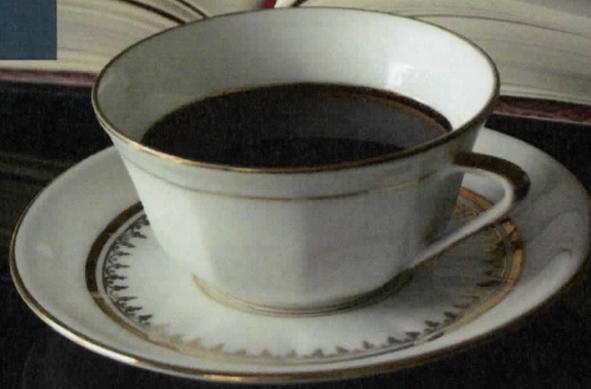


# Books & Brew Booklist

## January 5, 2022



### Fiction

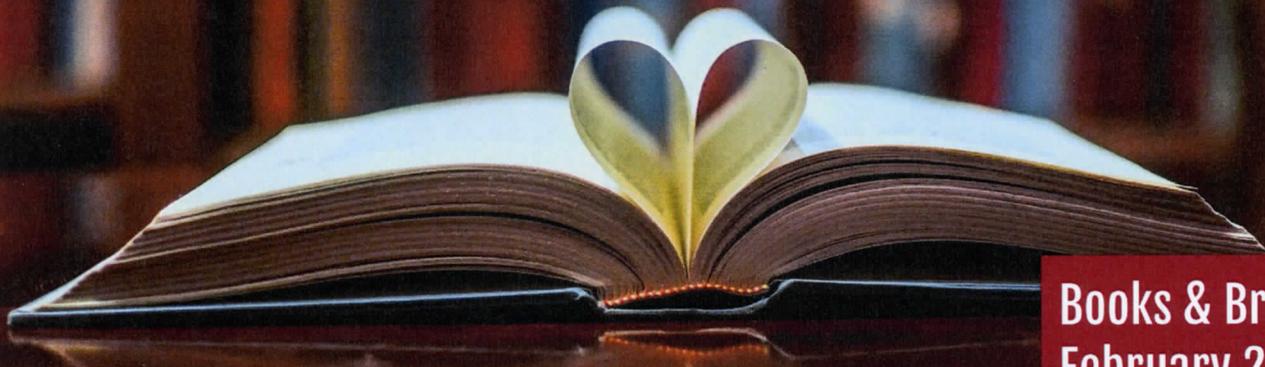
- 1) *The Last Bookshop in London* by Madeline Martin
- 2) *His & Hers* by Alice Feeney
- 3) *Fighting Words* by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
- 4) *The Tumbling Turner Sisters* by Juliette Fay
- 5) *Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles
- 6) *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein

### Nonfiction

- 1) *From Sawdust to Stardust: The Biography of DeForest Kelley, Star Trek's Dr. McCoy* by Terry Lee Rioux
- 2) *Chainsaws: A History* by David Lee
- 3) *The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down: A Hmong Child, Her American Doctors, and the Collision of Two Cultures* by Anne Fadiman
- 4) *What Every Body is Saying: An Ex-FBI Agent's Guide to Speed-Reading People* by Joe Navarro
- 5) *The Bomber Mafia: A Dream, a Temptation, and the Longest Night of the Second World War* by Malcolm Gladwell
- 6) *Chasing Eden: A Book of Seekers* by Howard Mansfield
- 7) *The Hummingbirds' Gift: Wonder, Beauty, and Renewal on Wings* by Sy Montgomery

Also mentioned: The Great Molasses Flood of 1919 in Boston, the book *The Good, Good Pig ...* by Sy Montgomery, and the movie *Star Trek II: "The Wrath of Khan."* Also discussed - Bud Thompson and his part in founding the Canterbury Shaker Village and The Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, and his help in the preservation of Franklin Pierce's home in Concord, New Hampshire.





## Books & Brew Booklist February 2, 2022

### Fiction

- 1) *Miss Kopp Just Won't Quit* by Amy Stewart
- 2) *The Mitford Trial* by Jessica Fellowes
- 3) *A Flicker in the Dark* by Stacy Willingham
- 4) *A Hundred Flowers* by Gail Tsukiyama
- 5) *Halting State* by Charles Stross
- 6) *More Than You Know* by Beth Gutcheon
- 7) *Mary B: An Untold Story of Pride and Prejudice* by Katherine J. Chen
- 8) *Inside Out & Back Again* by Thanhha Lai
- 9) *Footfall* by Larry Niven and Jerry Pournelle
- 10) *Wish You Were Here* by Jodi Picoult

### Nonfiction

- 1) *1776* by David G. McCullough
- 2) *Eighty Years and More: Reminiscences 1815-1897* by Elizabeth Cady Stanton
- 3) *The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up: The Japanese Art of Decluttering and Organizing* by Marie Kondo
- 4) *Frequently Asked Questions about the Universe* by Jorge Cham and Daniel Whiteson

Also mentioned: The book *The Cause: The American Revolution and Its Discontents, 1773-1783* by Joseph J. Ellis, the podcast *Daniel and Jorge Explain the Universe*, and the new movie *The Mitchells vs. the Machines*.



Books & Brew Booklist  
March 2, 2022

Fiction

- 1) *Big Lies in a Small Town* by Diane Chamberlain
- 2) *The Maid* by Nita Prose
- 3) *Harlem Shuffle* by Colson Whitehead
- 4) *The Last of the Mohicans* by James Fenimore Cooper
- 5) *Dangerous Davies, The Last Detective #1* by Leslie Thomas
- 6) *The Stranger* by Harlan Coben
- 7) *One Step Too Far* by Lisa Gardner
- 8) *A Rogue's Company* by Allison Montclair
- 9) *Nothing But Blue Skies* by Tom Holt



Nonfiction

- 1) *The 57 Bus* by Dashka Slater
- 2) *The Year of Yes: How to Dance it Out, Stand in the Sun and Be Your Own Person* by Shonda Rhimes
- 3) *300 Best Potato Recipes: A Complete Cook's Guide* by Kathleen Sloan-McIntosh
- 4) *Call the Midwife: A Memoir of Birth, Joy, and Hard Times* by Jennifer Worth

Also mentioned: Harriet Dame's portrait, *The Deerslayer* by James Fenimore Cooper, *The Women's Bible* by Elizabeth Cady Stanton, *Cotton Comes to Harlem* by Chester Himes and the movie *The Taking of Pelham 123*.





Books & Brew Booklist  
April 6, 2022

Fiction

- 1) *The Time Keeper* by Mitch Albom
- 2) *Stay Close* by Harlan Coben
- 3) *The Magnolia Palace* by Fiona Davis
- 4) *They Eat Puppies Don't They?* by Christopher Buckley
- 5) *Breaking Wild* by Diane Les Becquets
- 6) *Quattrocento* by James McKean
- 7) *Valentine* by Elizabeth Wetmore
- 8) *Arrivals and Departures* by Leslie Thomas
- 9) *Good Omens: The Nice and Accurate Prophecies of Agnes Nutter, Witch* by Neil Gaiman and Terry Pratchett
- 10) *The Lost Apothecary* by Sarah Penner

Nonfiction

- 1) *Bird Brother: A Falconer's Journey and the Healing Power of Wildlife*  
by Rodney Stotts
- 2) *The Greatest Generation* by Tom Brokaw
- 3) *The Road* by Jack London
- 4) *Educated: A Memoir* by Tara Westover
- 5) *In A Sunburned Country* by Bill Bryson
- 6) *Mobituaries: Great Lives Worth Reliving* by Mo Rocca
- 7) *New Hampshire Book of the Dead: Graveyard Legends & Lore*  
by Roxie J. Zwicker



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## May 4, 2022



### Fiction

- 1) *Love & Saffron: A Novel of Friendship, Food, and Love* by Kim Fay
- 2) *The Henna Artist* by Alka Joshi
- 3) *Out of Africa* by Isak Dinesen
- 4) *An Elderly Lady is Up to No Good: Stories* by Helene Tursten
- 5) *The Three Musketeers* by Alexandre Dumas
- 6) *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini
- 7) *Agent to the Stars* by John Scalzi
- 8) *Before the Coffee Gets Cold* by Toshikazu Kawaguchi
- 9) *Carnegie's Maid* by Marie Benedict
- 10) *Timescape* by Gregory Benford
- 11) *A Slow Fire Burning* by Paula Hawkins
- 12) *The Escapement (Engineer Trilogy, 3)* by K. J. Parker
- 13) *Fear: A Novel of World War I* by Gabriel Chevallier
- 14) *The Sleepless Ones* by James Marrison
- 15) *Sea of Tranquility* by Emily St. John Mandel
- 16) *The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett

### Nonfiction

- 1) *Hardtack and Coffee: The Unwritten Story of Army Life* by John D. Billings
- 2) *Lincoln and the Fight for Peace* by John P. Avlon
- 3) *Courtesans: Money, Sex and Fame in the Nineteenth Century* by Katie Hickman
- 4) *Atlas of the Invisible: Maps & Graphics That Will Change How You See the World* by James Cheshire and Oliver Uberti
- 5) *The Greatest Invention: A History of the World in Nine Mysterious Scripts* by Silvia Ferrara and Todd Portnowitz
- 6) *The Road to Little Dribbling: Adventures of an American in Britain* by Bill Bryson

Also mentioned: A Walking Tour of Historic Downtown Concord, NH - brochures can be purchased at the Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce.





**Books & Brew Booklist**  
**June 1, 2022**

Fiction

- 1) *True Biz* by Sarah Novic
- 2) *The Leopard* by Giuseppe Tomas di Lampedusa
- 3) *Shadows of Pelican Hollow* by Caroline Frost
- 4) *The Scarlet Pimpernel* by Baroness Orczy

Nonfiction

- 1) *Life in a Medieval Castle* by Joseph and Frances Gies
- 2) *Island on the Edge: A Life on Soay* by Anne Cholawo
- 3) *General James Longstreet: The Confederacy's Most Controversial Soldier* by Jeffrey D. Wert
- 4) *Through Two Doors at Once: The Elegant Experiment That Captures the Enigma of Our Quantum Reality* by Anil Ananthaswamy

Video: "Island on the Edge, A Life on Soay, by Anna Cholawo. (Part 1)"  
YouTube: watsonclass September 6, 2016

Also mentioned: The movie "CODA," PBS TV Show: "Lucy Worsley Investigates," and website: bulwer-lytton.com (honoring Sir Edward George Bulwer-Lytton, whose 1830 novel *Paul Clifford* begins with "It was a dark and stormy night.")





**Books & Brew Booklist**  
**July 6, 2022**

Fiction

- 1) *Recipes for Love and Murder* by Sally Andrew
- 2) *The Time Machine* by H.G. Wells (1895 edition)
- 3) *Light from Uncommon Stars* by Ryka Aoki
- 4) *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens
- 5) *This Time Tomorrow* by Emma Straub
- 6) *The Sacred Bridge* by Anne Hillerman
- 7) *Dead Sand* by Brendan DuBois
- 8) *The Maid* by Nita Prose
- 9) *11/22/36* by Stephen King
- 10) "The Reunion" short story by Paul J. Nahin
- 11) *A Surfeit of Lampreys* by Ngaio Marsh

Nonfiction

- 1) *Cascadia's Fault: The Coming Earthquake and Tsunami That Could Devastate North America* by Jerry Thompson
- 2) *How to Be A Good Creature: A Memoir in Thirteen Animals* by Sy Montgomery

Also mentioned: *The Week* magazine's book recommendations, and books *Time and Again* by Jack Finney, *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt, and *The Soul of an Octopus: A Surprising Exploration into the Wonder of Consciousness* by Sy Montgomery.





## Books & Brew Booklist August 3, 2022

### Fiction

- 1) *The It Girl* by Ruth Ware
- 2) *The Herald of Hell (The Brother Athelstan Mysteries Book 15)*  
by Paul Doherty
- 3) *The Pages* by Hugo Hamilton
- 4) *The Nature of Water and Air* by Regina McBride
- 5) *Jamaica Inn* by Daphne Du Maurier
- 6) *The Killing Man* by Mickey Spillane

### Nonfiction

- 1) *The Marmalade Diaries: The True Story of an Odd Couple* by Ben Aitken
- 2) *The Rise and Reign of the Mammals: A New History, from the Shadow of Dinosaurs to Us* by Paul Brusatte
- 3) *For All the Tea in China: How England Stole the World's Favorite Drink and Changed History* by Sarah Rose

Also mentioned: An exhibit at the New Hampshire Historical Society - "A Faithful Student of Nature: The Life and Art of Samuel L. Gerry" (New Hampshire paintings, especially the White Mountains) through August 13th and the movie *Marty* with Ernest Borgnine.





## Books & Brew Booklist September 7, 2022

### Fiction

- 1) *Cinderella is Dead* by Kaylynn Bayron
- 2) *The Phone Booth at the Edge of the World* by Laura Imai Messina
- 3) *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus
- 4) *The Sherlockian* by Graham Moore
- 5) *A Room with a View* by E. M. Forster
- 6) *Anna Karenina* by Leo Tolstoy
- 7) *The Exiles* by Christina Baker Kline
- 8) *The Tenderness of Wolves* by Stef Penney
- 9) *You Are Not Alone* by Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen
- 10) *The Lady with the Gun Asks the Questions: The Ultimate Miss Phryne Fisher Story Collection* by Kerry Greenwood
- 11) *Who's on First* by William F. Buckley, Jr.
- 12) *The Family Remains* by Lisa Jewell
- 13) *Kim* by Rudyard Kipling
- 14) *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid

### Nonfiction

- 1) *Beginners: The Joy and Transformative Power of Lifelong Learning* by Tom Vanderbilt
- 2) *Fantastic Numbers and Where to Find Them: A Cosmic Quest from Zero to Infinity* by Antonio Padilla
- 3) *Riverman: An American Odyssey* by Ben McGrath

Also mentioned: Brené Brown's TED talk, the book *Dune* by Frank Hebert, the movie *October Sky*, and the book *The Guest List* by Lucy Foley.



Books & Brew Booklist  
October 5, 2022



Fiction

- 1) *The Wedding Dress Sewing Circle* by Jennifer Ryan
- 2) *The Talisman* by Stephen King
- 3) *The Disaster Artist: My Life Inside the Room, The Greatest Bad Movie Ever Made* by Greg Sestero and Tom Bissell
- 4) *Anasazi* by Dean Ing
- 5) *Area X: The Southern Reach Trilogy: Annihilation; Authority; Acceptance* by Jeff VanderMeer
- 6) *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt
- 7) *Nettle & Bone* by T. Kingfisher
- 8) *The Bangalore Detectives Club* by Harini Nagendra
- 9) *The Disaster Tourist* by Yun Ko-eun (note: reader did not recommend)
- 10) *Metropolis* by B. A. Shapiro
- 11) *Parable of the Sower* by Octavia E. Butler
- 12) *The Fifth Season: The Broken Earth: Book One* by N.K. Jemisin

Nonfiction

- 1) *The Great Bridge: The Epic Story of the Building of the Brooklyn Bridge* by David McCullough
- 2) *Ten Tomatoes that Changed the World: A History* by William Alexander
- 3) *What If? 2: Additional Serious Answers to Absurd Hypothetical Questions* by Randall Munroe

Also mentioned: Movies - *The Disaster Artist*, *The Room*, *Metropolis*, and Ken Burns' *Brooklyn Bridge*. Books - *The Soul of an Octopus ...* by Sy Montgomery and books by David McCullough - *The Greater Journey: Americans in Paris, 1830-1900* and *The Johnstown Flood*.





## Books & Brew Booklist November 2, 2022

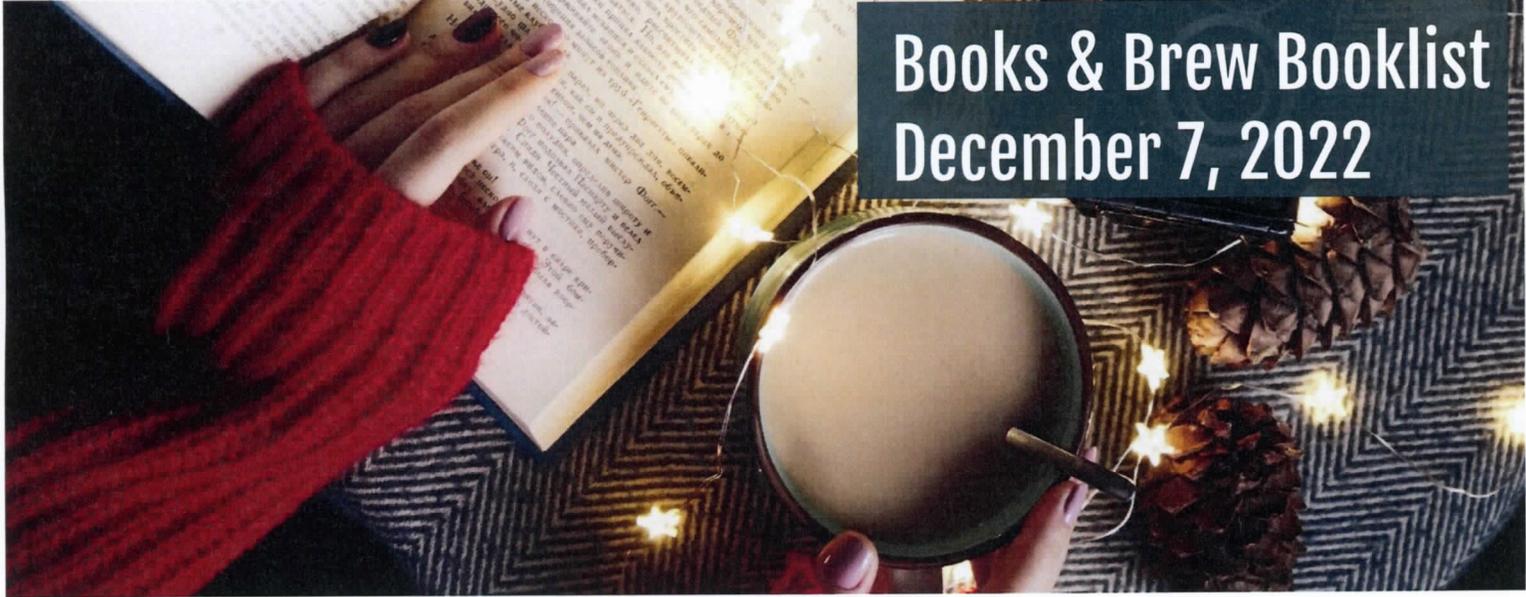
### Fiction

- 1) *The Bullet That Missed* by Richard Osman
- 2) *Keeping Time* by David Bear
- 3) *Ordinary Grace* by William Kent Krueger
- 4) *A Dangerous Place* by Jacqueline Winspear
- 5) *The Miniaturist* by Jessie Burton
- 6) *The Sympathizer* by Viet Thanh Nguyen
- 7) *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah
- 8) *Distant Shores* by Kristin Hannah
- 9) *This is Paradise* by Kristiana Kahakauwila
- 10) *Murder on the Vine* by Camilla Trinchieri
- 11) *The Measure* by Nikki Erlick
- 12) *The October Man: A Rivers of London Novella* by Ben Aaronovitch
- 13) *The Maze* by Nelson DeMille (not recommended)
- 14) "A Relic of War" by Keith Laumer (short story in 1969 *Analog Science Fiction and Fact* magazine)

### Nonfiction

- 1) *Shady Characters: The Secret Life of Punctuation, Symbols, and Other Typographical Marks* by Keith Houston





# Books & Brew Booklist December 7, 2022

## Fiction

- 1) *Secrets of the Nile* by Tasha Aldexander
- 2) *The Golden Hour* by Niki Smith
- 3) *Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress* by Dai Sijie
- 4) *Mad Honey* by Jodi Picoult and Jennifer Finney Boylan
- 5) *Serena Singh Flips the Script* by Sonya Lalli
- 6) *The Year the Indy Died (novelette)* by P. M. Fergusson

## Nonfiction

- 1) *Beatrix Potter: Drawn to Nature* by Annemarie Bilclough
- 2) *Don Giovanni Captured: Performance, Media, Myth* by Richard Will
- 3) *Shuttle, Houston: My Life in the Center Seat of Mission Control* by Paul Dye
- 4) *Paperboy: Confessions of a Future Engineer* by Henry Petroski

Also mentioned: NASA TV, BBC podcast *13 Minutes to the Moon*, movies : *Apollo 11*, *Apollo 13*, *The World's Fastest Indian*, and *Ford vs Ferrari*. Books: *Stages to Saturn: A Technological History ...* by Roger Bilstein, *Nothing to Envy: Ordinary Lives in North Korea* by Barbara Demick, *Watership Down* by Richard Adams, and graphic novel *March*, and the Victoria and Albert Museum.

