More “Tried & True” Book Club Favorites:

*Once We Were Brothers* (Liam Taggart and Catherine Lockhart, 1) by Ronald H. *Balson* (St. Martin’s Griffin, 2013)

*The Mitford Affair* by Marie *Benedict* (Sourcebooks Landmark, 2023)

*The Lake on Fire* by Rosellen *Brown* (Sarabande Books, 2018)

*A Play for the End of the World* by Jai *Chakrabarti* (Knopf, 2021)

*A Small Sacrifice for an Enormous Happiness: Stories* by Jai *Chakrabarti* (Knopf, 2023)

*The Liar* by Ayelet *Gundar-Goshen* (Little, Brown, 2019)

*Wolf Hunt* by Ayelet *Gundar-Goshen* (Little, Brown, forthcoming August 15, 2023)


*A Guide for the Perplexed* by Dara *Horn* (W. W. Norton, 2013)

*People Love Dead Jews: Reports from a Haunted Present* by Dara *Horn* (W. W. Norton, 2021)

*Come to This Court and Cry: How the Holocaust Ends* by Linda *Kinstler* (PublicAffairs, 2022)


*The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* by James *McBride* (Riverhead Books, forthcoming August 8, 2023)

*Mother Daughter Traitor Spy* by Susan Elia *MacNeal* (Bantam, 2022)

*How To Find Your Way In The Dark* (A Sheldon Horowitz Novel, 1) by Derek B. *Miller* (Mariner Books, 2022)

*The Hired Girl* by Laura Amy *Schlitz* (Candlewick, 2015)

Know your audience: difficult books that will elicit strong reactions!

Fleishman Is in Trouble by Taffy Brodesser-Akner (Random House, 2019)


Cyclorama by Adam Langer (Bloomsbury, 2022)

Shanda: A Memoir of Shame and Secrecy by Letty Cottin Pogrebin (Post Hill Press, 2022)

Highly recommended children’s authors for visits

- Nancy Churnin
- Jacqueline Jules
- Ann Koffsky (on illustration)

Recordings of Rachel’s Author Zoom Events: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1QQ_EekL-LDIkDgIRQ3LVVOHYIGbt7D6?usp=sharing

Resources and contact information

Arielle Landau, Jewish Book Council: Arielle@jewishbooks.org

- JBC Book Club Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/groups/jbcbookclub

How to hold hybrid book clubs? A Meeting Owl, roughly $1,000, is widely recommended: https://owllabs.com/products/meeting-owl-3 But please note that reviews of this technology in the chat were mixed.

To access galleys:

- Edelweiss https://www.edelweissplus.com/for-librarians
- Netgalley https://www.netgalley.com/

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