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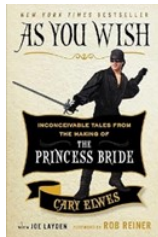
**Wed, Sept 18 @ 7 pm**

**Sept 2024: Big Little Lies by Liane Moriarty** Sometimes it's the little lies that turn out to be the most lethal. A murder...A tragic accident...Or just parents behaving badly? What's indisputable is that someone is dead. *Big Little Lies* is a brilliant take on ex-husbands and second wives, mothers and daughters, schoolyard scandal, and the dangerous little lies we tell ourselves just to survive.

**Tues, Oct 15 @ 10 am**

**Wed, Oct 16 @ 7 pm**

**Oct 2024: The Wager by David Grann** From the author of *Killers of the Flower Moon*, a page-turning story of shipwreck, survival, and savagery, culminating in a court martial that reveals a shocking truth. The powerful narrative reveals the deeper meaning of the events on *The Wager*, showing that it was not only the captain and crew who ended up on trial, but the very idea of empire.



**Tues, Nov 19 @ 10 am**

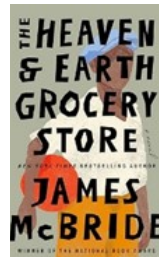
**Wed, Nov 20 @ 7 pm**

**Nov 2024: As You Wish by Cary Elwes** From actor Cary Elwes, who played the iconic role of Westley in *The Princess Bride*, comes the account of the making of the cult classic film. In *As You Wish* he has created an enchanting experience; in addition to never-before seen photos and interviews with his fellow cast mates, there are plenty of set secrets and backstage stories.

**Tues, Jan 21 @ 10 am**

**Wed, Jan 22 @ 7 pm**

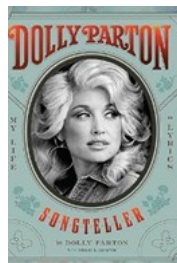
**Jan 2025: The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store by James McBride** In 1972, when workers in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, were digging the foundations for a new development, the last thing they expected to find was a skeleton at the bottom of a well. Who the skeleton was and how it got there were two of the long-held secrets kept by the residents of Chicken Hill, the neighborhood where Jews and African Americans lived side by side and shared ambitions and sorrows.



**Tues, Feb 18 @ 10 am**

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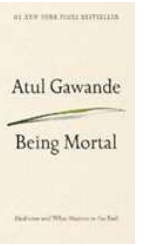
**Feb 2025: Dolly Parton, Songteller by Dolly Parton** As told in her own inimitable words, *Songteller* explores the songs that have defined Parton's journey. Illustrated throughout with previously unpublished images from her personal and business archives, the *Washington Post* calls it "a gold mine of little-seen photos and personal anecdotes." Mining over 60 years of songwriting, Dolly Parton highlights 175 of her songs and brings readers behind the lyrics.



**Tues, March 18 @ 10 am**

**Wed, March 19 @ 7 pm**

**March 2025: Being Mortal by Atul Gawande** Gawande, a practicing surgeon, offers examples of freer, more socially fulfilling models for assisting the infirm and dependent elderly, and he explores the varieties of hospice care to demonstrate that a person's last weeks or months may be rich and dignified.



**Tues, April 15 @ 10 am**

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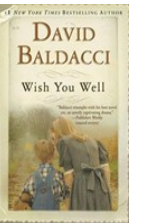


**Apr 2025: Notes from a Small Island by Bill Bryson** Before *New York Times* bestselling author Bill Bryson wrote *The Road to Little Dribbling*, he took this delightfully irreverent jaunt around the unparalleled floating nation of Great Britain, which has produced zebra crossings, Shakespeare, Twiggie Winkie's Farm, and places with names like Farleigh Wallop and Titsey.

**Tues, May 20 @ 10 am**

**Wed, May 21 @ 7 pm**

**May 2025: Wish You Well by David Baldacci** Following a family tragedy, siblings Lou and Oz must leave New York and adjust to life in the Virginia mountains--but just as the farm begins to feel like home, they'll have to defend it from a dark threat in this *New York Times* bestselling coming-of-age story.



**Tues, June 17 @ 10 am**

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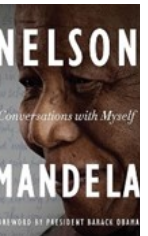


**June 2025: One Puzzling Afternoon by Emily Critchley** It is 1951, and at number six Sycamore Street fifteen-year-old Edie Green is lonely. So when the popular Lucy befriends Edie, she thinks all her troubles are over. Then Lucy goes missing . . . Now in 2018, Edie is eighty-four and still living in the same small town, when one afternoon she glimpses Lucy, still looking the same as she did at fifteen. Her family write it off as one of her many mixups. But Edie knows she's the key to finding Lucy.

**Tues, July 15 @ 10 am**

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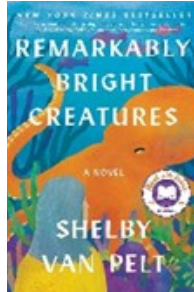
**July 2025: Conversations with Myself by Nelson Mandela** *Conversations with Myself* draws on Mandela's personal archive of never-before-seen materials. Journals kept on the run during the anti-apartheid struggle of the early 1960s; diaries and draft letters written in Robben Island and other South African prisons during his twenty-seven years of incarceration; notebooks from the postapartheid transition; private recorded conversations—a historic collection of documents is brought together into a sweeping narrative.



Tues, Aug 19 @ 10 am

Wed, Aug 20 @ 7 pm

Aug 2025: **Remarkably Bright Creatures** by Shelby Van Pelt After Tova Sullivan's husband died, she began working the night cleaner shift at the Sowell Bay Aquarium. Ever since her eighteen-year-old son, Erik, mysteriously vanished on a boat over thirty years ago keeping busy has helped her cope. One night she meets Marcellus, a giant Pacific octopus living at the aquarium who sees everything, but wouldn't dream of lifting one of his eight arms for his human captors – until he forms a remarkable friendship with Tova.



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