## **Brown Bag Book Club**

Reading lists from prior years of Brown Bag Book Club.

- 2016
  - Lila by Marilynne Robinson
  - Z: A Novel of Zelda Fitzgerald by Therese Anne Fowler
  - The Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins
  - The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin
  - Dead Wake by Erik Larson
  - **A Touch of Stardust** by Kate Alcott
  - Me Before You by Jojo Moyes
  - All the Single Ladies by Dorothea Benton Frank
  - The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah
  - o And the Dark Sacred Night by Julia Glass
  - o The Hundred-Foot Journey by Richard Morais
  - A Spool of Blue Thread by Anne Tyler
- 2015
  - The Obituary Writer by Ann Hood
  - **Unbroken** by Lara Hillenbrand
  - The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd
  - Crazy Rich Asians by Kevin Kwan
  - **Orphan Train** by Cristina Baker Kline
  - China Dolls by Lisa See
  - Lady Almina and the Real Downton Abbey: the Lost Legacy of Highclere Castle by Fiona, Countess of Carnarvon
  - All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr
  - Behind the Beautiful Forevers: Life, Death, and Hope in a Mumbai Undercity by Katherine Boo
  - Go Set a Watchman by Harper Lee
  - o Etta and Otto and Russell and James by Emma Hooper
  - The Samaritan by Stephen Besecker
- 2014
  - The Paris Wife by Paula McLain
  - o I Am Forbidden by Anouk Markovits
  - Manuscript Found in Accra by Paulo Coelho
  - Death Comes to Pemberley by P.D James
  - The Girls of Murder City by Douglas Perry
  - The Flight of Gemma Hardy by Margot Livesey
  - The Devotion of Suspect X by Keigo Higashino

- A Spear of Summer Grass by Deanna Raybourn
- The Aviator's Wife by Melanie Benjamin
- The Other Typist by Suzanne Rindell
- o I Am Malala by Malala Yousafzai and Christina Lamb
- **The Lowland** by Jhumpa Lahiri
- 2013
  - When She Woke by Hillary Jordan
  - The Hare With Amber Eyes: A Hidden Inheritance by Edmund De Waal
  - **The Dovekeepers** by Alice Hoffman
  - Destiny of the Republic: A Tale of Madness, Medicine, and the Murder of a **President** by Candice Millard
  - Little Bee by Chris Cleave
  - A Lady Cyclist's Guide to Kashgar by Suzanne Joinson
  - **Rules of Civility** by Amor Towles
  - **Conquistadora** by Esmeralda Santiago
  - The Postmistress by Sarah Blake
  - **Midnight Rising** by Tony Horowitz
  - The Shoemaker's Wife by Adriana Trigiani
  - o The Peach Keeper: A Novel by Sarah Addison Allen
- 2012
  - Major Pettigrew's Last Stand by Helen Simonson
  - **Pearl of China** by Anchee Min
  - **The Omnivore's Dilemma: A Natural History of Four Meals** by Michael Pollan
  - The Namesake by Jhumpa Lahiri
  - The Girl Who Fell From the Sky by Heidi Durrow
  - The Uncommon Reader by Alan Bennett
  - The Heretic's Daughter by Kathleen Kent
  - In the Garden of Beasts: Love, Terror, and an American Family in Hitler's **Berlin**\* by Erik Larson
  - Loving Frank by Nancy Horan
  - Dreams of Joy by Lisa See
  - Caleb's Crossing by Geraldine Brooks
  - **The Tiger's Wife** by Tea Obreht

- 2011
  - Year of Wonders: A Novel of the Plague by Geraldine Brooks
  - Escape from Slavery: The True Story of My Ten Years in Captivity And My Journey to Freedom in America by Francis Bok
  - **Love Medicine** by Louise Erdrich
  - The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie by Alan Bradley
  - **The Night Counter** by Alia Yunis
  - The Well and the Mine by Gin Phillips
  - Island of Exiles by I. J. Parker
  - The Seamstress by Frances de Pontes Peebles
  - The Butterfly Mosque: A Young American Woman's Journey To Love and Islam by G. Willow Wilson
  - The Work of Wolves by Kent Meyers
  - The Latehomecomer: A Hmong Family Memoir by Kao Kalia Yang
  - The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann Shaffer
- 2010
  - Sister of My Heart by Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni
  - The Kite Runner by Khaled Hossein
  - My Antonia by Willa Cather
  - The Naked Quaker: True Crimes and Controversies by Diane Rapaport
  - **Peace Like a River** by Leif Enger
  - **The Commoner** by John Burnham Schwartz
  - **Out Stealing Horses** by Per Petterson
  - In the Land of Invisible Women: A Female Doctor's Journey in the Saudi Kingdom by Quanta A. Ahmed
  - The Day the World Came to Town: 9/11 in Gander, Newfoundland by Jim Defede
  - The Help by Kathryn Stockett
  - The Professor and the Madman: A Tale of Murder, Insanity, and the Making of the Oxford English Dictionary by Simon Winchester
  - The Painted Veil by W. Somerset Maugham
- 2009
  - The Kitchen Boy: A Novel of the Last Tsar by Robert Alexander
  - The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by Mark Haddon
  - **Unburnable** by Marie-Elena John
  - Three Day Road by Joseph Boyden
  - Luncheon of the Boating Party by Susan Vreeland
  - Winter in Madrid by C.J. Sansom

- Water for Elephants by Sara Gruen
- **Confederates in the Attic: Dispatches from the Unfinished Civil War** by Tony Horwitz
- **Spilling Clarence** by Anne Ursu
- Sweet Mandarin: The Courageous True Story of Three Generations Of Chinese Women and Their Journey from East to West by Helen Tse
- One for Sorrow: A John the Eunuch Mystery by Mary Reed and Eric Mayer
- The Road Home by Rose Tremain
- 2008
  - The Story of Lucy Gault by William Trevor
  - The Heartless Stone: A Journey Through the World of Diamonds, Deceit, and Desire by Tom Zoellner
  - **The Book Thief** by Mark Zusak
  - The Tapestries by Kien Nguyen
  - Bel Canto by Ann Patchett
  - **Five Skies** by Ron Carlson
  - The Samurai's Garden by Gail Tsukiyama
  - Kindred by Octavia Butler
  - **Runaway Grandma** by Ann McCauley
  - o The Blood of Flowers by Anita Amirrezvani
  - The Lady in the Palazzo: at Home in Umbria by Marlena De Blasi
- 2007
  - Love in the Driest Season: A Family Memoir by Neely Tucker
  - The Birth of Venus by Sarah Dunant
  - o The Brief History of the Dead by Kevin Brockmeier
  - Crow Lake by Mary Lawson Embers by Sandor Marai
  - o Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress by Dai Sijie
  - **Bold Spirit: Helga Estby's Forgotten Walk across Victorian America** by Linda Lawrence Hunt
  - **The Secret River** by Kate Grenville
  - The Last Town on Earth by Thomas Mullen
  - **The Splendor of Silence** by Indu Sundaresan
  - **Drowning in Honey** by Kate Hatfield
  - The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid by Bill Bryson