Adult Fiction

Find monthly adult fiction titles that our librarians recommend for discussion:

The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek
Kim Michele Richardson

Tucked deep into the woods of Troublesome Creek, KY, lives blue-skinned Cussy Carter. She joins Roosevelt’s Pack Horse Library Project and becomes a traveling librarian, riding on her mule to deliver books and other reading material to the impoverished hill people of Eastern KY.

Subjects: Traveling libraries, Packhorse librarians, Kentucky
Page count: 320

Find this book on CountyCat and Hoopla. Find the reading guide here.
When Tallulah Jones was thirteen, her grandmother plucked her from the dank Oakland apartment she shared with her unreliable mom and brought her to the family ostrich ranch in the Mojave Desert.

Subjects: Dysfunctional families, Ostriches, Inheritance and succession

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Adult Nonfiction

Find monthly adult nonfiction titles that our librarians recommend for discussion:
Lost Girls: An Unsolved American Mystery
Robert Kolker

A literary account of the lives and presumed serial killings of five Craigslist prostitutes whose bodies were found on the same Long Island beach in 2010. Based on the New York magazine cover story.

Subjects: Serial murderers, Computer crimes, Prostitution
Page count: 432

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Why We Can’t Sleep
Ada Calhoun
When Ada Calhoun found herself in the throes of a midlife crisis, she thought that she had no right to complain. So why did she feel miserable? And why did it seem that other Generation X women were miserable, too? Calhoun decided to find some answers.
Subjects: Middle-aged women, Midlife crisis, Generation X
Page count: 163

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**YA Books**

Find monthly teen-friendly titles that our librarians recommend for discussion:

*Gone*
Michael Grant

In the blink of an eye, everyone disappears. Gone. Except for the young. There are teens, but not one single adult. Just as suddenly, there are no phones, no internet, no television. No way to get help. And no way to figure out what’s happened.
Subjects: Disappearances, Good and evil, Regression (civilization)
Page count: 576

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It’s Kind of a Funny Story
Ned Vizzini

A humorous account of a New York City teenager’s battle with depression and his time spent in a psychiatric hospital.
Subjects: Depression, Mental illness, Psychiatric hospitals
Page Count: 464

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Children Books
Find monthly child-friendly titles that our librarians recommend for discussion:
Tiny T. Rex and the Very Very Dark
Jonathan Stutzman

Tiny T. Rex and his friend Pointy are planning a campout in the backyard, but they are both worried that the dark will be altogether too dark, so they plan on bringing a night light with them—but when the night light does not work they bravely open their eyes and discover the stars above.
Page count: 48
Suggested ages: Birth-8

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Gertrude Chandler Warner

The Aldens are spending spring break on a beach, but they aren't just soaking up the sun. They're protecting an endangered species!
Page count: 128
Suggested ages: 9-12

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Because of Winn-Dixie
Kate DiCamillo

Ten-year-old India Opal Buloni describes her first summer in the town of Naomi, Florida and all the good things that happen to her because of her big, ugly dog Winn-Dixie.
Page count: 192
Suggested ages: 9-12
Lexile: 670
AR: 3.9

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Seventh grader Jordan Banks loves nothing more than drawing cartoons. But instead of sending him to art school, his parents enroll him in a prestigious private school known for its academics, where Jordan is one of the few kids of color in his entire grade.

Page count: 256
Suggested ages: 9-12
Lexile: 320
AR: 2.9

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