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Readalikes for *The Berry Pickers*

Dundee Library Book Club, July 2025

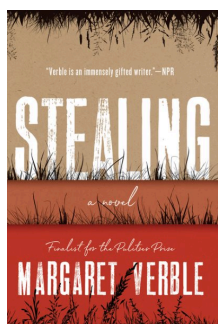
Books at the Dundee Library and/or Randall Oaks Library



Familia

by Lauren E. Rico

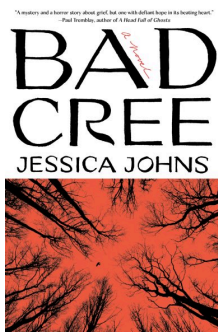
A fact-checker for a popular magazine, Gabby DiMarco, takes a DNA test and discovers she has a sister in Puerto Rico who has been desperately trying to find her for 25 years, despite her parents saying it is impossible.



Stealing : a novel

by Margaret Verble

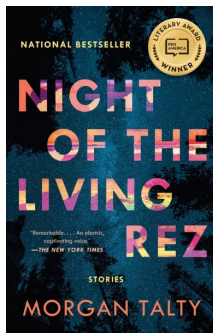
In the 1950s, strong-willed and shrewd Kit Crockett, ripped from her home and Cherokee family and sent to a religious boarding school, she, along with the other Native students, is stripped of her heritage, force-fed Christian indoctrination and is sexually abused until she decides to fight back.



Bad Cree : a novel

by Jessica Johns

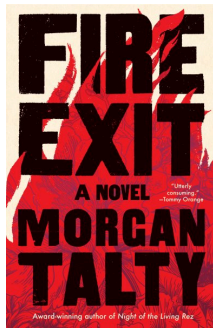
A young Cree woman is tormented by vivid dreams from before her sister's untimely death and wakes up with a severed crow's head in her hands before returning to her rural hometown in Alberta seeking answers.



Night of the living rez

by Morgan Talty

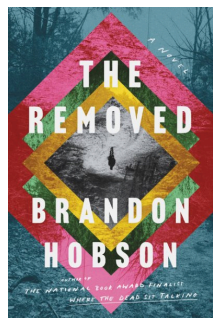
Set in a Native community in Maine, Night of the Living Rez is a riveting debut collection about what it means to be Penobscot in the twenty-first century and what it means to live, to survive, and to persevere after tragedy. In twelve striking, luminescent stories, author Morgan Talty-with searing humor, abiding compassion, and deep insight-breathes life into tales of family and a community as they struggle with a painful past and an uncertain future. A boy unearths a jar that holds an old curse, which sets into motion his family's unraveling; a man, while trying to swindle some pot from a dealer, discovers a friend passed out in the woods, his hair frozen into the snow; a grandmother suffering from Alzheimer's projects the past onto her grandson; and two friends, inspired by Antiques Roadshow, attempt to rob the tribal museum for valuable root clubs. A collection that examines the consequences and merits of inheritance, Night of the Living Rez is an unforgettable portrayal of an Indigenous community and marks the arrival of a standout talent in contemporary fiction.



Fire exit : a novel

by Morgan Talty

Consumed by a long-held secret about his daughter across the river on the Penobscot Reservation, Charles Lamosway grapples with his past, a lost love and the burdens of family as he searches for redemption. as he searches for redemption.

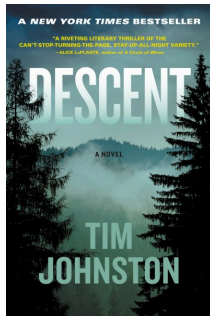


The removed : a novel

by Brandon Hobson

A Cherokee family takes in a remarkable foster child on the eve of the Cherokee National Holiday and anniversary of a loved one's death. By the National Book Award-winning author of Where the Dead Sit Talking.

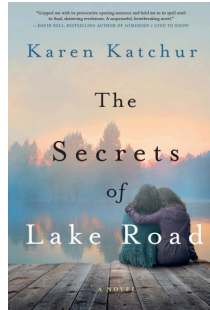
Books at other libraries in our consortium



Descent : a novel

by Tim Johnston

When their daughter disappears while out for a morning run during a late-summer vacation in the Rocky Mountains, her parents embark on a harrowing journey down increasingly divergent and solitary paths where they must answer some difficult questions to find the truth.

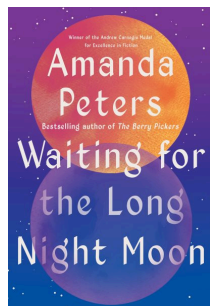


The secrets of Lake Road : a novel

by Karen Katchur

Hiding the truth about her role in her high-school boyfriend's drowning for 16 years, Jo avoids the family lakeside home that is loved by her preadolescent daughter, who discovers her mother's secret in the wake of a child's disappearance.

Also by Amanda Peters



Waiting for the long night moon : stories

by Amanda Peters

Stories of Indigenous experiences across time, from early European contact to modern water-rights activism, depicting resilience through characters like a residential school survivor, a water protector, and a young dancer, all revealing strength and dignity amid systemic hardships