

Fireside Book Chats: Winter 2019



“Can’t Wait Fiction” - Beth’s suggestions for titles coming out imminently

Faye, Lyndsay. *The Paragon Hotel*, (Jan 2019).

In 1921 fleeing from the New York Mafia, Caucasian Alice takes refuge in Portland, Oregon's only Black hotel and helps her new friends search for missing child and hide from KKK violence.

Leon, Sarah. *Wanderer*, (Jan 2019). Using musical structure and allusion Leon tells of Hermin, a composer/music instructor who lives in seclusion in the mountains in France, when he receives an visit from old pupil, a piano prodigy, forcing the two to confront the ghosts of their past.

Korneliussen, Niviaq. *Last night in Nuuk*, (Jan 2019). A witty and fearless debut from a stunning new voice, *Last Night in Nuuk* is a work of daring invention about young life in Greenland.

Michaelides, Alex. *The Silent patient*, (Feb 2019). In this edgy, intricately plotted psychological thriller a therapist becomes dangerously obsessed with uncovering the truth about what prompted his client, an artist who refuses to speak, to violently murder her husband.

Obioma, Chigozie. *An Orchestra of minorities*, (Jan 2019).

Spanning continents, traversing cosmic space and told by the main character’s guardian angel, this epic novel is a blend of the folklore of the Igbo people and of Homer’s *Odyssey*.

Vijay, Madhuri. *The Far field*, (Jan 2019). After her mother’s death a privileged young woman from Bangalore, leaves for Kashmir to confront a man from her mother’s past but instead is brought face to face with Kashmir’s violent politics forcing her to make a series of difficult decisions.

Wells, Benedict. *End of loneliness*, (May 2019). Love story, life story and a family saga told through the memory of Jules 15 years after the sudden death of his parents when he was 11. Told with compassion, this is translation is written in affecting prose.

Wilkinson, Lauren. *American spy*, (Feb 2019).

A Cold War FBI intelligence officer joins an undercover task force to seduce a revolutionary African Communist president she secretly admires and comes to love, in a debut novel inspired by true events.

White, Christian. *The Nowhere child*, (Jan 2019). White's tightly woven debut thriller concerns a young woman whose life is turned upside when she discovers that she may have been abducted at the age of two by her recently deceased mother.

