

Tuesday Lunchtime Book Club 2010

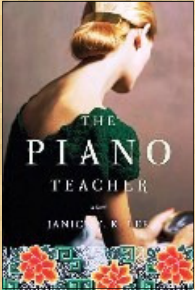
11:45am-1:00pm once a month @ RT Library

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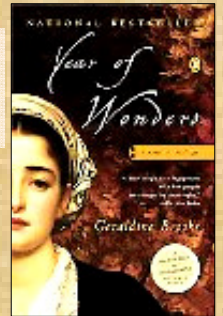
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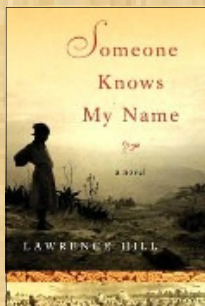
Jan 19 *The Year of Wonders*
Geraldine Brooks



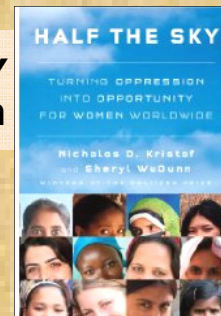
Feb 16 *The Piano Teacher*
Janice Y. K. Lee



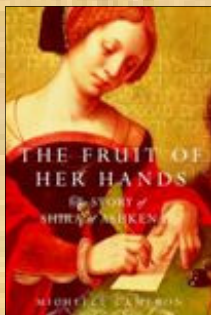
Mar 16 *Half the Sky*
N. Kristof & S. WuDunn



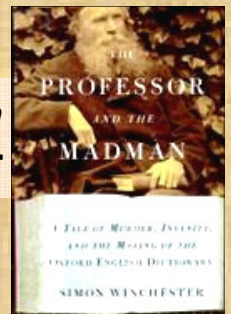
Apr 20 *Someone Knows my Name*
Lawrence Hill



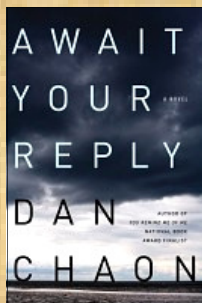
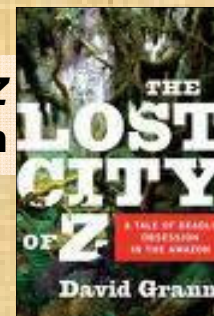
May 11 *The Professor and the Madman*
Simon Winchester



Jun 15 *The Fruit of her Hands*
NJ Author Michelle Cameron will join us

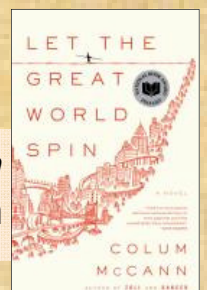


Jul 13 *The Lost City of Z*
David Grann



Aug 24 *Await your Reply*
Dan Chaon

Sept 14 *Let the Great World Spin*
Colum McCann



Book Descriptions on Back

RT Library Tuesday Lunchtime Book Club 2010 Selections

JAN 19 ***The Year of Wonders: a novel of the plague* by Geraldine Brooks**
(2001, Historical fiction, 308 pgs.)

Based on the true story of the village of Eyam, England, whose inhabitants voluntarily quarantined themselves for a year when stricken with Bubonic Plague in 1665. This harrowing story is told from the perspective of 18-year-old Anna Frith, a heroic widow with two young sons.

FEB 16 ***The Piano Teacher* by Janice Y. K. Lee**
(2009, International fiction, 328 pgs.)

A best-selling debut dealing with the rigors of love and survival in war-torn 1952 Hong Kong, and the consequences of choices made under duress.

MAR 16 ***Half the Sky: turning oppression into opportunity for women worldwide***
By Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl Wu Dunn
(2009, Non-fiction, 294 pgs.)

Two reporters make a strong case for investing in the health and autonomy of women worldwide. They argue that it is impossible for countries to climb out of poverty if only a fraction of women (9% in Pakistan, for example) participate in the labor force.

APR 20 ***Someone Knows my Name* by Lawrence Hill**
(2007, Fiction, 486 pgs.)

An inspiring novel about an 18th Century woman, Aminata Diallo, whose adventures spanned three continents, doing what she could to free herself and others from slavery.

MAY 18 ***The Professor and the Madman: a tale of murder, insanity and the making of the Oxford English Dictionary* by Simon Winchester**
(1998, Non-fiction, 242 pgs.)

The Oxford English Dictionary used 1,827,306 quotations to help define its 414,825 words. Tens of thousands of those in the first edition came from the erudite, moneyed American Civil War veteran Dr. W.C. Minor from a cell at the Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum.

JUN 15 ***The Fruit of her Hands: the story of Shira of Ashkenaz***
by Michelle Cameron
(2009, NJ AUTHOR, Historical Fiction, 422 pgs.)

TIME: 11:45-1:30pm Author Michelle Cameron joins us for the discussion

This well-researched novel describes the end of the Jewish presence in medieval France through its learned heroine, Shira, a 13th century woman raised like a son by her father.

JUL 13 ***The Lost City of Z: a tale of deadly obsession in the Amazon* by David Grann**
(2009, Non-fiction, 339 pgs.)

After stumbling upon hidden diaries, Grann sets out to solve the greatest exploration mystery of the 20th century: what happened to explorer Percy Fawcett and his quest for the Lost City of Z?

AUG 24 ***Await your Reply* by Dan Chaon**
(2009, Contemporary fiction, 324 pgs.)

A literary masterwork with the momentum of a thriller about three characters in which pasts are invented and reinvented and the future is seductively uncharted.

SEPT 14 ***Let the Great World Spin* by Colum McCann**
(2009, Contemporary fiction, 349 pgs.)

National Book Award 2009 winner offers a dazzling and hauntingly rich vision of the loveliness, pain, and mystery of life in New York City in the 1970s.