

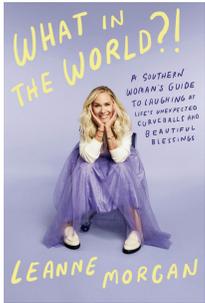


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**Usually meets on third Thursdays
Check online calendar for exact dates
6:15-7:45 p.m.
Campbell Room**



Fantastic Non-Fiction selections consist of titles that are engaging, compelling and go beyond stuffy facts and figures. The public is welcome to come to any or all of the discussions. Can't make it in person? You can also attend via Zoom! On request, a link will be sent the day of the meeting.



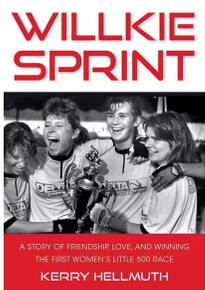
January
What in the World?!: A Southern Woman's Guide to Laughing at Life's Unexpected Curveballs and Beautiful Blessings
By Leanne Morgan

The author offers real talk about what it's like to be a woman today— from rebelling against the latest diet trends to dealing with perimenopausal mean girls and attending rock concerts in middle age.



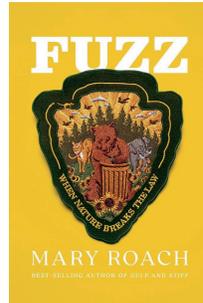
February
Black in Blues: How a Color Tells the Story of My People
By Imani Perry

From the dyed indigo cloths of West Africa to the fundamentally American art form of blues music, author Imani Perry examines the connection of the color blue to Black history, weaving together themes of hope, melancholy and personal experience to examine race in ways that transcend politics and ideology.



March
Willkie Sprint: A Story of Friendship, Love, and Winning the First Women's Little 500 Race
By Kerry Hellmuth

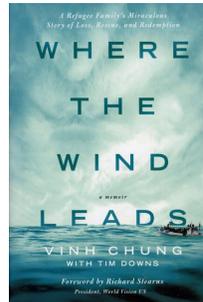
In 1987, four young women at Indiana University formed an underdog team, Willkie Sprint, and defied expectations by winning the first-ever women's Little 500 bicycle race. Kerry Hellmuth recounts their journey of friendship, personal growth, and victory, honoring the pioneering women who paved the way and celebrating the team's historic, inspiring triumph.



April
Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law
By Mary Roach

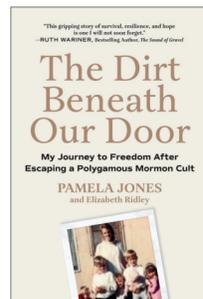
Mary Roach takes us on an irresistible investigation into the unpredictable world where wildlife and humans meet. What's to be done about a jaywalking moose? A grizzly bear caught breaking and entering? A murderous tree? The answers are best found not in the law but in science.

(This event is part of the Salina Reads series).



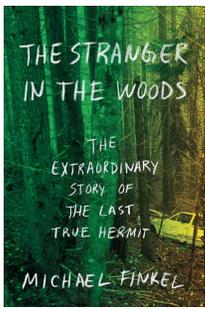
May
Where the Wind Leads: A Refugee Family's Miraculous Story of Loss, Rescue, and Redemption
By Vinh Chung

Offers the author's account of his Chinese family's flight from oppression in Vietnam, their harrowing experiences as boat people, their subsequent rescue, and the difficulties they faced after being relocated to Fort Smith, Arkansas.



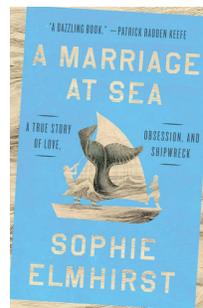
June
The Dirt Beneath Our Door: My Journey to Freedom After Escaping a Polygamous Mormon Cult
By Pamela Jones and Elizabeth Ridley

For fans of Educated and The Sound of Gravel, The Dirt Beneath Our Door tells the remarkable and inspirational story of how a mother escaped a fundamentalist Mormon cult with her eight youngest children, only to struggle with newfound freedom in an America she barely knew.



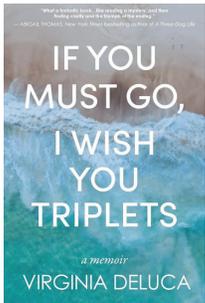
July
The Stranger in the Woods: The Extraordinary Story of the Last True Hermit
 By Michael Finkel

Documents the true story of a man who endured a hardscrabble, isolated existence in a tent in the Maine woods, never speaking with others and surviving by stealing supplies from nearby cabins, for 27 years, in a portrait that illuminates the survival means he developed and the reasons behind his solitary life.



October
A Marriage at Sea: A True Story of Love, Obsession, and Shipwreck
 By Sophie Elmhirst

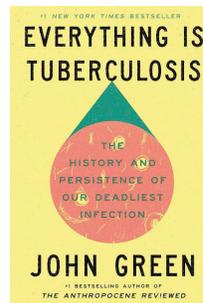
Bored of 1970s suburban life, Maralyn has an idea— sell the house, build a boat, and set sail for New Zealand with her husband. When their beloved boat is struck by a whale and the pair are cast adrift in the Pacific Ocean, their love is put to the test as they struggle to stay alive.



August
If You Must Go, I Wish You Triplets

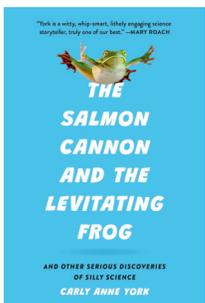
By Virginia DeLuca
 When psychotherapist Virginia DeLuca's sixty-year-old husband walked out saying he wanted babies,

everyone had a theory: He knocked up another woman. He had a nervous breakdown. He has a brain tumor. DeLuca spent decades helping clients cope with sudden losses and dramatic changes—and then she experienced a sudden loss, leaving her with the mystery of the ending and the need to forge an unfamiliar path. *If You Must Go, I Wish You Triplets* is an unflinching exploration of love and relationships from a woman who ultimately found that life can expand in unexpected ways.



November
Everything Is Tuberculosis: The History and Persistence of Our Deadliest Infection
 By John Green

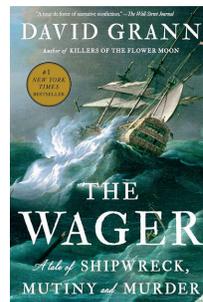
Author John Green tells the story of a young tuberculosis patient in Sierra Leone woven through with the scientific and social histories of how tuberculosis has shaped our world—and how our choices will shape the future of tuberculosis.



September
The Salmon Cannon and the Levitating Frog: And Other Serious Discoveries of Silly Science

By Carly Anne York
 York invites readers to appreciate the

often unpredictable journey of scientific exploration, highlighting that the heart of science lies in the relentless pursuit of knowledge for its own sake. This is an accessible, story-driven book that shows how important and exciting it is to simply let curiosity run wild.



December
The Wager: A Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny and Murder
 By David Grann

The 1741 shipwreck of the British naval ship HMS Wager and the subsequent ordeal of its survivors—while stranded on an island the crew had fallen into anarchy, with warring factions fighting for dominion over the barren wilderness. As accusations of treachery and murder flew, the Admiralty convened a court martial to determine who was telling the truth.

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