



OCTOBER IS NATIONAL READING GROUP MONTH

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2012 Selections

THE ABSOLUTIST by John Boyne
(Other Press, 978-1590515525)

AN AGE OF MADNESS by David Maine
(Red Hen Press, 978-1597092340)

THE ART OF FIELDING by Chad Harbach
(Back Bay Books, 978-0316126670)

THE ART OF HEARING HEARTBEATS by Jan-Philipp Sendker
(Other Press, 978-1590514634)

BLUE ASYLUM by Kathy Hepinstall
(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 978-0547712079)

BOLETO by Alyson Hagy
(Graywolf Press, 978-1555976125)

THE DOVEKEEPERS by Alice Hoffman
(Scribner, 978-1451617481)

EQUAL OF THE SUN by Anita Amirrezvani
(Scribner, 978-1451660463)

FAITH by Jennifer Haigh
(Harper Perennial, 978-0060755812)

I MARRIED YOU FOR HAPPINESS by Lily Tuck
(Atlantic Monthly Press, 978-0802145918)

IN THE SHADOW OF THE BANYAN by Vaddey Ratner
(Simon & Schuster, 978-1451657708)

A LAND MORE KIND THAN HOME by Wiley Cash
(William Morrow, 978-0062088147)

THE O'BRIENS by Peter Behrens
(Pantheon Books, 978-0307379931)

THE ORCHARDIST by Amanda Coplin
(Harper, 978-0062188502)

THE RIGHT-HAND SHORE by Christopher Tilghman
(Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 978-0374203481)

RUNNING THE RIFT by Naomi Benaron
(Algonquin Books, 978-1616201944)

SALVAGE THE BONES by Jesmyn Ward
(Bloomsbury USA, 978-1608196265)

THE SNOW CHILD by Eowyn Ivey
(A Reagan Arthur Book, 978-0316175678)

WHAT ALICE FORGOT by Liane Moriarty
(Berkley Books, 978-0425247440)

WHY BE HAPPY WHEN YOU COULD BE NORMAL? by Jeanette Winterson
(Grove Press, 978-0802120106)



ABOUT NATIONAL READING GROUP MONTH

National Reading Group Month (NRGM) is an initiative of the Women's National Book Association (WNBA). Founded in 1917, WNBA promotes literacy, a love of reading, and women's roles in the community of the book.

NRGM augments the WNBA's mission to promote the value of books and reading. Through this initiative the organization aims to foster the values reading groups encourage: camaraderie, enjoyment of shared reading, and appreciation of literature and reading as conduits for transmitting culture and advancing civic engagement.

The mission of National Reading Group Month is to:

- Increase public awareness of the joy and value of shared reading
- Provide a time for reading groups to celebrate their accomplishments and plan for the future
- Provide opportunities for individuals to join an existing reading group or start a new one
- Encourage libraries, bookstores, and organizations to host special reading group events

FIND OUT MORE: NATIONAL READING GROUP MONTH

www.NationalReadingGroupMonth.org

ABOUT NATIONAL READING GROUP MONTH GREAT GROUP READS

Great Group Reads 2012 titles are selected on the basis of their appeal to reading groups for whom they are bound to open up lively conversations about a host of timely and provocative topics, from the intimate dynamics of family and personal relationships to major cultural and world issues. The 23-member Committee also makes a conscious decision to focus its attention on under-represented gems from small presses and lesser-known mid-list releases from larger houses. All are books with strong narratives peopled by fully realized characters; books which perhaps have flown under the radar of reviewers and reading groups overwhelmed by the sheer number of new releases each year.

Great Group Reads 2012 Selections Starter Packet includes one 8.5 in. × 11 in. flyer and one WNBA / NRGM bookmark. Templates for each can be found on the NRGM Web site for duplication. Book-sellers, librarians, and reading groups are welcome to use any of the materials found there for "October is National Reading Group Month" purposes. Complimentary Great Group Reads pressure stickers, to apply to the front covers of Great Group Reads 2012 Selections, are available by contacting Jill Tardiff, at jill.tardiff@gmail.com.

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<http://www.nationalreadinggroupmonth.org/involved.html>

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