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Mt Laurel Book Club - Fall 2023





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Mt Laurel Library Book Club usually meets on the first Thursday of each month at 1 pm and 7 pm. Book selections are nominated by members every six months. If you have any questions, call the library at 205-991-1660 or send us an email at mtlaurel@shelbycounty-al.org.



Stars of Alabama Sean Dietrich

August 3, 1 pm and 7 pm

In this heartfelt tale about enduring hope amid the suffering of the Great Depression, Sean Dietrich—also known as Sean of the South—weaves together a tale featuring a cast of characters ranging from a child preacher, a teenage healer, and two migrant workers who give everything they have for their chosen family.



Solito Javier Zamora September 7, 1 pm and 7 pm

A memoir as gripping as it is

moving, Solito provides an immediate and intimate account not only of a treacherous and nearimpossible journey, but also of the miraculous kindness and love delivered at the most unexpected moments. Solito is Javier Zamora's story, but it's also the story of millions of others who had no choice but to leave home.



The Violin Conspiracy Brendan Slocumb

October 5, 1 pm and 7 pm

Ray McMillian is a Black classical musician on the rise—undeterred by the pressure and prejudice of the classical music world—when a shocking theft sends him on a desperate quest to recover his great-great-grandfather's heirloom violin on the eve of the most prestigious musical competition in the world.



Three Sisters Heather Morris

November 2, 1 pm and 7 pm Against all odds, three Slovakian s

Against all odds, three Slovakian sisters have survived years of imprisonment in the most notorious death camp in Nazi Germany: Auschwitz. Livia, Magda, and Cibi have clung together, nearly died from starvation and overwork, and the brutal whims of the guards in this place of horror. And this is where the story begins. From there, the three sisters travel to Israel, to their new home, but the battle for freedom takes on new forms.



The Candy House Jennifer Egan December 7, 1 pm and 7 pm

The Candy House opens with the staggeringly brilliant Bix Bouton, whose company, Mandala, is a complete success. Bix is forty, with four kids, restless, and desperate for a new idea, when he stumbles into a conversation group, mostly Columbia professors, one of whom is experimenting with downloading or "externalizing" memory. Within a decade, Bix's new technology, "Own Your Unconscious"—which allows you

access to every memory you've ever had, and to

share your memories in exchange for access to the memories of others—has seduced multitudes.

Let us know what books you'd like to read in 2024! Call, email or stop by the library.