

Saint Mark Book Lovers - 2020 – 21 Season
3rd Wednesday of the Month at 1:00PM (except for July)

Month/Date	Genre/Leader	Book
July 07/22/2020 7:00 PM	Non-Fiction Memoir	<i>Waking Up White, and Finding Myself in the Story of Race, by Debby Irving</i> Personal Reflections on Racism & White Privilege. This book will be used as a vehicle to continue Saint Mark's discussion on, and actions to support, racial justice.
August 08/19/2020 1:00 PM	Historical Fiction	<i>The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek, by Kim Michele Richardson</i> Inspired by the true and historical blue-skinned people of Kentucky and the brave and dedicated Kentucky Pack Horse library service.
September 09/16/2020 1:00 PM	Fiction	<i>The Island of Sea Women, by Lisa See</i> <i>One Maryland - One Book for 2020.</i> Discussion will be sponsored all over Maryland, and the author will provide numerous presentations during the fall.
October 10/21/2020 1:00 PM	Memoir	<i>Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood, by Trevor Noah</i> Trevor Noah's unlikely path from apartheid South Africa to the desk of <i>The Daily Show</i> began with a criminal act punishable by five years in prison: his birth from a black mother and white father. A moving and searingly funny portrait of a boy making his way through a damaged world in a dangerous time, armed only with a keen sense of humor and a mother's unconventional, unconditional love.
November 11/18/2020 1:00 PM	Memoir	<i>The Yellow House, by Sarah M. Broom</i> A brilliant memoir, set in New Orleans, of place, class, race, the seeping rot of inequality, and the internalized shame that often follows. It is a transformative, deeply moving story from an unparalleled new voice of startling clarity, authority, and power.
December		HOLIDAYS! NO BOOK LOVERS MEETING
January 01/20/2021 1:00 PM	Fiction	<i>Mudbound, by Hillary Jordan</i> In Jordan's prize-winning debut, prejudice takes many forms, both subtle and brutal. It is 1946, and two young black men return from the war to work the land. But no matter the bravery in defense of the country, they are still considered less than a man in the Jim Crow South.
February 02/17/2021 1:00 PM	Memoir	<i>The Journal Keeper, by Phyllis Theroux</i> An openhearted, unflinchingly honest memoir of six years in Phyllis Theroux's life as she ages into her sixties. A natural storyteller, she touches on subjects that occupy us all: loss, loneliness, growing old, financial worries, spiritual growth, and caring for an aging parent.
March	Fiction	<i>This Tender Land: A Novel, by William Kent Krueger</i> In the summer of 1932, an orphan confined to the Lincoln Indian Training

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03/17/2021 1:00 PM	Tina Moulton	School, a pitiless place, is forced to flee after committing a terrible crime. He, his brother, their best friend and a brokenhearted little girl flee to find a place where they are safe. Over the course of one summer, these four orphans journey into the unknown and cross paths with others who are adrift, from struggling farmers and traveling faith healers to displaced families and lost souls of all kinds. This big-hearted epic that shows how the magnificent American landscape connects us all, haunts our dreams, and makes us whole.
April 04/21/2021 1:00 PM	Fiction	<i>Red at the Bone: A Novel</i>, by Jacqueline Woodson This taut and powerful new novel uncovers the role that history and community have played in the experiences, decisions, and relationships of families, and in the life of a new child. Woodson considers not just their ambitions and successes but also the costs, the tolls paid for striving to overcome expectations and escape the pull of history. It looks at the ways in which young people must so often make long-lasting decisions about their lives--even before they have begun to figure out who they are and what they want to be.
May 05/19/2021 1:00 PM	Non-Fiction	<i>Yellow Bird: Oil, Murder, and a Woman's Search for Justice in Indian Country</i>, By Sierra Crane Murdoch The gripping true story of a murder on an Indian reservation, and the unforgettable Arikara woman who becomes obsessed with solving it. Drawing on eight years of immersive investigation, Murdoch has produced a profound examination of the legacy of systematic violence inflicted on a tribal nation and a tale of extraordinary healing.
June 06/16/2021		Pot Luck Lunch – to pick next year's books

Waking Up White, and Finding Myself in the Story of Race

Washington, DC area independent bookstores (the first two are black owned)

- Loyalty Bookstore - \$19.99 <https://www.loyaltybookstores.com/>
- Solid State Books - \$18.39 <https://www.solidstatebooksdc.com/>
- Politics & Prose - \$19.99 <https://www.politics-prose.com/>