

Booklover's January 30 2016

The Art of Racing in the Rain

by Garth Stein

Amazing – wonderfully crafted story

Inspector Gamache series

by Louise Penny

Each book is amazing in its own right – can't take things for granted

Love the French influence

Love to try and figure things out- but can't always do it

Can barely stop reading

Mother Bruce- Children's book

by Ryan T. Higgins

Grumpy bear who doesn't like anything except eggs- he googles recipes

Goes to get some eggs to cook a recipe – fire goes out before he can cook them and the eggs hatch and call him mamma

Our Souls at Night

by Kent Haruf

So decent- and about community and caring. Characters are so unbelievably true to whoever they are.

It's about two elderly people who live across the street from each other. Both spouses have died- one morning the woman walks across the street to the neighbors house. Tells him what bothers her the most is that she loves to lie in bed and talk to someone. She asks if he would come over a few nights a week.

All the Light We Cannot See

by Anthony Doerr

Unbelievably marvelous.

Novel around two characters – one is a French girl who is blind, the other is a German boy who grew up in a terribly depressed mining community. Happens during the World War. Goes between different points of view that eventually connect.

The girl has a dad who is an amazing guy- works in a museum filled with artifacts. He makes little models of the village where they live so she can find her way around.

Characters are wonderful.

Cinnamon and Gunpowder

by Eli Brown

About "Mad Hannah Mabbot" the pirate who sweeps in and kills a lord, tastes his food and abducts the cook to take with her on her pirate ship. He has to cook for her every Sunday.

Has wonderful evolution of characters.

About shifting mindsets

The Wright Brothers

by David McCullough

Highly recommend-Includes the wright brother's sister who you never hear about

H is for Hawk

by Helen Macdonald

Her writing is unbelievable. Her father died suddenly- he was a falconer and her mentor- never had been tempted to train the goshawk. She adopts one and turns to the novel "the Goshawk" to learn how to train. The writing is so intense. She takes herself to the edge of madness with the training.

New book-

Light: A Radiant History from Creation to the Quantum Age

by Bruce Watson

Zeroes

by Chuck Wendig

A group of teenage hackers have been seized by a semi anonymous part of our government to demonstrate their talents as hackers and to figure out how they could work together in groups to defeat a large dangerous computer program that's affecting a large quantity of people in the country.

The kids seem very real very different- they do things in different ways.

Girl in the Spider's Web

by David Lagercrantz

The main character has been captured still, but making it also seems a little more like a stock character.

Disappointed, but still couldn't stop reading.

Consumption

by Kevin Patterson

Fictionalized account of his time with the Inuit.

The title refers to how the idea of consumption of things has effected the lifestyle of so many people around the world. Continuously unfolding tragedy. Also about consumption the disease-run like wildfire.

The Water in Between

by Kevin Patterson

amazing guy- surgeon, who was in the army overseas.

It's about finding himself on a sea voyage- hilariously funny. Very self aware and engaging.

Absolutely wonderful.

A Man Called Ove

Book about a gentleman; you get mad at him and you love him.