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Monthly Adult Recommendations from the Staff at Deerfield Public Library



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Isaac Fitzgerald

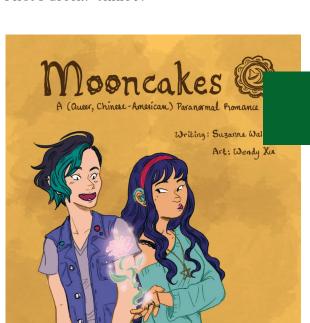
In this collection of essays, the author spins tales of growing up poor in urban then rural Massachusetts, and how he managed to get himself out. So much chaotic energy might have broken a weaker soul, but Fitzgerald found his best self and wrote his way through it.

~Stephanie K. (CW: physical and emotional abuse, sex, suicidal ideation)

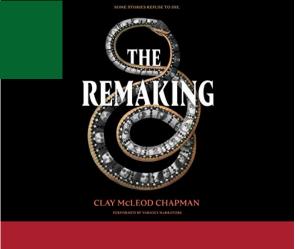
The Remaking

Clay McLeod Chapman

Fans of true crime podcasts will be drawn into this multi-leveled story. All based around the story of one witch, this book covers the many adaptations that follow -- and the consequences to all those who are involved in the telling of the tale of the Witch Girl of Pilot's Creek. ~Anne J.



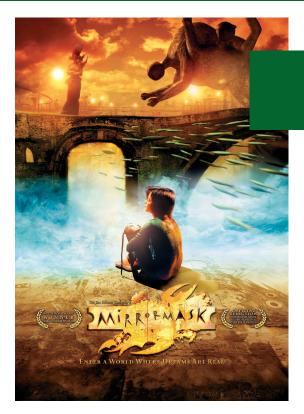
Recorded□Books



Mooncakes

Suzanne Walker

This YA graphic novel is the perfect cozy read for autumn. You can't get much cuter than a witch falling for her childhood best friend, a nonbinary werewolf, while they battle dark forces that threaten their town. Plus the artwork is gorgeous! ~Emily K.

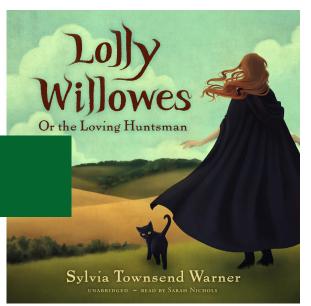


Mirrormask

This was my favorite movie back in high school. Its very trippy and very imaginative. It was also my intro to Neil Gaiman. I always watch this film around the fall because the feeling the scenery gives sort of gives a autumn vibe. You can view this on Kanopy. ~Joseph G.

Lolly Willowes Sylvia Townsend Warner

In this unsung 1926 classic (perfect for Halloween!) the heroine is an independent woman--but does that make her a witch? And if that's the cost of being a modern woman, would she care? Humor, charms, and great writing make this witchy tale a knockout sure to warm you like cider. ~Dylan Z.



Briarley

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Aster Glenn Gray

ROMANCE KINDLE TITLE This romance novella is a M/M Beauty and the Beast retelling set in WWII England. A vicar stumbles upon the Beast's castle and returns rather than send his daughter. It's a comforting, soft read and a creative twist on one of my favorite fairytales. ~Trisha R.

The Green Inferno When I think of October I think horror. This is one of the best horror films of the past decade. It is also one of the best examples of the cannibal subgenre

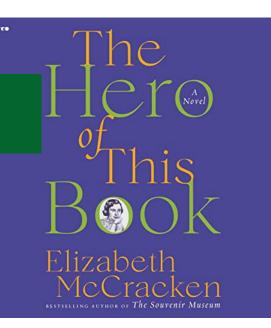
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You might not want to watch this right
after dinner! This is nightmare
inducing. Perfect for this time of year!
~Ted G. (CW: cannibalism, gore,
nudity).

The Hero of this Book

Elizabeth McCracken

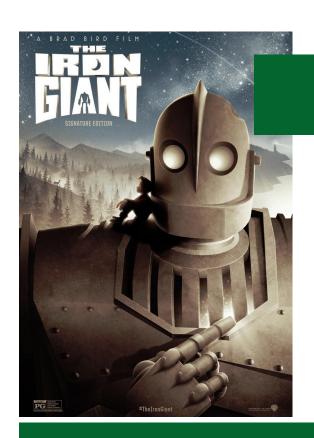
This sweet, concise novel pays tribute to a largerthan-life woman. Many draw upon their own lives when writing fiction, but here the author plays with where the line is drawn between author and narrator...to protect the innocent. Possibly the best book I've read all year! ~Stephanie K. (CW: death)

ALICIA THOMPSON





A true crime enthusiast is convinced her neighbor is a serial killer. But after spending time with him, she realizes he's just a nice guy and the two begin to develop a relationship. If you're a fan of true crime and romance, this fun, lighthearted romance is for you. ~Melissa S.



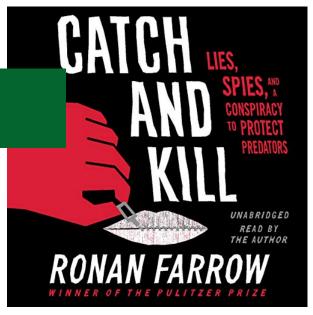
The Iron Giant

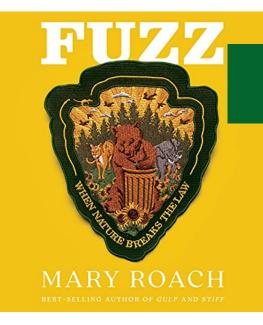
Combining wit and wisdom along with incredible animation, this film captivated me as a kid, and now as an adult I am always struck by it's empathy and hidden complexity. This is my go-to fall re-watch. ~Chase S.

Catch and Kill

Ronan Farrow

This book is not just about Harvey Weinstein -- it's about how deeply entwined, enmeshed, and overlapping the upper echelons of power really are, and how powerful and well-connected people use those networks to insulate themselves from the consequences of their behavior. ~Nicole B. (CW: abuse, sexual assault, workplace retaliation)





Fuzz

Mary Roach

Ever since civilization began to encroach on nature, there have been conflicts with wildlife. Roach investigates various ways humans try to coexist with nature, from gulls in the Vatican to hungry bears and obnoxious monkeys. As always, Roach delivers a fascinating read. ~ Melissa S.