

# Montgomery City-County Public Library

## NEWLY RELEASED TITLES SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 2016

**Juliette Hampton Morgan Memorial Library**  
245 High Street  
334-240-4999

**EL Lowder Regional Library**  
2590 Bell Road  
244-5717

**Rufus A. Lewis Regional Library**  
3095 Mobile Highway  
240-4848

**Governor's Square Branch Library**  
2885-B East South Boulevard  
284-7929

**Coliseum Boulevard Branch Library**  
840 Coliseum Boulevard  
271-7005

**Bertha P. Williams Library @ Rosa Parks Avenue**  
1276 Rosa Parks Avenue  
240-4979

**Ramer Branch Library**  
5444 State Highway 94  
334-562-3364

**Pike Road Branch Library**  
9585 Vaughn Road  
244-8679

**Pintlala Branch Library**  
255 Federal Road  
281-8069

**Hampstead Branch Library**  
5251 Hampstead High Street, Suite 107  
334-244-5770

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Leave a comment or make a recommendation for additions to the collection.

We would love to hear from you, our patrons!

# New Releases in December

Annotations from Baker & Taylor  
Booking Ahead

## Biography

**Books for Living** by Will Schwalbe

The best-selling author of *The End of Your Life Book Club* presents a highly personal celebration of reading, sharing impassioned recommendations for specific books that can offer guidance through daily life.

**Casanova: The World of a Seductive Genius** by Laurence Bergreen

A biography of the famous writer, libertine and self-invented genius describes how he grew up among spies and informants in Venice, was arrested for reading forbidden books, escaped from prison and toured the continent, finally joining the court of Catherine the Great.

**Reagan** by Iwan Morgan

A heavily researched portrait of the 40th U.S. President chronicles his early years in Illinois, Hollywood career, election as governor of California and achievements and setbacks during his White House years.

**Wars of the Roosevelts, The: The Ruthless Rise of America's Greatest Political Family** by William J. Mann

A biography of the Roosevelt family draws on lesser-known family secrets and complex rivalries to argue that the Roosevelts' rise to power was driven by a series of inside competitions that were witnessed first hand by an increasingly begrudging Eleanor Roosevelt.

## Business & Economics

**Tools of Titans: The Tactics, Routines, and Habits of Billionaires, Icons, and World-class Performers**

by Tim Ferriss

The #1 *New York Times* best-selling author of *The 4-Hour Workweek* collects the best tools and tactics that he's learned from the top celebrities and thinkers that he's had on his popular podcast.

**Whiplash: How to Survive Our Faster Future** by Joi Ito & Jeff Howe

The director of MIT's Media Lab and a contributor to *Wired* present a set of working principles for adapting and thriving in the face of the 21st century's rapidly changing and unpredictable digital environments.

## Fantasy & Science Fiction

**Belle Chasse, No. 5 (Sentinels of New Orleans)** by Suzanne Johnson

A conclusion to the urban fantasy series set in post-Katrina New Orleans finds former wizard sentinel DJ Jaco struggling to keep the elven leader, Quin Randolph, focused on peace while rival princes battle for power in the leaderless Faerie world.

**Dead on the Bones: Pulp on Fire** by Joe R. Lansdale

An illustrated edition collects eight stories where the award-winning author pays tribute to the rip-roaring tales of his youth.

**Sinners, No. 2 (Monster Hunter Memoirs)** by Larry Correia & John Ringo

Dispatched to New Orleans to reinforce the beleaguered Monster Hunter International's elite hunters, Chad Oliver Gardenier finds himself battling increasing hordes of werewolves, shadow demons, necromancers and oversized monsters in exchange for lucrative bounties.

## General Nonfiction

### **American Fisherman, The: How Our Nation's Anglers Founded, Fed, Financed, and Forever Shaped the U.S.A.** by Willie Robertson & William Doyle

The *Duck Dynasty* star and best-selling author traces the impact fishing has had in shaping America's history and reveals the influential role it has played in defining our lives, exploring how it has transformed our culture, in literature, movies and television.

### **Are Numbers Real?: The Uncanny Relationship of Mathematics and the Physical World** by Brian Clegg

The critically acclaimed author of *Ten Billion Tomorrows* and *The Final Frontier* presents an accessible, in-depth look at the history of numbers and their applications in life and science, from math's surreal presence in the virtual world to the debates about the role of math in science.

### **Win at Losing: How Our Biggest Setbacks Can Lead to Our Greatest Gains** by Sam Weinman

An sports journalist describes how he realized the shortcomings of today's winning-obsessed culture when he tried to parent his sons through life's inevitable setbacks, a challenge that prompted his interviews with experts in a range of fields to explore the fear of failure and how setbacks can be used productively.

## Health and Fitness

### **Case Against Sugar, The** by Gary Taubes

The best-selling author of *Why We Get Fat* outlines compelling arguments about the health dangers of sugar, identifying the powerful lobbies behind its overuse, while citing its role in a range of challenges from obesity to nonalcoholic fatty liver disease.

### **Lose Your Belly Diet, The: Change Your Gut, Change Your Life** by Travis Stork

Based on new research about the dramatic benefits of vibrant gut health and a diverse gut microbiome, a detailed plan aims to help each reader nurture his or her gut while helping to burn off excess weight and harmful belly fat.

## Historical Fiction

### **Good Time Coming** by C. S. Harris

A coming-of-age tale set in Civil War-torn Louisiana follows an adolescent girl as the war forces her to grow up all-too-quickly.

### **Victoria: A Novel of a Young Queen** by Daisy Goodwin

From the best-selling author of *The American Heiress* and creator/writer of the new Masterpiece/PBS drama *Victoria* comes a glorious novel of the 18-year-old girl who became a great queen.

## History

### **Crown of Blood: The Deadly Inheritance of Lady Jane Grey** by Nicola Tallis

A revised history of Lady Jane Grey's often-misunderstood trial and execution, places events against a backdrop of the dangerous plots and political intrigues of her time, examining Jane's qualities as a charismatic advocate and martyr of the Protestant faith.

### **Forged Through Fire: War, Peace, and the Democratic Bargain** by Frances McCall Rosenbluth & John Ferejohn

Two celebrated political scientists explore the question about whether democracy is dependent on war, tracing how democracy has evolved in brutally competitive environments, has been repeatedly excised and is being compromised in America today by drone warfare.

**Private Lives of the Tudors, The: Uncovering the Secrets of Britain's Greatest Dynasty** by Tracy Borman

An in-depth examination behind the public faces of the Tudor monarchs draws on original material from their most intimate courtiers to illuminate lesser-known details about their private worlds, from what they ate and the clothes they wore to how they practiced their faith and how they were treated while sick.

**Toussaint Louverture: A Revolutionary Life** by Philippe Girard

A definitive biography of one of the most influential men in history, based on meticulous research from archives across the world and in multiple languages, chronicles how the lowly freedman transformed himself into a hero and the mastermind of the bloody slave revolt of 1791.

## Mystery & Detective

**Beyond the Truth, No. 7 (Hanne Wilhelmsen)** by Anne Holt

Investigating the Christmas-season murders of four people in the luxurious home of one of Oslo's wealthiest families, Norwegian Police Chief Inspector Hanne Wilhelmsen risks everything to identify a mysterious victim and his reason for being among the others.

**Brazen, No. 5 (Valentina Mysteries)** by Loren D. Estleman

When his former actress friend is murdered at a crime scene staged to look the way Marilyn Monroe was found, detective Valentino is targeted with suspicion by police detective Ray Padilla, who asks for Valentino's help when another former actress is killed.

**Bryant & May: Strange Tide, No. 13 (Peculiar Crimes Unit)** by Christopher Fowler

When a woman is found drowned in the Thames after being roped to a pillar at low tide, the Peculiar Crimes Unit is baffled to discover only the victim's footprints leading to the spot where she was killed.

**Buried in the Country, No. 4 (Cornish Mysteries)** by Carola Dunn

Summoned to assist in a secret conference, a retired charity worker teams up with her detective niece to track down a missing solicitor and protect a pair of African students who are being followed by sinister adversaries with mysterious allegiances.

**Cat Sitter and the Canary, The, No. 11 (Dixie Hemingway)** by John Clement & Blaize Clement

Caring for a kitty regular at the side of her Lhasa Apso sidekick, Dixie discovers a dead body in the parlor of her client's home before being trapped in a maze of intrigue that implicates her in a series of deaths.

**Curried Away, No. 4 (Spice Shop Mysteries)** by Gail Oust

When an Indian cuisine demonstration at her spice shop is interrupted by the murder of the unpopular director of a local theater production, spunky Piper Prescott sifts through a rash of suspects to clear the name of her accused best friend, Reba Mae.

**Egg Drop Dead, No. 7 (Cackleberry Club)** by Laura Childs

A latest entry in the recipe-complemented mystery series finds Suzanne stumbling on the murdered body of a local dairy farmer before Petra, Toni and she are targeted by a frenzied killer.

**Ill Met by Murder, No. 2 (Shakespeare in the Catskills Mysteries)** by Elizabeth J. Duncan

When Charlotte Fairfax, costume designer for the Catskill Shakespeare Theater Company, discovers a body murdered the night before their wealthy benefactor's daughter's wedding, she decides she must investigate.

**Plaid and Plagiarism, No. 1 (Highland Bookshop Mysteries)** by Molly MacRae

When the murder of a hated local disrupts preparations for the annual Inversgail Literature Festival in Scotland, the owner of a new bookshop and an ambitious investigative reporter comb through the victim's hate mail for clues about who was the killer.

**Time of Death, No. 1 (Stillwater General Mysteries)** by Lucy Kerr

ER nurse Frankie Stapleton returns home to repair family relationships, but after saving a patient's life at the hospital—only for him to die hours later—Frankie must catch a killer to clear her name.

## Performing Arts

**Art of *Rogue One, The: A Star Wars Story*** by Josh Kushins & Lucasfilm Ltd.

An official companion to *Rogue One* provides an in-depth tour of the production's art department, profiling key droids, vehicles and weapons through hundreds of concept paintings, sketches, storyboards, matte paintings and designs.

**Inside the Magic: The Making of *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*** by Ian Nathan

Returning to the wizarding world created by J. K. Rowling, a must-have companion to the new movie starring Eddie Redmayne, Colin Farrell and many others casts a spell over its readers as interviews, insights, set design, costumes, special effects and more are brought to life within its pages.

## Romance

**Blood Vow, No. 2 (Black Dagger Legacy)** by J. R. Ward

Isolated from his fellow Black Dagger Brotherhood recruits by a tragedy, talented fighter Axe is assigned to protect an alluring aristocratic woman, Elise, who would uncover the truth about a cousin's murder.

**Lord of the Privateers, No. 4 (The Adventurers Quartet)** by Stephanie Laurens

The author delivers the conclusion to her series, a passionate Regency-era drama where intrigue and danger play out on the high seas and in exotic tropical jungles, ultimately reaching a dazzling climax in the glittering ballrooms of London.

**Wyoming Brave, No. 6 (Wyoming Men)** by Diana Palmer

Agreeing to let Meredith Grayling, who is hiding from a dangerous stalker, stay on his ranch, Ren Colter, who has lived as a recluse since his fiancée left him years ago, finds his protective instincts kicking and his heart opening up to this blonde beauty who has gotten under his skin.

## Science

**Earth in Human Hands: Shaping Our Planet's Future** by David Grinspoon

A NASA astrobiologist and award-winning writer outlines optimistic messages about humanity's future in the face of climate change, explaining how the human role in managing the planet's evolution is determining the course of life.

**Undoing Project, The: A Friendship that Changed Our Minds** by Michael Lewis

The author of *The Blind Side* examines how a theory by Israeli psychologists Daniel Kahneman and Amos Tversky created the field of behavioral economics and has had a lasting influence on evidence-based regulation.

**Unnatural World, The: The Race to Remake Civilization in Earth's Newest Age** by David Biello

A journalist, combining the historical perspective of *The Song of the Dodo* with the urgency of *An Inconvenient Truth*, examines the world we have created and chronicles the scientists, billionaires and ordinary people who are working toward saving the best home humanity is likely to ever have.

## Story Collections

**Christmas Days: Twelve Stories** by Jeanette Winterson

A collection of stories written annually at Christmas by the author includes tales of trees with magical powers, a tinsel baby that talks, flying dogs, philosophical fairies and a haunted house.

**In Sunlight or in Shadow: Stories Inspired by the Paintings of Edward Hopper** by Lawrence Block

An anthology inspired by the paintings of Edward Hopper is complemented by quality full-color reproductions and includes contributions by such forefront authors as Joyce Carol Oates, Stephen King and Lee Child.

## Suspense

**Curtain of Death, No. 3 (Clandestine Operations)** by W. E. B. Griffin & William E. Butterworth

When two WACs are accosted by Soviet NKGB agents from an officers' club in 1946 Munich and kill three of their attackers to escape, the incident triggers shock waves that have major repercussions throughout a fledgling CIA.

**Dying for Christmas** by Tammy Cohen

When her date with the charming Dominic Lacey leads to a Twelve Days of Christmas from hell as she is held captive by this twisted man and forced to wear his missing wife's clothes and open "gifts," Jessica Gould has a secret of her own that may just mean she has a chance to make it out alive.

**Expecting to Die, No. 7 (Pescoli/Alvarez)** by Lisa Jackson

As she deals with her pregnancy and a reality show in town, Detective Regan Pescoli must team with her partner, Selena Alvarez, to take down a serial killer who is picking off teenage partiers in the woods of Grizzly Falls.

**Midnight Bell, The, No. 22 (Sean Dillon)** by Jack Higgins

When the assistant to the head of a White House department is killed by a hit-and-run driver, the event is tied to a warning to the U.S. President by a branch of al-Qaida that is determined to prove its resilience.

**Out of Bounds, No. 4 (Karen Pirie)** by Val McDermid

When a teen joyrider crashes a stolen car and ends up in a coma, a routine DNA test reveals a connection to a twisted unsolved murder from more than two decades earlier.

**Seventh Plague, The, No. 11 (Sigma Force)** by James Rollins

When a British archaeologist who had been missing for two years reappears and dies amid findings that his body was being mummified while he was still alive, Sigma Force must stop an ancient plague with ties to some of history's most innovative minds.

**Spartan Dagger, The** by Nicholas Guild

Murdering two defenseless people to claim their manhood, a pair of Spartan youths unknowingly unleash the wrath of the victims' son, Protos, whose destiny and innate skills lead to his rise as a liberator for his oppressed people.

**Tom Clancy True Faith and Allegiance, No. 17 (Jack Ryan)** by Mark Greaney

Investigating a massive data breach that threatens the security of every U.S. intelligence operative in the world, President Jack Ryan confronts an impossible choice when the data is obtained and exploited by the Chinese government.



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