

Dec. 2017 -April 2018

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Join us the first Wednesday of the month, newcomers welcome.

Dec. 6, 2017 ~ 7:00p *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi

Fiction, 2016. Spanning over 250 years: two half sisters are born into different villages, each unaware of the other. One will marry an Englishman and lead a life of comfort, the other will be sold into slavery.

Reading Lolita

Jehran



Jan. 3, $2018 \sim 7:00p$

Reading Lolita in Tehran by Azar

Memoir, 2003: Azar Nafisi, a bold and inspired teacher, secretly gathered seven of her most committed female

students to read forbidden Western classics. Some came from conservative and religious families, others were progressive and secular, some had spent time in jail.

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Feb. 7, 2018 ~ 7:00p <u>The Space Between</u> <u>Us</u> by Thrity Umrigar

Fiction, 2007. Thrity Umrigar vividly captures the social struggles of modern India in a luminous, addictively readable novel of honor, tradition,

class, gender, and family. A portrayal of two women discovering an emotional rapport as they struggle against the confines of a rigid caste system.

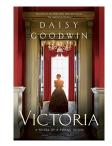
March 7, 2018 ~ 7:00p

<u>Brain on Fire</u>
by Susannah Cahalan



Biog/Non Fiction, 2012. When Susannah Cahalan woke up in a hospital room, strapped to her bed and unable to move or

speak, she had no memory of how she'd gotten there. Days earlier, she had been on the threshold of a new, adult life. Now she was labeled violent, psychotic, a flight risk.



April 4, 2018 ~ 7:00p <u>Victoria</u> <u>by Daisy Goodwin</u>

Historical fiction, 2016. Drawing on Queen Victoria's diaries, Daisy Goodwin brings the young nineteenth-century monarch

(who would go on to reign for 63 years) richly to life in this magnificent novel.

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