



### TBH Book Group

Below are our books for the upcoming 2017-18/5778 year. Join us for any book(s) that you're interested in talking about. We meet monthly at 7pm on the 3rd Tuesday at TBH. The list includes how many copies are available in the Timberland Regional Library (TRL). Contact Karen Greene at [ekgisrael@gmail.com](mailto:ekgisrael@gmail.com) with questions. Please don't be shy.

October 17, 2017 – A Horse Walks into a Bar, David Grossman

A searing short novel about the life of a stand-up comic as revealed in the performance of one evening. Some of his darkest moments and traumatic memories from childhood are divulged. TRL: 4 print, 1 electronic, 3 CD

November 21, 201 - The Marriage of Opposites, Alice Hoffman

A forbidden love story set on the tropical island of St. Thomas about the extraordinary woman who gave birth to the Jewish painter Camille Pissarro, a Father of Impressionism. TRL: 5 print, 2 large print, 1 electronic

December 19, 2017 – Cousin Joseph: A Graphic Novel, Jules Feiffer

Legendary cartoonist Jules Feiffer introduces us to Big Sam Hannigan in a graphic noir novel set in the 1930s. Patriotism, anti-Semitism, anti-immigrant, and anti-union themes have echoes of today. TRL: 5 hard copies

January 16, 2018 – Kingdom of Olives and Ash: Writers Confront the Occupation, edited by Michael Chabon, Ayelet Waldman

Essays from an international roster of writers (including Geraldine Brooks, Mario Vargas Llosa, Colum McCann, and Jacqueline Woodson) who toured towns and villages in the Israeli-occupied territories and met with community organizers, workers, artists, activists, farmers, and families, as well as Israeli settlers and soldiers. About 6-10 of the 26 essays will be selected. TRL: 1 print, 1 electronic, 1 Laura Schragger

February 20, 2018 – Hope: a Tragedy, Shalom Auslander

Solomon Kugel flees his past and history to relocate with his wife and young son to a haunted farmhouse in upstate New York. The book is a hilarious and haunting examination of the burdens and abuse of history, and a compelling story of the hopeless longing to be free of those pasts that haunt our every present. TRL: 2 print, 1 Laura Schragger

March 20, 2018 – In the Darkroom, Susan Faludi

An astonishing confrontation by Susan Faludi with the enigma of her estranged father whose identities included life as a Jewish fugitive in Holocaust Budapest, photographer, and coming out as a woman at age 76. It explores the riddle of identity consuming our age: is it something you choose or something you can't escape? TRL: 4 print

April 17, 2018 – The Sabbath World: Glimpses of a Different Order of Time, Judith Shulevitz

An exploration of the Jewish and Christian day of rest, from its origins in the ancient world to its complicated observance in the modern one. Braiding ideas together with memories, Shulevitz delves into the legends, history, and philosophy that have grown up around a custom that has lessons for all of us. TRL: 0, commitment to purchase and circulate copies

May 15, 2018 – Look Who's Back, Timur Vermes

Timur Vermes' record-breaking bestseller, a satirical novel that imagines what would happen if Hitler reawakened in present-day Germany. The book was a massive success in Germany, selling more than 1.5 million copies. As Janet Maslin wrote in her review for *The New York Times*: "Read this book." TRL: 3 print, 1 electronic, 2 Laura Schragger

June 19, 2018 – No book, book selection for next year