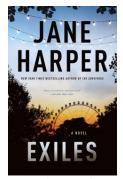


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The LibraryReads Hall of Fame designation honors authors who have had multiple titles appear on the monthly LibraryReads list since 2013.



by Jane Harper (Flatiron)

"Two unrelated crimes—one a disappearance, the other a hit and run—collide when Aaron Falk takes a vacation to serve as godfather at a christening. It is up to Falk to ferret out ugly truths hiding in plain sight. For those who enjoy a slow burn with a satisfying conclusion. Readers of the Cork O'Connor series by William Kent Krueger will appreciate this author."

—Lori Hench, Baltimore County Public Library, Towson, MD

Novelist read-alike: *The Searcher* by Tana French



Finlay Donovan Jumps the Gun by Elle Cosimano (Minotaur)

"Hip deep in trouble that just keeps getting deeper, Finlay and her nanny attend a citizen's police academy while trying to find out the true identity of EasyClean, the assassin who tried to kill her ex. New characters abound in this ongoing series, as does the non-stop zaniness."

—Cynthia Hunt, Amarillo Public Library, Amarillo, TX

Novelist read-alike: Sunshine Vicram series by Darynda Jones



How to Sell a Haunted House by Grady Hendrix (Berkley)

"When the reading of a will reveals that Louise's family estate was left to her brother, known for sinking cash into get-rich-quick schemes, Louise protests, leading to a torrent of otherworldly happenings. Hendrix ramps up the tension until you feel like your nerves are guitar strings ready to snap."

—Stephanie McKenna, Horsham Township Library, Horsham, PA

NoveList read-alike: *The Shadow Glass* by Joshua Winning



Just the Nicest Couple by Mary Kubica (Park Row)

"Nina and Lily work together as teachers who socialize outside of work with their husbands, Jake and Christian. However, both marriages are less than perfect, and when Jake goes missing, his disappearance changes things for all of them. This is a fast and intriguing read, great for the beach or a lazy day in bed."

— Rachelle Kuzyk, Chandler Public Library, Chandler, AZ

NoveList read-alike: Lie to Me by J.T. Ellison



Lost in the Moment and Found by Seanan McGuire (Tordotcom)

"This newest novella in the Wayward Children series packs a huge emotional punch. After Antsy's father dies, she becomes the target of a groomer. She runs away through a magical door to another world where lost things appear and magpies talk. Readers will root for this character who has lost so much yet still cares deeply for others. Hand this to fans of Roshani Choksi or Alix E. Harrow."

—Laura Eckert, Clermont County Public Library, Milford, OH

NoveList read-alike: Greenhollow Duology by Emily Tesh



The Mitford Affair by Marie Benedict (Sourcebooks Landmark)

"The Mitford sisters are the toast of 1930s British high society, but scandal erupts when Diana has an extramarital affair with the leader of the British fascists, and Unity insinuates herself into Hitler's inner circle. Eldest sister Nancy, a novelist, is torn between keeping peace in the family and speaking out about her sisters' political activities. For fans of Karen Harper and Gill Paul."

—Nanette Donohue, Champaign Public Library, Champaign, IL

NoveList read-alike: *The Bookseller's Secret* by Michelle Gable



The Villa: A Novel by Rachel Hawkins (St. Martin's Press)

"Mystery writer Emily reunites with her famous self-help guru friend Chess, who invites her to a beautiful Tuscan villa that was the scene of a brutal murder in the 1970s. The story flashes back to 1974 where Mari and her

stepsister Laura try to create their own art while surrounded by a rockstar and his guests. It had a great twist ending and evoked a gothic feel with tension in both timelines."

—Kathie Jackson, Sunrise Mountain Library, Peoria, AZ

Novelist read-alike: Home Before Dark by Riley Sager