



Highland Beach Library

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Hours

Mon - Thu	10 am - 8 pm
Friday	10 am - 4:30 pm
Saturday	9 am - 1 pm

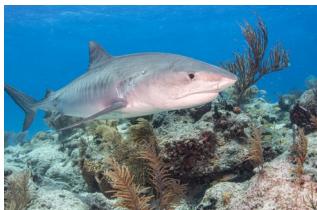
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Choosing books for your book club? Reminder that we usually only have one or two copies of a title, so wait lists can be long. Also be aware that books that are still on the Best Seller list are usually not available in paperback and therefore, more expensive if you want to buy your own copy. We are happy to check on paperback availability for you. Also, titles are sometimes available as e-books via Libby or cloudLibrary.

If you pass a book along to a friend, make sure they are aware of the due date to avoid fines on your account.

Think you have lost a Library book? In addition to looking under your bed or under you car seats, check your condo's library (if there is one) in case it was accidentally returned there.

Art Exhibit - Meet the Artists Reception Wednesday January 10, 2024 5-7pm "Out of the Blue"



Gary Rose - Photography
Adrienne Walker - Watercolor & Acrylic



Now available for your daily enjoyment!



PROGRAMS FOR KIDS



Small Fry Story Time plus Crafts

Wednesdays at 4:30, Ages 4 and up

Create a love of reading with stories that captivate the imagination followed by crafts that encourage originality and help develop fine motor skills.



Toddler Time: Stories and Rhymes

Saturdays at 10:30, Ages 2 and 3

Introducing stories that open windows to the world along with new and classic songs.



Take home craft available upon request: Bookmark



Registration for programs is appreciated. Email lladner@highlandbeach.us

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A "paint by number" with stickers is hanging in the children's room.

Check the posted color code and add a few stickers to the poster on your next visit to the library! What will it be?

Happy
New Year!





A Book by Every Chair...by Phyllis

Sometimes I pick a book for its cover, and the new novel **The Berry Pickers**, by Canadian author, Amanda Peters was one I could not resist. From the title I expected a story of migrant workers in Maine. It was that. But in telling the story of a kidnapped child and both her families, Peters drew a compelling cultural contrast throughout the decades-long poignant saga.

I loved the TV show Spenser for Hire, and decided to read about what Spenser is up to lately in **Robert B. Parker's Broken Trust**, by Mike Lupica. I was not disappointed; the sharp witty dialogue, the humor, the cliched characters, the clues and the certainty that there would be a satisfying solution by the end made this an entertaining page turner.

I accidentally noticed a small little novel called **Just a Regular Boy**, by Catherine Ryan Hyde, that I had overlooked this summer. So glad I found it now; I have been on a quest to find novels that do not revolve around murders.... This book brightened my day in multiple ways, and by the end it seemed the most 'feel good' reading experience I have had in months. Do not be put off by the dark opening chapters, but be prepared to put yourselves in each character's situation and see how it feels...

Andy Hughes is a serious, by-the-book public defender in Martin Clark's new courtroom drama novel **The Plinko Bounce**. Defense attorneys don't always get upstanding citizens as clients, yet they must use all the tools at their disposal to fight for each defendant, for everyone deserves his/her day in court. Seeing this story unfold in the pages felt like watching an old Perry Mason show, until....

At this busy festive time of the year nothing beats a little romance novel. Jean Meltzer served up a delightfully old-fashioned one with **The Matzah Ball**. Part of the fun was knowing absolutely how the plot would end no matter how many twists, turns and obstacles the writer threw at the characters. These days social media is ubiquitous; in that way her book was very contemporary. Rachel, with all her quirky creativity, was unique as a heroine in ways that became meaningful once her backstory is revealed. The men in her life fit the profiles of life in this decade, so why did I call it an old-fashioned novel? Let me know if you agree....and if you also found it a worthy learning experience....

Sons and their fathers seems a common theme in fiction, but when I picked up the novel **How to Love Your Daughter**, by Hila Blum I realized I have read few in depth daughter/mother themed plots such as this one. What could cause such a rift in the close and loving relationship this mother has with her daughter? Having no daughters, I read it identifying with the daughter, even though Blum wove all the strands of the story into whole cloth from the mother's point of view. This was not a universal tale; rather a very haunting and specific one. I could not put it down.

New Releases on DVD

Movies	Series
The Miracle Club	Oppenheimer
Expend4bles	Gran Turismo
Air	Golda
Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny	
The Unknown Country	
Mission Impossible: Dead Reckoning	
A Haunting in Venice	
	Hotel Portofino: season 2
	The Great: season 3
	The White Lotus: season 2
	Joe Pickett: season 2

Book Discussion - January 17, 2024

The Scapegoat by Michael V. Solomon



Concerts 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Jan 18 Aurora - French horn & piano
Jan 25 Mia's Sizzle Review - piano + multimedia
Feb 8 Sergei & Diana Skobin - piano duo - classical

Activities Schedule

Dancercize	Mondays 5:30 pm - first class Jan 22
E-Reader help	1st Tuesdays 5:00-7:00 pm
Book Discussion	3rd Wednesdays 5:30 pm
Concerts	selected Thursdays
Current Events Discussion	Saturdays 10:30 am