

Boulder Bookies is a discussion group at the Boulder Public Library, meeting by Zoom usually on the third Friday of each month from 1:00 until 2:30 PM. All are welcome. Joining information: email john.dunn@colorado.edu.

2024 July-December Selections for Boulder Bookies

July 19, 2024

The Wager: A Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny and Murder, David Grann

On January 28, 1742, a ramshackle vessel of patched-together wood and cloth washed up on the coast of Brazil. Inside were thirty emaciated men, barely alive, and they had an extraordinary tale to tell.

August 16, 2024

Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow, Gabrielle Zevin

On a bitter-cold day, in the December of his junior year at Harvard, Sam Masur exits a subway car and sees, amid the hordes of people waiting on the platform, Sadie Green. He calls her name. For a moment, she pretends she hasn't heard him, but then, she turns, and a game begins: a legendary collaboration that will launch them to stardom.

September 20, 2024

James, Percival Everett

When the enslaved Jim overhears that he is about to be sold to a man in New Orleans, separated from his wife and daughter forever, he decides to hide on nearby Jackson Island until he can formulate a plan.

October 18, 2024

Less is Lost, Andrew Sean Greer

For Arthur Less, life is going surprisingly well: he is a moderately accomplished novelist in a steady relationship with his partner, Freddy Pelu. But nothing lasts: the death of an old lover and a sudden financial crisis has Less running away from his problems yet again as he accepts a series of literary gigs that send him on a zigzagging adventure across the US.

November 15, 2024 (second Friday)

Trust, Hernan Diaz

Even through the roar and effervescence of the 1920s, everyone in New York has heard of Benjamin and Helen Rask. He is a legendary Wall Street tycoon; she is the daughter of eccentric aristocrats. Together, they have risen to the very top of a world of seemingly endless wealth—all as a decade of excess and speculation draws to an end.

December 20, 2024

Sunset Park, Paul Auster

Set during the American financial recession in 2008, the college dropout Miles Heller, who has been running from his past for seven years, is forced to leave his new girlfriend in Florida and return home to New York City. There he unites with his old friend Bing who lives with two women in an abandoned home in the Sunset Park neighborhood in Brooklyn.

For a list of books read in the group at see <http://www.sackett.net/BoulderBookies.htm>.

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