### Friends and Family

- 1. The Family Fang by Kevin Wilson (F)
- 2. The Firebrand and the First Lady by Patricia Bell-Scott (NF)
- 3. The Interestings by Meg Wolitzer (F)
- 4. LaRose by Louise Erdrich (F)
- 5. My Brilliant Friend by Elana Farrante (F)(1<sup>st</sup> in series)
- 6. The Nix by Nathan Hill (F)
- 7. The Return by Hisham Matar (NF)
- 8. Salvage the Bones by Jesmyn Ward (F)
- 9. Saturday Night Widows by Becky Aikman (NF)
- 10. To the Lighthouse by Virginia Woolf (F)

## New and Noteworthy

- 1. All the Single Ladies by Rebecca Traister (NF)
- 2. Born to Run by Bruce Springstein (NF)
- 3. A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles (F)
- 4. Grief is a Thing With Feathers by Max Porter (F)
- 5. The Heart Goes Last by Margaret Atwood (F)
- 6. Homegoing by Yaa Gyasi (F)
- 7. Moonglow by Michael Chabon (F)
- 8. Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult (F)
- 9. Symptoms of Being Human by Jeff Garvin (F/ YA)
- 10. The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead (F)

# Staff Picks

- The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie (F/YA)
  American Copper by Shann Ray (F)
- 3. Dodger Blue Will Fill Your Soul by Bryan Allen Fierro (F/AK) (short stories)
- 4. March: Volumes 1-3 by John Lewis, Andrew Aydin & Nate Powell (GN/YA)
- A Natural History of Dragons by Marie Brennan (F) (1<sup>st</sup> in series)
- 6. Shadowshaper by Daniel Jose Older (F/YA)
- 7. This is How it Really Sounds by Stuart Archer Coen (F/AK)
- 8. Truevine by Beth Macy (NF)
- The Warrior's Apprentice by Lois McMaster Bujold (F)(2<sup>nd</sup> in series, stands alone)
- 10. You'll Grow Out of It by Jessi Klein (NF)

## STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)

- 1. Beyond Earth by Charles Wohlforth and Amanda R. Hendrix, PhD. (NF/AK)
- 2. Blockhead: The Life of Fibonacci by Joseph D'Agnese and John O'Brien (NF/J)
- *3. Braiding Sweetgrass* by Robin Wall Kimmerer (NF)
- 4. The Gene by Siddhartha Mukherjee (NF)
- 5. Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly (NF)
- 6. Lab Girl by Hope Jahren (NF)
- 7. Ready Player One by Ernest Cline (F)
- 8. Seven Brief Lessons on Physics by Carlo Rovelli (NF)
- 9. Shine Shine Shine by Lydia Netzer (F)
- 10. Version Control by Dexter Palmer (F)

# Read Fifteen

The Homer Public Library staff hopes that you will make time for reading in 2017.

We have created a community-wide initiative to read fifteen books throughout the year.

The book list was designed primarily for adults although there are a number of books from the children's collection on this year's list so that families may participate together.

### To participate:

- Read a book from our list, in any category.
- Report back that you've read a book from the list, either on our online form at http:// cityofhomer-ak.gov/library/2017-lit-lineup or in-person at the library. If you wish, you can rate the book and leave comments.
- Reporting back enters you into a monthly drawing for a prize.
- Any person who enters fifteen or more books by the end of the year will be entered into a Grand Prize drawing.

#### Join in the book discussion on Goodreads.

https://www.goodreads.com/group/ show/207128-homer-public-library-2017-litlineup

If you have any questions, email Teresa at tsundmark@ci.homer.ak.us or call the library at 235-3180.

Read Fifteen

2017 Lit Lineup





#### **Adventures**

- 1. The Arrival by Shaun Tan (GN/YA)
- 2. Canyons and Ice by Kaylene Johnson (NF/AK)
- 3. The Hike by Drew Magary (F)
- 4. Jungle of Stone by William Carlsen (NF)
- 5. News of the World by Paulette Jiles (F)
- 5. On Trails by Robert Moor (NF)
- 7. Sixty Meters to Anywhere by Brendan Leonard (NF)
- Throne of the Crescent Moon by Saladin Ahmed (F) (1<sup>st</sup> in series)
- 9. Thru-Hiking Will Break Your Heart by Carrot Quinn (NF)
- 10. Uprooted by Naomi Novik (F)

## Alaska

- 1. The Alaskan Laundry by Brendan Jones (F)
- 2. All the Winters After by Sere Halvorson (F)
- 3. The Bright Edge of the World by Eowyn Ivey (F)
- 4. Fast into the Night by Debbie Clark Moderow (NF)
- 5. Gaining Daylight by Sara Loewen (NF)
- 6. Liar's Code by Rich Chiappone (NF)
- 7. Rhythm of the Wild by Kim Heacox (NF)
- 8. The Smell of Other People's Houses by Bonnie Sue Hitchcock (F/YA)
- White Sky, Black Ice by Stan Jones (F) (1<sup>st</sup> in series)
- 10. A Wolf Called Romeo by Nick Jans (NF)

## All Ages

- 1. Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson (F)
- 2. El Deafo by Cece Bell (GN)
- *3. Harry Potter* by JK Rowling (F) (1<sup>st</sup> in series)
- 4. The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate (F)
- 5. Pax by Sara Pennypacker (F)
- 6. Raymie Nightingale by Kate DiCamillo (F)
- 7. The War that Saved My Life by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley (F)
- 8. Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin (F)
- *9. Wolf Hollow* by Lauren Wolk (F)
- 10. Wonder by R.J. Palacio (F)

# Cause for Hope

- 1. Adventures in the Anthropocene by Gaia Vince (NF)
- 2. The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer

(J, YA and NF)

- 3. Catalog of Unabashed Gratitude by Ross Gay (poetry)
- 4. Gilead by Marilynne Robinson (F)
- 5. The Humans by Matt Haig (F)
- 6. A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman (F)
- 7. Man's Search for Meaning by Viktor E. Frankl (NF)
- 8. The Sun is Also a Star by Nicola Yoon (F/YA)
- 9. Tiny Beautiful Things by Cheryl Strayed (NF)
- 10. Vivas to Those Who Have Failed by Martin Espada (poetry)

## Classics (new and old)

- 1. 1984 by George Orwell (F)
- 2. Beloved by Toni Morrison (F)
- 3. The Bridge of San Luis Rey by Thornton Wilder (F) (Big Read)
- 4. The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao by Junot Diaz (F)
- 5. The Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck (F)
- 6. Interpreter of Maladies by Jhumpa Lahiri (F) (short stories)
- 7. Jaws by Peter Benchley (F)
- 8. Kidnapped by Robert Louis Stevenson (F/YA)
- 9. Middlesex by Jeffry Eugenides (F)
- 10. This Boy's Life by Tobias Wolff (NF)

## Community

- 1. *The Book of Unknown Americans* by Cristina Henriquez (F)
- 2. Dreamland by Sam Quinones (NF)
- 3. Friday Night Lights by H.G. Bissinger (NF)
- 4. Harmony by Carolyn Parkhurst (F)
- 5. *Hillbilly Elegy* by J.D. Vance (NF)
- 6. Mink River by Brian Doyle (F)
- 7. *The Nordic Theory of Everything* by Anu Partanen (NF)
- 8. *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder (play/Big Read)
- 9. Riverine by Angela Palm (NF)
- 10. *Stamped from the Beginning* by Ibram X. Kendi (NF)

# First Fifteen

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F-Fiction NF-Non Fiction YA-Young Adult GN-Graphic Novel AK-Alaskana