

Book Selections for Adelante 2017-2018

September 13 (note date change)

Hidden Figures: The American Dream and the Untold Story of the Black Women Mathematicians Who Helped Win the Space Race by Margot Lee Shetterly

True story of the black female mathematicians at NASA whose calculations helped make history in space travel. Award winning movie was based on the book.

C-11, U-3 (also audio and cloud library versions)

October 18

Threading My Prayer Rug: One Woman's Journey from Pakistani Muslim to American Muslim

by Sabeeha Rehman

Memoir of an immigrant Muslim's journey to become a Muslim in America.

C-2, U-1

December 6 (note earlier date)

Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis by J.D. Vance

A memoir and cultural analysis of the decline of the white working class in the U.S.

C-12, U-5 (also audio and cloud library versions)

January 17

Option B: Facing Adversity, Building Resilience, and Finding Joy

by Sheryl Sandberg and Adam Grant

Part memoir and part operating manual for dealing with loss and crisis in one's life.

C-6, U-2 (also audio and cloud library versions)

February 21

In the Sanctuary of Outcasts by Neil White

Memoir of a white-collar criminal sent to a prison in the South which also houses a leprosarium.

C-3, U-1 (also audio and cloud library versions)

March 21

Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City by Matthew Desmond

Following eight families in Milwaukee, Desmond examines the impact that eviction has on both poverty and profit in urban America.

C-2, U-2 (also cloud library version)

April 18

All the Single Ladies: Unmarried Women and the Rise of an Independent Nation

by Rebecca Traister

An investigation into the changes in the sexual, economic, and emotional lives of women through the lens of the single American woman.

C-2, U-1 (also audio and cloud library versions)

May 16

Then Comes Marriage: United States V Windsor and the Defeat of DOMA

by Roberta Kaplan and Lisa Dickey

Told by one of the attorneys in the case, it intertwines her and her client's personal stories with a behind-the-scenes history of the historic case in the fight for marriage equality.

C-1, U-1

June 20

Euphoria by Lily King

Novel of three young anthropologists in the 30's involved in a love triangle that threatens their bonds, their careers, and their lives. Inspired by events in the life of Margaret Mead.

C-3, U-1 (also audio and cloud library versions)

July 18

The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood

The classic dystopian novel by Atwood that is now a televised series on Hulu.

C-5, U-3 (also audio and cloud library versions)

August 15

Born a Crime by Trevor Noah

Memoir by the popular Daily Show host regarding his life as a biracial child in South Africa

C-5 (also audio and cloud library versions)