

SUMMER READS

2022

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ADULTS



Violeta

by Isabel Allende (NEW FALL)

Told in the form of a letter to someone Violeta loves above all others, this is the story of a 100-year life during the Great Depression - of heartbreak and passionate affairs, poverty and wealth, terrible loss, and immense joy.



The Personal Librarian

by Marie Benedict (NEW F BEN)

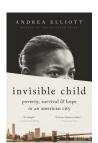
Belle da Costa Greene is hired by J. P. Morgan to curate a collection of rare books for his library. As she creates a world class collection, she must hide the secret that she is the daughter of the first Black graduate of Harvard and well-known advocate for equality.



Hundred Years of Lenni and Margo

by Marianne Cronin (NEW F CRO)

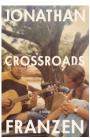
Determined to leave a mark on the world even though they are in the hospital and their days are dwindling, 17-year-old Lenni and 83-year-old Margot devise a plan to create 100 paintings showcasing the stories of the century they have lived.



Invisible Child

by Andrea Elliott (362.77 ELL)

Dasani comes of age in the 21st century, as New York City's homeless crisis is exploding amid the growing chasm between rich and poor. In the shadows of this new Gilded Age, Dasani must lead her siblings through a thicket of problems: hunger,, violence, housing instability, pollution, and segregated schools.



Crossroads

by Jonathan Frazen (F FRA)

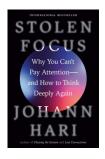
The first book of the trilogy tells the story of a Midwestern family across three generations struggling through a moral crisis. Each family member seeks a freedom that each of the others threatens to complicate.



What the Fireflies Knew

by Kai Harris (NEW F HAR)

After her father dies of an overdose and the debts incurred from his addiction cause the loss of the family home, KB and Nia are sent to live with their estranged grandfather. KB must carve out a different identity for herself and find her voice amidst family troubles.



Stolen Focus

by Johann Hari (153.7 HAR)

In the U.S, the average office worker can focus on a task for only three minutes. Tired of this diminishing and depressing way to live, Hari interviewed the world's leading experts on human attention and discovered that everything we think we know about this crisis is wrong.



Billy Summers

by Stephen King (F KIN)

For nearly 20 years, Billy Summers has worked as a paid assassin. He's a good guy in a bad job, and he wants out. He takes on a very complicated, very lucrative job that he hopes will be his last. However, when a stranger needs rescuing, Billy chooses to sacrifice his safety for her protection.



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