

Arapahoe High School Library

New Books – August 2015

Below is a list of newly acquired books for the Arapahoe High School Library. The titles are grouped by genre or type and listed alphabetically by title. Brief summaries, along with awards or distinctions as well as series notations are provided.

A number of titles are now available digitally and may be read using the Follett BryteWave App. More information about accessing titles digitally can be found at the Library's website (<http://lps2.it/ahslibrary>).

Just a note about the awards:

- **Alex Awards** are given to ten books written for adults that have special appeal to young adults, ages 12 through 18.
- **Michael L. Printz Award** annually honors the best book written for teens, based entirely on its literary merit, each year.
- The Young Adult Library Services Association (a division of the American Library Association) develops yearly the **Best Fiction for Young Adults** list.
- The **Teens' Top Ten** is a "teen choice" list, where teens nominate and choose their favorite books of the previous year.

Fiction – Comedy, Drama, Realistic, Romance



100 Sideways Miles by Andrew Smith

Finn Easton, sixteen and epileptic, struggles to feel like more than just a character in his father's cult-classic novels with the help of his best friend, Cade Hernandez, and first love, Julia, until Julia moves away.

*Best Fiction for Young Adults 2015 selection

****Available in print and ebook formats.**

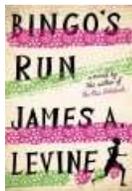


And We Stay by Jenny Hubbard

Sent to an Amherst, Massachusetts, boarding school after her ex-boyfriend shoots himself, seventeen-year-old Emily expresses herself through poetry as she relives their relationship, copes with her guilt, and begins to heal.

*2015 Printz Honor Book

****Available in print and ebook formats.**



Bingo's Run by James Levine

Kenyan teenager and drug runner Bingo, having witnessed a murder and been sent to an orphanage by his boss for his protection, finds his life changing and begins to understand the power of art.

*2015 Alex Award winner

****Available in print and ebook formats.**



Carnival at Bray by Jessie Foley

When sixteen-year-old Maggie Lynch must relocate to a tiny seaside town in Ireland, she relies on care packages from her rocker uncle Kevin, but when she experiences first love and a death, Maggie heads off to explore the seedy side of Dublin, and then Rome.

*2015 Printz Honor Book

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Dime by E. R. Frank

Fourteen-year-old Dime, a foster child in Newark, New Jersey, finds love and family as a prostitute, but when her pimp rejects her for a new girl, will Dime have the strength to leave? A resource list about human trafficking is provided at the end of the book including information for victims and survivors.

****Available in print and ebook formats.**

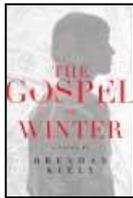


Fat Boy vs the Cheerleaders by Geoff Herbach

When the high school cheerleading team takes over a soda vending machine's funds, which were previously collected by the pep band, Gabe Johnson, an overweight "band geek" tired of being called names and looked down on, declares war.

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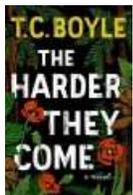
****Available in print and ebook formats.**



Gospel of Winter by Brendan Kiely

Managing the challenges of his fractured family by taking Adderall, sneaking drinks, and confiding in an abusive priest, sixteen-year-old Aidan finds support from new friends including a crush, a wild girl, and a swim-team captain with his own secrets.

****Available in print and ebook formats.**



Harder They Come by T. C. Boyle

Set in contemporary Northern California, the book explores the volatile connections between three damaged people—an aging ex-Marine and Vietnam veteran, his psychologically unstable son, and the son's paranoid, much older lover—as they careen towards an explosive confrontation.

****Available in print and ebook formats.**



Hit by Melvin Burgess

There is a new drug on the mean streets of Manchester which promises the most intense week of your life, and then you are dead—and after he watches a pop star die on stage, Adam thinks that his own life is so miserable that he might just as well try it.



Hit Count by Chris Lynch

Arlo Brodie loves being at the heart of the action on the football field, and while his dad cheers him on, his mother quotes head injury statistics and refuses to watch, but Arlo's winning plays, the cheering crowds, and the adrenaline rush are enough to convince him that everything is OK, in spite of the pain, the pounding, the dizziness, and the confusion.

****Available in print and ebook formats.**



Hold Me Closer: The Tiny Cooper Story by David Levithan

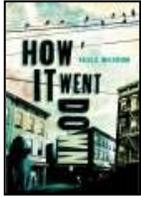
Larger-than-life Tiny Cooper (from Levithan's book *Will Grayson, Will Grayson*) finally gets to tell his story, from his fabulous birth and childhood to his quest for true love and his infamous parade of ex-boyfriends, in the form of a musical he wrote.

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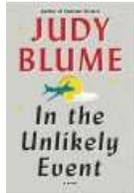
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How It Went Down by Kekla Magoon

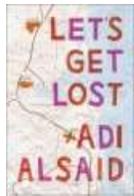
When sixteen-year-old Tariq Johnson is shot to death, his community is thrown into an uproar because Tariq was black and the shooter, Jack Franklin, is white, and in the aftermath everyone has something to say, but no two accounts of the events agree.

*Best Fiction for Young Adults 2015 selection



In the Unlikely Event by Judy Blume

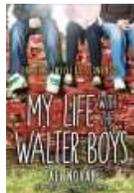
In 1987, Miri Ammerman returns to her hometown of Elizabeth, New Jersey, to attend a commemoration of the worst year of her life. Thirty-five years earlier, when Miri was fifteen, and in love for the first time, a succession of airplanes fell from the sky, leaving a community reeling. Against this backdrop of actual events that Blume experienced in the early 1950s, when airline travel was new and exciting and everyone dreamed of going somewhere, she paints a vivid portrait of a particular time and place—Nat King Cole singing “Unforgettable,” Elizabeth Taylor haircuts, young (and not-so-young) love, explosive friendships, A-bomb hysteria, rumors of Communist threat. And a young journalist who makes his name reporting tragedy. Through it all, one generation reminds another that life goes on.



Let's Get Lost by Adi Alsaid

During her cross-country adventures following the tragic death of her family, Leila touches the lives of four strangers—Hudson, Bree, Elliot, and Sonia. While forever changing the lives of these four, Leila also discovers an important truth about herself

*2015 YALSA Teen's Top Ten Pick nominee

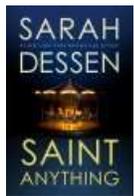


My Life with the Walter Boys by Ali Novak

Devastated when her parents are killed in a car accident, sixteen-year old Jackie moves from New York City to Colorado to live with her mother's best friend, who has twelve children, including two boys who start to show an interest in Jackie that goes beyond brotherly.

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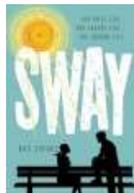
***Available in print and ebook formats.*



Saint Anything by Sarah Dessen

***Available in print and ebook formats.*

Sydney's charismatic older brother, Peyton, has always been the center of attention in the family but when he is sent to jail, Sydney struggles to find her place at home and the world until she meets the Chathams, including gentle, protective Mac, who makes her feel seen for the first time.



Sway by Kat Spears

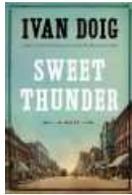
High school senior Jesse Alderman, or "Sway," as he's known, could sell hell to a bishop. He also specializes in getting things people want— term papers, a date with the prom queen, fake IDs. He has few close friends and he never EVER lets emotions get in the way. For Jesse, life is simply a series of business transactions. But when Ken Foster, captain of the football team, leading candidate for homecoming king, and all-around jerk, hires Jesse to help him win the heart of the angelic Bridget Smalley, Jesse finds himself feeling all sorts of things. While following Bridget and learning the intimate details of her life, he falls helplessly in love for the very first time.

*Best Fiction for Young Adults 2015 selection

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Sweet Thunder by Ivan Doig

In the winter of 1920, a quirky bequest draws Morrie Morgan back to Butte, Montana, from a year-long honeymoon with his bride, Grace. But the mansion bestowed by a former boss upon the itinerant charmer promises to be less windfall than money pit. And the town itself, with its polyglot army of miners struggling to extricate themselves from the stranglehold of the ruthless Anaconda Copper Mining Company, seems—like the couple's fast-diminishing finances—on the verge of implosion.

Book three of the Morrie Morgan series.



Tease by Amanda Maciel

A teenage girl faces criminal charges for bullying after a classmate commits suicide

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This One Summer by Mariko Tamaki

In this graphic format novel, Rose and her parents go on vacation to Awago Beach like they do every year, but this year Rose's mom and dad won't stop fighting and she turns to her friend Windy for help dealing with her troubled family life.

*2015 Printz Honor Book

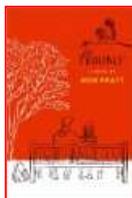


To All the Boys I've Loved Before by Jenny Han

Lara Jean writes love letters to all the boys she has loved and then hides them in a hatbox until one day those letters are accidentally sent.

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Trouble by Non Pratt

When Aaron willingly signs on to be the pretend father of Hannah's unborn baby, he is looking for redemption from a past that has a stranglehold on him. Hannah, more simply, needs support in the absence of the real father, but she'll discover so much more

*Best Fiction for Young Adults 2015 selection

***Available in print and ebook formats.*



Water Knife by Paolo Bacigalupi

The American Southwest has been decimated by drought. Nevada and Arizona skirmish over dwindling shares of the Colorado River, while California watches, deciding if it should just take the whole river for itself. Into the fray steps Las Vegas water knife Angel Velasquez. Detective, assassin, and spy, Angel "cuts" water for the Southern Nevada Water Authority and its boss, Catherine Case, ensuring that her lush, luxurious arcology developments can bloom in the desert and that anyone who challenges her is left in the gutted-suburban dust. When rumors of a game-changing water source surface in Phoenix, Angel is sent to investigate

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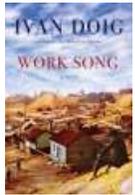
Fiction – Comedy, Drama, Realistic, Romance continued...



Wolf in White Van by John Darnielle

Isolated by a disfiguring injury since the age of seventeen, Sean Phillips crafts imaginary worlds for strangers to play in. As the creator of "Trace Italian" –a text-based, role-playing game played through the mail– Sean guides players from around the world through his intricately imagined terrain, which they navigate and explore, turn by turn, seeking sanctuary in a ravaged, savage future America. Lance and Carrie are high school students from Florida, and are explorers of the Trace. But when they take their play into the real world, disaster strikes, and Sean is called onto account for it.

*2015 Alex Award winner



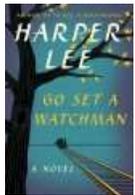
Work Song by Ivan Doig

Morrie Morgan looks for a job in Butte, Montana while on the run from Chicago gangsters, and as he tries to get the attention of Grace Faraday, an attractive widow who runs the boardinghouse where he resides, he learns that the local mining company is trying to force her off her property through dubious methods.

Book two of the Morrie Morgan series.

****Available in print and ebook formats.**

Historical Fiction



Go Set a Watchman by Harper Lee

Maycomb, Alabama. Twenty-six-year-old Jean Louise Finch—"Scout"—returns home from New York City to visit her aging father, Atticus. Set against the backdrop of the civil rights tensions and political turmoil that were transforming the South, Jean Louise's homecoming turns bittersweet when she learns disturbing truths about her close-knit family, the town, and the people dearest to her.

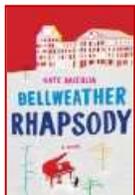


Lies We Tell Ourselves by Robin Talley

In 1959 Virginia, Linda Hairston, who has been taught all her life that the races should be kept "separate but equal," must work on a school project with Sarah Dunbar, one of the first African-American students at the all-white Jefferson High School.

*2015 YALSA Teen's Top Ten Pick nominee

Mystery/Suspense/Thriller



Bellweather Rhapsody by Kate Racculia

A young music prodigy goes missing from a hotel room that was the site of an infamous murder-suicide fifteen years earlier, renewing trauma for a bridesmaid who witnessed the first crime and rallying an eccentric cast of characters during a snowstorm that traps everyone on the grounds.

*2015 Alex Award winner

****Available in print and ebook formats.**



Bunker Diary by Kevin Brooks

Sixteen-year-old Linus Weems, a street person since leaving his wealthy father's home, is kidnapped and taken to an underground bunker where he is soon joined by five others, ranging in age from nine to seventy, who are alternately cared for and tortured by their unseen captor.

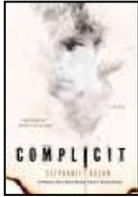
*2014 Carnegie Medal winner (British literary award for children's and young adult outstanding new book)

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Mystery/Suspense/Thriller continued...



Complicit by Stephanie Kuehn

Jamie's mother was murdered when he was six, about seven years later his sister Cate was incarcerated for burning down a neighbor's barn, and now Jamie, fifteen, learns that Cate has been released and is coming back for him, blaming him for all the bad things that led to her arrest.

*Best Fiction for Young Adults 2015 selection

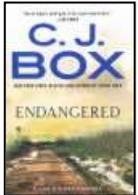


Confessions by Kanae Minato

Her pupils murdered her daughter. Now she will have her revenge. After calling off her engagement in the wake of a tragic revelation, Yuko Moriguchi had nothing to live for except her only child, four-year-old child, Manami. Now, following an accident on the grounds of the middle school where she teaches, Yuko has given up and tendered her resignation. But first she has one last lecture to deliver. She tells a story that upends everything her students ever thought they knew about two of their peers...

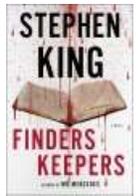
*2015 Alex Award winner

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Endangered by C. J. Box

She was gone. Joe Pickett had good reason to dislike Dallas Cates, even if he was a rodeo champion, and now he has even more—Joe's eighteen-year-old ward, April, has run off with him. And then comes even worse news: The body of a girl has been found in a ditch along the highway—alive, but just barely, the victim of blunt force trauma. It is April, and the doctors aren't sure if she'll recover. Cates denies having anything to do with it—says she ran away from him, too—and there's evidence that points to another man. But Joe knows in his gut who's responsible. What he doesn't know is the kind of danger he's about to encounter.



Finders Keepers by Stephen King

Morris Bellamy is a fan of author John Rothstein and his beloved character Jimmy Gold, but livid that Rothstein hasn't published in decades and now has sold the character rights to Jimmy Gold to an advertising firm, Bellamy kills Rothstein, robs him, and finds notebooks containing the notes for another Jimmy Gold novel in the process. He is sent to jail for another crime, however, and the notebooks remain hidden for decades until they are found by thirteen-year-old Pete Saubers. Now, Pete and his family are in Bellamy's crosshairs when the psychopath is released after thirty-five years in prison.

Sequel to Mr. Mercedes.

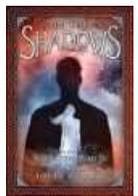
**Available in print and ebook formats.



Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins

Rachel takes the same commuter train every morning... past a stretch of cozy suburban homes, and stops at the signal that allows her to daily watch the same couple breakfasting on their deck. She's even started to feel like she knows them... Their life—as she sees it—is perfect. Not unlike the life she recently lost. And then she sees something shocking. It's only a minute until the train moves on, but it's enough. Now everything's changed.

Unable to keep it to herself, Rachel offers what she knows to the police, and becomes inextricably entwined in what happens next, as well as in the lives of everyone involved. Has she done more harm than good?



In the Shadows by Kiersten White and Jim Di Bartolo

From the remarkable imagination of acclaimed artist Jim Di Bartolo and the exquisite pen of bestselling author Kiersten White comes a spellbinding story of love, mystery, and dark conspiracy, told in an alternating narrative of words and pictures.

*Best Fiction for Young Adults 2015 selection

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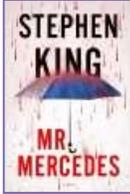


Jackaby by William Ritter

Newly arrived in 1892 New England, Abigail Rook becomes assistant to R. F. Jackaby, an investigator of the unexplained with the ability to see supernatural beings, and she helps him delve into a case of serial murder which, Jackaby is convinced, is due to a nonhuman creature.

*Best Fiction for Young Adults 2015 selection

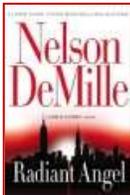
***Available in print and ebook formats.*



Mr. Mercedes by Stephen King

Months after a driver plows through the masses lined up at a job fair in a stolen Mercedes, killing eight and wounding fifteen before escaping, retired cop Bill Hodges is haunted by the unsolved crime. When he receives a letter from someone claiming to be the perpetrator and promising a deadlier attack, Hodges becomes determined to prevent another tragedy.

***Available in print and ebook formats.*



Radiant Angel by Nelson DeMille

After a showdown with the notorious Yemeni terrorist known as The Panther, John Corey has left the Anti-Terrorist Task Force and returned home to New York City, taking a job with the Diplomatic Surveillance Group. Although Corey's new assignment with the DSG—surveilling Russian diplomats working at the U.N. Mission—is thought to be "a quiet end," he is more than happy to be out from under the thumb of the FBI and free from the bureaucracy of office life. But Corey realizes something the U.S. government doesn't: The all-too-real threat of a newly resurgent Russia.

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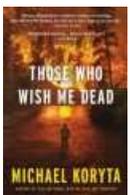


She is Not Invisible by Marcus Sedgwick

A blind London teenager and her younger brother travel to New York to find their missing father, using clues from his notebook.

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Those Who Wish Me Dead by Michael Koryta

When 13-year-old Jace Wilson witnesses a brutal murder, he's plunged into a new life, issued a false identity and hidden in a wilderness skills program for troubled teens. The plan is to get Jace off the grid while police find the two killers. The result is the start of a nightmare. The killers, known as the Blackwell Brothers, are slaughtering anyone who gets in their way in a methodical quest to reach him. The clock is ticking, the mountains are burning, and those who wish Jace Wilson dead are no longer far behind.

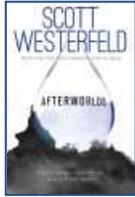
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Science Fiction/Fantasy



Afterworlds by Scott Westerfeld

In alternating chapters, eighteen-year-old Darcy Patel navigates the New York City publishing world and Lizzie, the heroine of Darcy's novel, slips into the "Afterworld" to survive a terrorist attack and becomes a spirit guide, as both face many challenges and both fall in love.

*Best Fiction for Young Adults 2015 selection

****Available in print and ebook formats.**



Bane Chronicles by Cassandra Clare

A collection of eleven short stories, previously published online, that illuminate the life of the enigmatic, flashy, and flamboyant High Warlock of Brooklyn, Magnus Bane, a character in The Mortal Instruments series.

*2015 YALSA Teen's Top Ten Pick nominee

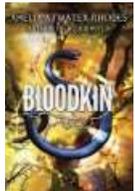
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Beta by Rachel Cohn

On a futuristic island paradise where humans are served by enslaved clones, a sixteen-year-old clone named Elysia seeks her own freedom

Book one of the Beta series.



Bloodkin by Amelia Atwater-Rhodes

When a shapeshifter/vampire nation is charged with a crime against Midnight that sixteen-year-old Kadee and her friend Vance played a hand in, Kadee feels compelled to return to the Shantel forest where she must confront her past and the decisions she has made in the pursuit of freedom.

Book two of Maeve'ra trilogy.

****Available in print and ebook formats.**



Devil's Intern by Donna Hosie

Seventeen-year-old Mitchell discovers a time-travel device that will allow him to escape his internship in Hell's accounting office and return to Earth, but his plans to alter the circumstances of his own death take an unexpected turn when his three closest friends in Hell insist on accompanying him back to the land of the living.

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Earth Girl by Janet Edwards

Abandoned on Earth because of her inability to survive on other planets, Jarra crafts a fake background for herself to join a class of norms who are excavating the dangerous ruins of the old cities.

*2014 YALSA Teen's Top Ten Pick

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Ensnared by A. G. Howard

Alyssa travels to Wonderland once again to free both her mother and Jeb, and to set right all that's gone wrong.

Book three of the Splintered series.

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Science Fiction/Fantasy continued...



Evil Librarian by Michelle Knudsen

Cynthia Rothschild has discovered that the new, very good looking librarian is a demon and it is up to her to save her best friend Anne, who has become a library monitor, and the rest of the school from the evil Mr. Gabriel.

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Firefight by Brandon Sanderson

David and the Reckoners continue their fight against the Epics, humans with superhuman powers, except they may have met their match in Regalia, a High Epic who resides in Babylon Restored, the city formerly known as the borough of Manhattan.

*Book two of the Reckoners series

***Available in print and ebook formats.*



Forever Song by Julie Kagawa

Allie will do anything to destroy psychopathic vampire Sarren, who murdered Zeke, and she, her creator Kanin, and her blood brother, Jackal must protect, at any cost, the last vampire-free zone on Earth, Eden.

*Book three of the Blood of Eden series



Free to Fall by Lauren Miller

In a near-future world where everyone is controlled by their smartphones, sixteen-year-old Rory Vaughn suddenly begins listening to the voice within—which kids are taught to ignore—and discovers a terrible plot at the heart of the corporation that makes the devices.

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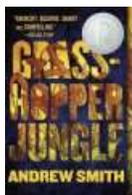


Glory O'Brien's History of the Future by A. S. King

As her high school graduation draws near, Glory O'Brien begins having powerful and terrifying visions of the future as she struggles with her long-buried grief over her mother's suicide.

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Grasshopper Jungle: A History by Andrew Smith

Austin Szerba narrates the end of humanity as he and his best friend Robby accidentally unleash an army of giant, unstoppable bugs and uncover the secrets of a decades-old experiment gone terribly wrong.

*2015 Printz Honor Book

***Available in print and ebook formats.*



Half Bad by Sally Green

In modern-day England, where witches live alongside humans, Nathan, son of a White witch and the most powerful Black witch, must escape captivity before his seventeenth birthday and receive the gifts that will determine his future.

Book one of the Half Bad trilogy.

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Half Wild by Sally Green

In a modern-day England where two warring factions of witches live amongst humans, seventeen-year-old Nathan has come into his own unique magical Gift, but he is on the run with the Hunters close behind, and they will stop at nothing until they have captured Nathan and destroyed his father.

Book two of the Half Bad trilogy.

****Available in print and ebook formats.**



Heart of Betrayal by Mary Pearson

Following the dramatic and tragic ending of *The Kiss of Deception*, Princess Lia finds herself incarcerated in the walled city, Venda, where she is surrounded by her country's enemies. Seduced and betrayed by Kaden, now revealed as the Assassin who was sent to kill her, and tormented by the Komizar, the leader of the city, her only ally appears to be Rafe, the prince she ran away from in order to prevent a wedding neither of them wanted.

Book two of the Remnant Chronicles.

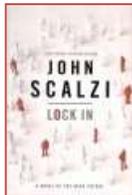


Kiss of Deception by Mary Pearson

On the morning of her wedding, Princess Lia flees to a distant village. She settles into a new life, intrigued when two mysterious and handsome strangers arrive –and unaware that one is the jilted prince and the other an assassin sent to kill her. Deception abounds, and Lia finds herself on the brink of unlocking perilous secrets – even as she finds herself falling in love.

Book one of the Remnant Chronicles.

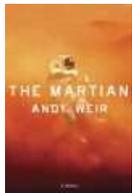
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Lock In by John Scalzi

Not too long from today, a new, highly contagious virus makes its way across the globe. Most who get sick experience nothing worse than flu, fever and headaches. But for the unlucky one percent –and nearly five million souls in the United States alone– the disease causes "Lock In": Victims fully awake and aware, but unable to move or respond to stimulus. The disease affects young, old, rich, poor, people of every color and creed. The world changes to meet the challenge.

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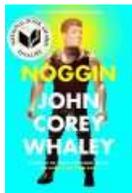


Martian by Andy Weir

Astronaut Mark Watney, having been stranded on Mars during a dust storm, relies on his ingenuity and engineering skills to stay alive and try to contact NASA.

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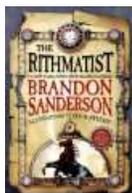


Noggin by John Whaley

After dying at age sixteen, Travis Coates' head was removed and frozen for five years before being attached to another body, and now the old Travis and the new must find a way to coexist while figuring out changes in his relationships.

*Best Fiction for Young Adults 2015 selection

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Rithmatist by Brandon Sanderson

As Wild Chalkings threaten the American Isles and Rithmatists are humanity's only defense, Joel can only watch as Rithmatist students learn the magical art that he would do anything to practice.

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New Books – August 2015

Science Fiction/Fantasy continued...



Rogue by Julie Kagawa

Ember Hill left the dragon organization Talon to join the rebel dragon Cobalt and his crew, but Ember is unable to forget about Garret Xavier Sebastian, the human who saved her from a Talon assassin, knowing it would mean his death. Ember, determined to save Garret from execution, must convince Cobalt to help her in her assault on the Order of St. George's headquarters, where she will be opposed by her own brother.

Book two of the Talon series.



Splintered by A. G. Howard

A descendant of the inspiration for "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," sixteen-year-old Alyssa Gardner fears she is mentally ill like her mother until she finds that Wonderland is real and, if she passes a series of tests to fix Alice's mistakes, she may save her family from their curse.

Book one of the Splintered series.

*Best Fiction for Young Adults 2015 selection

****Available in print and ebook formats.**



Steelheart by Brandon Sanderson

At age eight, David watched as his father was killed by an Epic, a human with superhuman powers, and now, ten years later, he joins the Reckoners –the only people who are trying to kill the Epics and end their tyranny.

Book one of the Reckoner's series.

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Talon by Julie Kagawa

Long ago, dragons were hunted to near extinction by the Order of St. George, a legendary society of dragon slayers. Hiding in human form and growing their numbers in secret, the dragons of Talon have become strong and cunning, and they are positioned to take over the world with humans none the wiser.

Book one of the Talon series.



Unhinged by A. G. Howard

Life gets complicated once again for teenaged Alyssa when her mother returns home from an asylum and the mysterious Morpheus tempts Alyssa with another dangerous quest in the dark, challenging Wonderland.

Book two of the Splintered series.

*Best Fiction for Young Adults 2015 selection



Zom-B Bride by Darren Shan

B Smith considers making a sacrifice far greater and more surreal than any she has conceived before when she is reunited with the killer clown, Mr. Dowling, who desperately wants B as his partner in crime.



Zom-B Family by Darren Shan

Now a prisoner of the most heinous survivors of the human race, B finds herself at the mercy of her enemies and discovers the fate of her parents and friend Vinyl, calling into question how much she is willing to sacrifice in the name of justice.

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Biography/Memoir



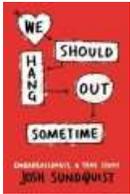
Terrorist's Son: A Story of Choice by Zak Ebrahim

921 EBRAHIM

The author, the son of a terrorist, discusses his childhood growing up in America and explores the psychological aspects of terrorism.

*2015 Alex Award winner

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We Should Hang Out Sometime by Josh Sundquist

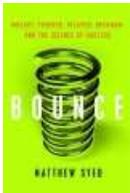
921 SUNDQUIST

At the age of twenty-five, Josh Sundquist, who had Ewing's sarcoma as a child and is now a Paralympic ski racer, looks back to try to understand why he has never had a steady girlfriend.

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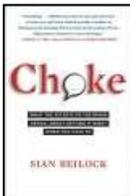
Nonfiction – Motivational/Self-Improvement



Bounce by Matthew Syed

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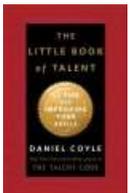
Backed by cutting-edge scientific research and case studies, Syed shatters long-held myths about meritocracy, talent, performance, and the mind. He explains why some people thrive under pressure and others choke, and weighs the value of innate ability against that of practice, hard work, and will.



Choke by Sian Beilock

153.9 BEI

Explores the science behind success and failure, describing the brain and body's response to each, and discusses how understanding these processes can help people become more successful.

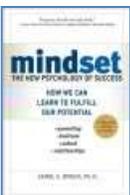


Little Book of Talent by Daniel Coyle

153.9 COY

Contains fifty-two methods to improve skills in sports, music, art, math, and business.

****Available in print and ebook formats.**



Mindset: The New Psychology of Success by Carol Dweck

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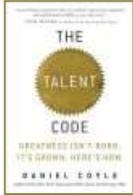
Reveals how personal mindsets affect and control every aspect of one's life and offers advice on how to promote success and personal fulfillment.

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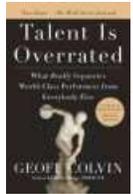


Talent Code by Daniel Coyle

153.9 COY

Contends that high levels of myelin in the brain result in a person's ability to acquire and excel at certain skills and offers advice on using coaching, practice, and motivation to increase the brain matter.

*****Available in print and ebook formats.***



Talent is Overrated by Geoff Colvin

153.9 COY

The author debunks the myth that some people are born with innate talent, and maintains that the secret to exceptional performance in any field depends on how hard the individual challenges himself.

*****Available in print and ebook formats.***