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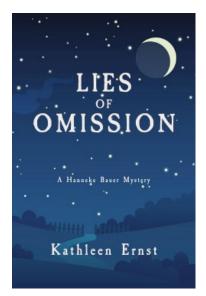
Read a book and create art inspired by that book. Meet to share your impressions of the written work, show your art and describe your creative process. For all adults no matter your perceived level of talent or preferred medium. Meet the fourth Saturday every other month. New members always welcome!



February 22: Before the Coffee Gets Cold

by Toshikazu Kawaguchi (magical realism)

In a small back alley of Tokyo, there is a cafe that has served coffee for more than 100 years. Legend says that this shop offers something else besides coffee—the chance to travel back in time. Over the course of one summer, four customers visit the cafe in the hopes of making that journey. But time travel isn't so simple, and there are rules—the trip can last only as long as it takes for the coffee to get cold.



April 26: Lies of Omission

by Kathleen Ernst (mystery)

Historical curator Chloe Ellefson is tasked with researching a 19th-century Norwegian immigrant family, the Kjoses, and their connection to a local historic site. As she digs deeper, she discovers discrepancies and hidden truths about the Kjos family, their land, and a long-buried crime. The narrative shifts between the present day and the past, revealing the consequences of choices made long ago.



June 28: The Sweetness of Forgetting by Kristin Harmel (fiction)

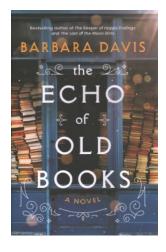
Bakery owner Hope McKenna-Smith, a divorced mother to a surly preteen daughter, is unexpectedly called upon by her aging grandmother. With a long-hidden secret to reveal, her grandmother sends Hope on a life-altering journey across the globe—one that will change everything she thought she knew about herself and her family.



August 23: The Accidental Further Adventures of the Hundred-year-old Man

by Jonas Jonasson (fiction)

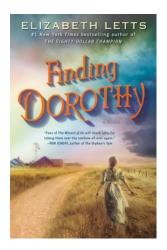
It all begins with a hot-air balloon trip and three bottles of champagne. But the ride results in a diplomatic crisis of epic proportions when 100-year-old Allan Karlsson and his sidekick Julius land in the sea and are rescued by a ship harboring contraband uranium on a mission for Kim Jong-un.



October 25: The Echo of Old Books

by Barbara Davis (mystery)

Rare-book dealer Ashlyn Greer has a unique gift: she can sense the emotional imprints left by a book's previous owners. When she discovers two unpublished volumes detailing a tragic romance, Ashlyn becomes obsessed. Each book contains conflicting accounts from the authors, and hints at a decades-old mystery. As Ashlyn digs deeper she uncovers a trail of betrayal and heartbreak.



December 13: Finding Dorothy

by Elizabeth Letts (historical fiction)

The story reimagines the creation of *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* through the eyes of L. Frank Baum's resilient wife, Maud. Her difficult life on the Dakota prairie not only inspires her husband's beloved tale but also fuels her advocacy for an exploited Judy Garland.