

Summer Beaver Reader List 2021/22

Each time you read one of these featured reads, let Ms. Chambers know so you can get the #BeaverReader respect and applause you deserve! Prizes in the fall too!



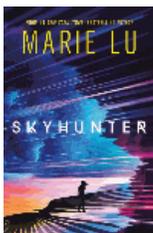
Sia Martinez and the Moonlit Beginning of Everything by Raquel Vasquez Gilliland- Sia Martinez's mother was deported to Mexico by ICE and disappeared in the Sonoran Desert trying to make it back to her American family; Sia believes that she was as-good-as murdered by ICE and the sheriff in their small Arizona town, and wants revenge against him and his son, Jeremy--but her search for the truth will uncover many more secrets than she counted on. (SF)



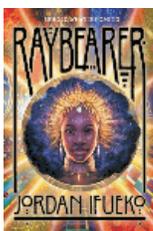
Chlorine Sky by Mahogany L. Browne- A gritty and heartbreaking novel-in-verse about broken promises, fast rumors, and when growing up means growing apart from your best friend. (POE/RF)



Furia by Yamile Saied Mendez- Seventeen-year-old Camila Hassan, a rising soccer star in Rosario, Argentina, dreams of playing professionally, in defiance of her fathers' wishes and at the risk of her budding romance with Diego. (Sports)



Skyhunter by Marie Lu-Talin is a Striker, a member of an elite fighting force that stands as the last defense for Mara, the only free nation in the world, but when a mysterious prisoner is brought from the front to Mara's capital, Talin senses there is more to him than meets the eye. (SF)



Raybearer by Jordan Ifueko- Raised in isolation, Tarisai yearns for the closeness she could have as one of the Crown Prince's Council of 11, but her mother, The Lady, has magically compelled Tarisai to kill the Crown Prince. (FAN)



Legendborn by Tracy Deonn- To discover the truth behind her mother's mysterious death, a teen girl infiltrates a magical secret society claiming to be the descendants of King Arthur and his knights. (FAN)



Aurora Rising and Aurora Burning by Jay Kristoff and Amie Kaufman-Told in separate voices, eighteen-year-old Tyler Jones, top graduate of Aurora Academy, and a group of misfits and troublemakers embark on missions with Auri, a stowaway from the distant past. (SF)



Punching the Air by Ibi Zoboi and Yusef Salaam- YA novel in verse about Amal who is wrongfully incarcerated. (RF/POE)



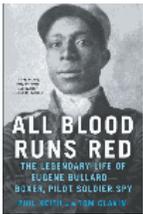
A Cuban Girl's Guide to Tea and Tomorrow by Laura Taylor Namee- Seventeen-year-old Lila Reyes, furious when her parents send her to the English countryside to recover from grief and heartbreak, unexpectedly falls in love with a teashop clerk--and England, itself. (ROM)



Throw Like a Girl by Sarah Henning- When high school junior Liv Rodriguez is kicked off her private school's softball team and loses her scholarship she must join her new school's football team to prove she can be a team player, all while falling for the star quarterback. (ROM)



I'm Not Dying with You Tonight by Kimberly Jones and Gilly Segal-Told from two viewpoints, Atlanta high school seniors Lena and Campbell, one black, one white, must rely on each other to survive after a football rivalry escalates into a riot. (RF)



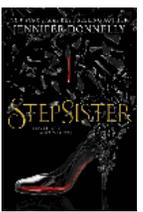
All Blood Runs Red by Phil Keith-A biography of Eugene Bullard, the first African American fighter pilot in history who later became a spy in the French Resistance and was an American civil rights pioneer. (NF)



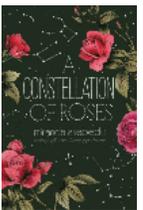
Ordinary Hazards by Nikki Grimes-Memoir in verse, Nikki Grimes shows how grace, wisdom, and the power of words can help a brave soul conquer the hazards - ordinary and extraordinary - of life. (NF)



Serpent & Dove by Shelby Mahurin-Louise Le Blanc fled her coven and took shelter in the city of Cesarine, forsaking all magic and living off whatever she could steal. The war between witches and Church is an ancient one, and Lou's most dangerous enemies bring a fate worse than fire. (FAN)



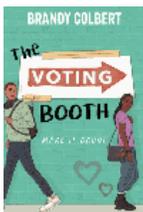
StepSister by Jennifer Donnelly -Isabelle is one of Cinderella's ugly stepsisters, who cut off her toes in an attempt to fit into the glass slipper; but there is more to her story than a maimed foot, for the Marquis de la Chance is about to offer her a choice and the opportunity to change her fate--there will be blood and danger, but also the possibility of redemption and triumph, and most of all the chance to find her true self. (FAN)



A Constellation of Roses by Miranda Asebedo -When she discovers long-lost relatives that have abilities like her own, Trix McCabe might have finally found somewhere she belongs, but then her past resurfaces and now she'll have to decide whether to take a chance on this new life or keep running. (RF)



Angel of Greenwood by Randi Pink -a historical YA novel that takes place during the Greenwood Massacre of 1921, in an area of Tulsa, OK, known as the "Black Wall Street. (HF)



The Voting Booth by Brandy Colbert-The first year they are eligible to vote, Marva and Duke meet at their polling place and, over the course of one crazy day, fall in love. (ROM)



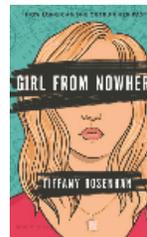
The Merciful Crow by Margaret Owen-Fie, a sixteen-year-old chieftain from a lowly cast of mercy-killers, must rely on her wits and bone magic to smuggle the crown prince of Sabor to safety. (FAN)



Black Kids by Christina Hammonds Reed- With the Rodney King riots closing in on high school senior Ashley and her family, the privileged bubble she has enjoyed, protecting her from the difficult realities most black people face, begins to crumble. (HF)



Michigan vs The Boys by Carrie S. Allen- After her girls' ice hockey team is cut for budget reasons, Michigan tries out for the boys' team, and earns a place on the starting lineup. But when she bests her teammates with her skills and her refusal to back down, hazing crosses the line into assault. (Sports)



Girl From Nowhere by Tiffany Rosenhan- For Sophia Hepworth, the terrors of living in dangerous places with her diplomat parents are nothing compared to facing American high school, but friendships and romance bloom just before her past catches up with her. (Action/Adventure)



Cemetery Boys by Aiden Thomas-Yadriel, a trans boy, summons the angry spirit of his high school's bad boy, and agrees to help him learn how he died, thereby proving himself a brujo, not a bruja, to his conservative family. (MYS)



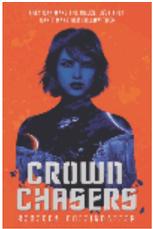
They Wish They Were Us by Jessica Goodman- At an exclusive prep school on Long Island, Jill Newman looks forward to her senior year as a member of the school's most elite clique, the Players, until new evidence surfaces about the murder of her close friend Shaila. (MYS)



I'll Be the One by Lyla Lee- Skye dreams of joining the glittering, intense world of K-Pop, and to do that, she's about to break all the rules that society, the media, and even her own mother have set for girls like her. (ROM)



Ship of Smoke and Steel by Django Wexler- Isoka, an eighteen-year-old ward boss in the great port city, Kahnzoka, is sent on an impossible mission to steal Soliton, a legendary ghost ship, or her sister will be killed. (FAN)



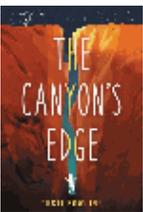
Crownchasers by Rebecca Coffindaffer- Alyssa has spent her whole life trying to outrun her family legacy, even leaving behind the Kingship and her uncle, the emperor, for a life of exploring. But when her dying uncle announces a crownchase--a search for the royal seal hidden in the empire that will determine the next ruler, she joins in. (Action/Adventure)



What I Carry by Jennifer Longo- In her final year in foster care, seventeen-year-old Muir tries to survive her senior year before aging out of the system. (RF)



The Companion by Katie Alender- Margot is lucky to have survived the horrible accident that killed her family. Then handpicked to be a companion to a prestigious families' silent, mysterious daughter, Agatha. Margot's bad dreams may have stopped when she came to live with Agatha - but the real nightmare has just begun. (HOR)

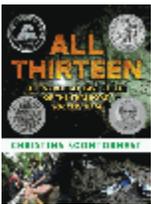


The Canyon's Edge by Dusti Bowling- A year after the death of her mother in a restaurant shooting, Nora is left struggling to stay alive when a climbing trip with her father goes terribly wrong. (Disaster/Survival)



Cracking the Bell by Geoff Herback- Isaiah loves football. In fact, football saved Isaiah's life, giving him structure and discipline after his sister's death tore his family apart. But when Isaiah gets

knocked out cold on the field, he learns there's a lot more to lose than football. (Sports)



All Thirteen by Christina Soontornvat – The cave rescue of the twelve young players of the Wild Boars soccer team and their coach in northern Thailand. (NF)



This Is My America by Kim Johnson- While writing letters to Innocence X, a justice-seeking project, asking them to help her father, an innocent black man on death row, teenaged Tracy takes on another case when her brother is accused of killing his white girlfriend. (MYS)



Sanctuary by Paola Mendoza- In 2032, when sixteen-year-old Vali's mother is detained by the Deportation Forces, Vali must flee Vermont with her little brother, Ernie, hoping to reach their Tía Luna in the sanctuary state of California. (DYS)



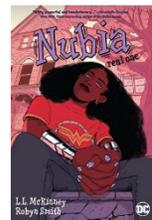
The Black Friend by Frederick Joseph- Race-related anecdotes from his past, he explains why they were hurtful and how he might handle things now. Each chapter features the voice of at least one artist or activist (NF)



Umbrella Academy by Gerard Way and Gabriel Ba- In an inexplicable worldwide event, forty-seven extraordinary children were spontaneously born to women who'd previously shown no signs of pregnancy. Millionaire inventor Reginald Hargreeves adopted seven of the children; when asked why, his only explanation was, "To save the world." (FAN)



Sara by Garth Ennis- Nazi Occupied Russia, 1942. Fight Hard. Shoot Straight. Do Not Let Them Take You Alive! (WAR)



Nubia: Real One by L.L. McKinney- As a baby Nubia showcased Amazon-like strength by pushing over a tree to rescue her neighbor's cat. But despite her having similar abilities, the world has no problem telling her that she's no Wonder Woman. And even if she were, they wouldn't want her. (FAN)



Mooncakes by Suzanne Walker- Nova Huang knows more about magic than your average teen witch. She works at her grandmothers' bookshop, where she helps them loan out spell books and investigate any supernatural occurrences in their New England town. (ROM)

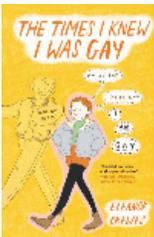


Something is Killing the Children by James Tynion IV and Werther Dell'Edera— Most children never return, but the ones that do have terrible stories-impossible stories of terrifying creatures that live in the shadows. Their only hope is Erica Slaughter. She kills monsters. That is all she does, and she bears the cost because it must be done. (HOR)



White Bird: A Wonder Story by R. J. Palacio- The story of Julian's Grandma's childhood as she, a Jewish girl, was hidden by a family in a Nazi-occupied French village during World War II and

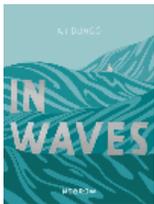
how the boy she once shunned became her savior and best friend. (HF)



The Times I Knew I Was Gay by Eleanor Crewes- An illustrated account of the author's adventures in coming out and coming of age in London. (NF)



Displacement by Kiki Hughes- Kiku is on vacation in San Francisco when suddenly she finds herself displaced to the 1940s Japanese-American internment camp that her late grandmother, Ernestina, was forcibly relocated to during World War II. These displacements keep occurring until Kiku finds herself stuck back in time. (HF)



In Waves by A.J. DUNGO - surfer and illustrator AJ DUNGO remembers his late partner, her battle with cancer, and their shared love of surfing that brought them strength throughout their time together. (ROM)



Flamer by Mike Curato- Aiden Navarro is away at camp and everyone's going through changes--but for Aiden, the stakes feel higher. As he navigates friendships, deals with bullies, and spends time with Elias (a boy he can't stop thinking about), he finds himself on a path of self-discovery and acceptance (RF)

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