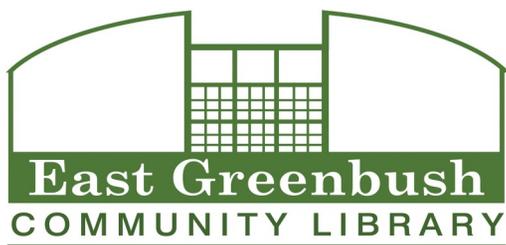


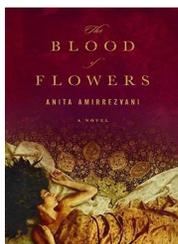
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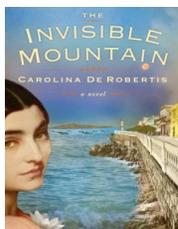
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[The Blood of Flowers](#)

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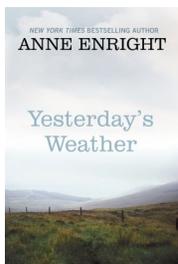
A young woman in 17th century Persia competes with men as a designer of carpets—but will this threaten her chance of a happy marriage?



[The Invisible Mountain](#)

By Carolina DeRobertis

Three women search for love and authenticity from Rio de Janeiro to Buenos Aires in the time of Eva Peron. This is a penetrating portrait of the lives of the people of Uruguay during the 20th century.



[Yesterday's Weather: Stories](#)

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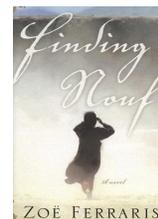
The sum of these stories is a rich tapestry of people trying to find contentment with one another, and with themselves, in a rapidly changing Ireland.



[The Painter from Shanghai](#)

By Jennifer Epstein

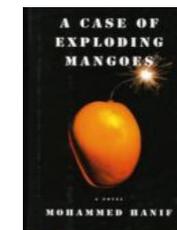
Artist Pan Yuliang traces her life in a brothel before she becomes a concubine to a Republican official who ultimately helps her to find her way as an artist.



[Finding Nouf](#)

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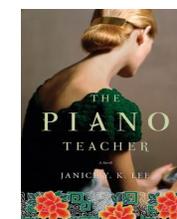
When 16 year old Nouf goes missing, her prominent Saudi family calls on Nayir al-Sharqi, a Palestinian desert guide, to lead a search party. This mission will push Nayir to delve into the secret life of a rich, protected teenager in a rigidly gender-segregated society.



[A Case of Exploding Mangoes](#)

By Mohammed Hanif

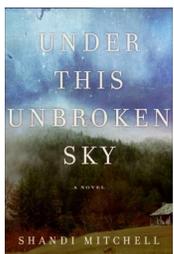
Junior officer Ali Ahigri of the Pakistan Air Force, the son of Colonel Quli Shigri who had been the right hand man of a prominent general before his suicide, struggles to unravel the secrets and motives that led to his father's death.



[The Piano Teacher](#)

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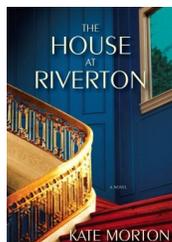
Hired by the wealthy Chen family as a piano teacher, Claire Pendleton is seduced by the social life of Hong Kong's expatriate community and begins an affair with an Englishman with a devastating past.



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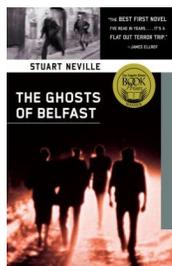
An immigrant Ukrainian family suffers unrelenting hardship on the tundra of late 1930s western Canada.



[The House at Riverton](#)

By Kate Morton

Grace Bradley recalls her time as a servant at Riverton House in the summer of 1924 when tragedy befalls a young party guest.



[The Ghosts of Belfast](#)

By Stuart Neville

Fegan was an IRA killer in Northern Ireland. Now that peace has come, he is haunted by the 12 ghosts of his innocent victims. To appease

them, he must hunt down the men who gave him the kill orders. But, will fate offer him a way out, or will he become a hostage himself? (first book of a planned series)

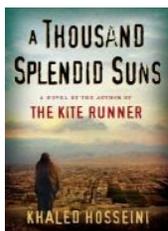
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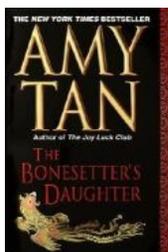
Estranged sisters, called home for their father's citizenship party, find themselves forging a new relationship and new ways to overcome disappointment.



[A Thousand Splendid Suns](#)

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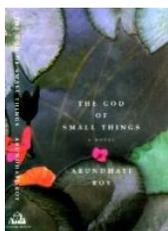
Two women, brought together by the sweep of war, face the tyranny of the man who is their husband and the reign of the Taliban in Afghanistan.



[The Bonesetter's Daughter](#)

By Amy Tan

Ghostwriter Ruth Young discovers that her life parallels the story of her mother's early life in China when she finds the famous bone-setter, a woman whose mouth was sealed shut during a suicide attempt.



[The God of Small Things](#)

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Twins Rahel and Estha grow up in the center of a family whose members suffer the terrible consequences of forbidden love.



[The Strangeness of Beauty](#)

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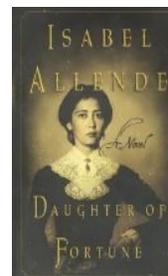
After several years in the United States, a Japanese woman and her niece return to Japan where each must make the adjustment to a culture new to them. (The author grew up in East Greenbush)



[Atonement](#)

By Ian McEwan

In 1935 England, 13 year old Briony Tallis witnesses an event involving her sister and her childhood friend, becoming the victim of her own imagination.



[Daughter of Fortune](#)

Isabel Allende

A Chilean woman searches for her lover in the goldfields of 1840s California. Arriving as a stowaway, Eliza finances her search with various jobs, including playing the piano in a

brothel.



[A Thread of Grace](#)

By Mary Doria Russell

Three cultures mingle uneasily in an Italian village at the end of World War II. When Italy breaks with Germany, thousands of

Jews spill over the mountains in search of safety, but German occupation will change the village forever.



[Snow](#)

By Orhan Pamuk

After years of exile, a Turkish poet returns to Istanbul to attend a funeral and learns of a series of suicides among pious girls forbidden to wear headscarves.