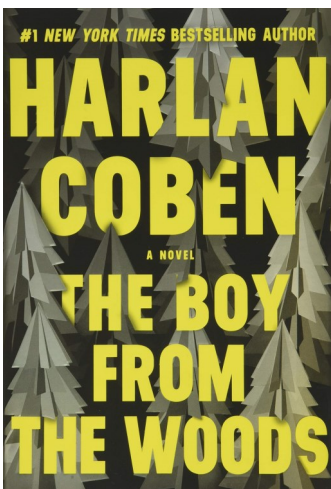


A NOVEL IDEA: VIRTUAL BOOK DISCUSSIONS

JANUARY 2022



These programs will be conducted on a virtual platform and are free of charge. Registration and internet access are required to attend. Register on the Library website's Upcoming Events list to receive emailed information on how to access these programs. The link will be emailed the business day prior to the program by 4:00 pm, after registration closes at noon.



Murder They Wrote: Virtual Mystery Book Discussion

Thursday, January 20 at 10:30 am on Zoom

The Boy from the Woods by Harlan Coben

Bestselling author, and N.J. native, Harlan Coben brings us a shocking new thriller about a man whose past is shrouded in mystery but who must find a missing teenage girl before her disappearance brings about disastrous consequences for her community...and the world.

Moderated by Jeanmarie Kantor, Library HQ

SHORT & SWEET

Virtual Short Story Discussion

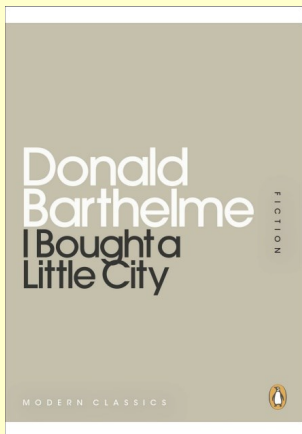
Thursday, January 27 at 10:30 am on Zoom

"I Bought a Little City" (1974) by Donald Barthelme

Galveston, Texas, has been bought. It suits its new owner just fine. So he starts to change it. He creates a new residential area in the shape of a Mona Lisa jigsaw puzzle, shoots 6,000 dogs, and reminds those who complain that he controls the jail, the police, and the local chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union. But, playing God has its limitations; which he soon discovers. With Donald Barthelme's unmistakable ability to blend absurdity and the recognizable details of ordinary life, this is an uncanny tale about urban planning, capitalism, and God.

The story will be emailed after registration.

Moderated by Mary Patterson, Hazlet Library Branch



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