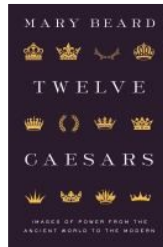
### OTTOLENGHI TEST KITCHEN BY YOTAM OTTOLENGHI

Dozens of irresistible recipes for relaxed, flexible home cooking that will bring the love to every shelf in your pantry, fridge, and freezer. Led by Yotam Ottolenghi and Noor Murad, the revered team of chefs at the Ottolenghi Test Kitchen gives everyday home cooks the accessible yet innovative Middle Eastern-inspired recipes they need to put dinner on the table with less stress and less fuss in a convenient, flexible package.



### TWELVE CAESARS BY MARY BEARD

The fascinating story of how images of Roman autocrats have influenced art, culture, and the representation of power for more than 2,000 years. Mary Beard describes how portraits of the rich, powerful, and famous in the western world have been shaped by the image of Roman emperors. *Twelve Caesars* is an unexpected tale of changing identities, clueless or deliberate misidentifications, fakes, and often ambivalent representations of authority.



### CONDITIONAL CITIZENS BY LAILA LALAME

In this starkly illuminating and impassioned book, Pulitzer Prize-finalist Laila Lalami recounts her unlikely journey from Moroccan immigrant to U.S. citizen, using it as a starting point for her exploration of American rights, liberties, and protections. Brilliantly argued and deeply personal, *Conditional Citizens* weaves together Lalami's own experiences with explorations of the place of nonwhites in the broader American culture.



## UPCOMING PROGRAMS



### How the Apparel Industry Affects the Climate Crisis

Monday, October 4th at 7:00 p.m. and Tuesday October 19th at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom Sustainable Essex and the Essex Library are partnering to host two virtual SEED events. Join us to learn more about the connection between the \$2.5 trillion apparel industry and our climate crisis. On Monday, October 4th at 7:00 p.m. journalist J.B. MacKinnon will discuss the effects of rampant consumerism on our climate and offer starting points for change. On Tuesday, October 19th at 7:00 p.m. journalist Elizabeth Cline will discuss consumer culture, fast fashion, sustainability and labor rights in the apparel industry.



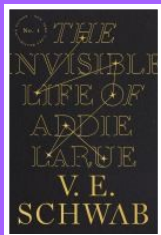
### TEENtober

October is TEENtober at the Essex Library! Join us for a variety of in-person programs throughout the month for ages 12-18 as we celebrate library services for teens. Email our teen librarian at [ccarpino@essexlib.org](mailto:ccarpino@essexlib.org) for more information on how you can participate.

## ELA BOOK GROUPS

### First Thursday

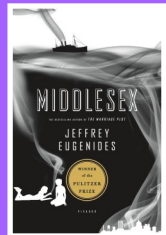
October 7th  
4:00 p.m.



The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue

### Historical Fiction

October 12th  
10:30 a.m.



Middlesex

### Third Wednesday Essex Meadows

October 20th  
10:30 a.m.



Deacon King Kong

### Classic Books Group

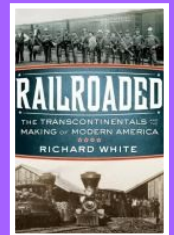
October 21st  
5:00 p.m.



Cancer Ward

### American History

November 18th  
5:00 p.m.



Railroaded

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