What is BSI?

BSI is a longstanding book review series run during the lunch hour -- sandwiches welcome!

Join us from 12-1 pm for a presentation given by an expert on the book's topic followed by Q&A. Talks will be in-person on the listed date; video recordings will be available about one week later at www.brightonlibrary.org/





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If we could have chosen more...

FICTION:

- The Covenant of Water by Abraham Verghese
- The Book of Fire by Christy Lefteri
- Chenneville: A Novel of Murder, Loss, and Vengeance by Paulette Jiles
- Sleeping Giants by Rene Denfeld
- The River We Remember by William Kent Krueger
- James by Percival Everett
- After Annie by Anna Quindlen
- Absolution by Alice McDermott

NON-FICTION:

- Master Slave Husband Wife: An Epic Journey from Slavery to Freedom by Ilyon Woo
- The Wager. A Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny and Murder
 by David Grann
- The Six: The Untold Story of America's First Women Astronauts by Loren Grush
- Legacy: A Black Physician Reckons with Racism in Medicine by Uche' Blackstock
- The Sisterhood: The Secret History of Women at the CIA by Liza Mundy

Books Sandwiched In

2024-2025



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Thurs, 10/10

The Women by Kristin Hannah

A young, sheltered nurse's 20-year journey from war-torn Vietnam to post-war America. Presented by Judy Leon, Outreach/Program Specialist, Veteran's Outreach Center.



Thurs, 11/7

The Heaven and Earth Grocery
Store by James McBride



In 1972, Black and Jewish residents join together to protect a child. Presented by Rabbi Stein, Senior Rabbi, Temple B'rith Kodesh

and Rev. Julius Jackson, Pastor, United Church of Pittsford.

Thurs, 12/5

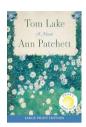
The Demon of Unrest: A Saga of Hubris, Heartache, and Heroism at the Dawn of the Civil War by Erik Larson

A detailed account of the months between Lincoln's presidential election and the attack on Fort Sumter. Presented by Athene Goldstein, teacher and book discussion leader.



All programs run 12-1 pm

Thurs, 1/9 Tom Lake by Ann Patchett



In spring 2020, three adult daughters learn about their mother's life before they were born. Presented by author, performer, and teaching artist Joanne Brokaw.

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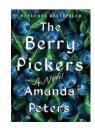
Weds, 2/5

The Little Liar by Mitch Albom

During the Holocaust, an 11-year-old boy is tricked into telling a lie, which impacts his whole life.
Presented by Michael Dobkowski, Professor of Religious Studies, Hobart and William Smith Colleges.

Thurs, 3/6

The Berry Pickers by Amanda Peters

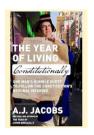


In July 1962, a 4-year-old Indigenous girl goes missing, sparking a tragic 50-year mystery. Presented by Deb Rosen, President and CEO, Jewish Family Services.

Thurs, 4/3

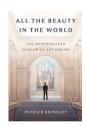
The Year of Living Constitutionally.
One Man's Humble Quest to Follow
the Constitution's Original
Meaning by A.J. Jacobs

The author's humorous yet insightful attempt to literally live the U.S. Constitution.
Presented by Judge Vik Vilkhu, Brighton Town Justice.



Thurs, 5/1

All the Beauty in the World: The Metropolitan Museum of Art and Me by Patrick Bringley



The MET through the eyes of a grieving museum guard.

Presented by Grant Holcomb, Retired Director of the Memorial Art Gallery.

Thurs, 6/5

The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon

A historical mystery based on the diaries of an 18th century midwife. Presented by Karen Morris, MCC Professor and Retired Brighton Town Justice.

