We love libraries booklist

Celebrate National Library Week with titles from this library themed booklist.

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Not your stereotypical librarians...

Free for all: oddballs, geeks, and gangstas in the public library by Don Borchert-If you still think of a public library as a place where people only sit quietly and study Don Borchert has news for you. The assistant librarian with twelve years of experience in the Anaheim public library system shares his outrageous stories from working in a modern public library including dealing with patrons who look at porn on public computers, teenagers who take over the building as soon as school is dismissed, and drug dealers setting up shop in the bathrooms. BELMONT/Adult 020.92 BOR

The book thieves by Anders Rydell-Often lost amongst the stories of Nazi destruction to the personal property and culture of minority groups is the fact that they stole books from these groups to wage an intellectual war against them. After the war the books found their way into the German public library system. Rydell tells the story of librarians in Berlin trying to identify these books and their rightful owners, many of whom have no other possessions from family members lost in the Holocaust. BELMONT/New Books 364.2 RYD

The bad-ass librarians of Timbuktu by Joshua Hammer-When Al Qaeda seized Timbuktu Abdel Kader Haidara and his colleagues realized they needed to find a safe haven for the historical manuscripts housed in their libraries. Hammer tells the stories of Haidara’s life and career in Timbuktu, how Al Qaeda took control of the region, and how Haidara and his fellow librarians rescued 370,000 volumes from almost certain destruction. BELMONT/Adult 025.85 HAM

Running the books: the adventures of an accidental prison librarian by Avi Steinberg-After completing his undergraduate education at Harvard Avi Steinberg realized that his original plan of becoming a rabbi just wasn’t going to work for him. His love of books and need for health insurance lead him to take a job as a librarian at a Boston prison where he dealt with criminals of all kinds and at times had as many issues with the guards as the inmates. BELMONT/Adult 027.6 STE
Our nation’s preeminent library

**America’s library: the Library of Congress, 1800-2000** by James Conaway-This history of the first two hundred years of the Library of Congress is centered on the thirteen men who served as Librarian of Congress over that time (they have since been joined by Carla Hayden, the first African-American and first woman to serve in the post). Conaway tracks how the library faced some of its greatest challenges (including the entire collection being destroyed when the British burned the Capitol in 1814) and how it evolved into one of the premier scholarly institutions in the world. BELMONT/Adult 027.573 CON

**The card catalog** by the Library of Congress- Are you nostalgic for the days when you had to look up library books by hand instead of on the computer? Then pick up this book by the Library of Congress containing photos of original catalog cards and the covers of their most famous first editions. Beyond the visuals, readers will find interesting facts about some of literature’s most famous works. BELMONT/New Books 025.313 CAR

Find these in the fiction section

**The Paris librarian** by Mark Pryor-While visiting the American Library in Paris Hugo Marston finds his friend Paul Rogers, the director of the library, dead in his locked office. In his investigation Marston, a security officer at the American embassy, finds that his friend’s murder may be connected to the recently donated letters of an actress who served as a spy for the French Resistance during WWII. This is the sixth entry in the Hugo Marston series. BELMONT/Adult MYS PRY

**Summer hours at the Robbers Library** by Sue Halpern-Halpern’s novel centers on the relationship between three fixtures at a public library in New Hampshire with Kit, a librarian who thought she had found a peaceful existence in the small town; Sunny, a teenager sentenced to community service in the library for stealing a dictionary; and Rusty, a former Wall Street power player who is now a regular patron. Each is trying to reclaim his/her own story and readers will enjoy the cast of small town characters they encounter along the way. BELMONT/New Books FIC HAL