

## Take the Fox Cities Book Festival Reading Challenge

Read to win free books written by this year's festival authors!

Place holds on books written by this year's festival authors. Wait for notification that the books are ready for you to pick up. Then pick them up at the entrance to the library. Festival events are always better when you've read the book!

Find more information at [www.menashalibrary.org/challenge](http://www.menashalibrary.org/challenge) You will be notified when you have a prize to pick up at the library entrance. Prizes will be awarded at the end of October.



October 2020

# Books & Beyond

Newsletter of the Elisha D. Smith Public Library in Menasha, Wisconsin



## 2020 Fox Cities Book Festival October 11 through October 18

Over 50 authors will join us for this year's virtual Fox Cities Book Festival. With authors from across the country in a variety of genres, there is one for every reader to enjoy. There will also be panels of authors and workshops for writers.

The festival kicks off on Sunday, October 11, with Kao Kalia Yang, the Hmong-American author of the NEA Big Read: 2020 Fox Cities Reads selection *The Latecomer: A Hmong Family Memoir*. In it, Yang shares her parents' harrowing escape from war in Laos, life in a Thai refugee camp, and their early years as immigrants to America. *The Latecomer* is a National Endowment for the Arts Big Read title, a 2020 Literature to Life book, and a Minnesota Book Award winner.

This year's festival is completely online. [Register now](http://foxcitiesbookfestival.org) at [foxcitiesbookfestival.org](http://foxcitiesbookfestival.org). You will find instructions there on how to register for festival events. Those who register will take part in Zoom meetings with the authors and be able to ask questions. The presentations will also be live-streamed on the festival's Facebook page, with the talks being available to view for 24 hours. If you are uncertain about the process, call us at 920.967.3690.

See the back page to take the 2020 Fox Cities Book Festival Reading Challenge.

## Online Presentation - News, Fake News and Spin: Deciding Who to Trust in the Age of Disinformation

Tuesday, October 6, at 6:30pm

Michael Edmonds will explain how to recognize bias, propaganda, fake news, and filter bubbles. He will show you how to analyze messages, evaluate arguments, assess evidence, and locate reliable sources – skills that are more important than ever in this election year.

Register by [October 1](#) to receive the link to this program, be able to ask questions, and receive other supporting materials. Call 920.967.3690 or email us at [reference@menashalibrary.org](mailto:reference@menashalibrary.org)



## Mindfulness for All

Thursday, October 8 & 22, at 7:00pm

Feeling stressed? Learn how to feel more calm, feel more rested, manage stress, and open your mind. These workshops focus on the basics of the Koru mindfulness program, which was developed at Duke University. Find us on Facebook @MenashaLibrary or watch later at [www.menashalibrary.org/vimeo](http://www.menashalibrary.org/vimeo)

## Get Help with Schoolwork!

Get help any day between noon and midnight from a friendly, knowledgeable tutor. FREE with your Elisha D. Smith Public Library card. It's easy. Use your card number to create your account at [www.menashalibrary.org/tutor](http://www.menashalibrary.org/tutor) Trouble signing up? call 920.967.3690.



## Pumpkin Carving — Next Level

Thursday, October 15, at 7:00pm

Step up your jack-o'-lanterns this season! Art Instructor Erin Culligan will show us how to carve a fun, creative, and amazing pumpkin. Tune in to our Facebook live presentation (@MenashaLibrary) or watch this workshop later at : [www.menashalibrary.org/vimeo](http://www.menashalibrary.org/vimeo)

### Materials Needed

Pumpkin. Medium-large. Flat base, sturdy stem, ripe  
Dry-erase marker / Pencil & Pen / Pencil  
Stencil – available a week prior to the event on library's website  
Newspaper to cover working surface Serrated knife  
LED candle or regular tea light candle. Spoon – spatula  
Carving with small children: Use permanent markers for them to decorate their own design.

## Community Blood Drive

October 12, from 3:00 to 5:00pm

The Community Blood Center will be here with their mobile unit. Call us at 920.967.3690 for an appointment. Eat a good meal. Drink water. Bring photo identification and a medication list, if you take medications.



## Virtual Family Roots Wisconsin Meeting

Saturday, October 17, at 9:00am

Thomas MacEntee from High Definition Genealogy will present a webinar entitled "Successful Collateral and Cluster Research" with remarkable genealogy tips.

Chromebooks are available for checkout from the library if you need one to attend. To participate, join the meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone by clicking on the links at [www.menashalibrary.org/roots](http://www.menashalibrary.org/roots) Call 920.967.3690 if you have questions.

## Drive-Up Service

Place holds on materials in the library catalog at:

[www.menashalibrary.org/catalog](http://www.menashalibrary.org/catalog)

Or get the Winnefox app.

Or call 920.967.3670 for children's materials or 920.967.3690 for materials for adults or young adults.

Or request materials at [www.menashalibrary.org/request](http://www.menashalibrary.org/request)

When you receive a notice that they are available, pick them up from the library entrance.

## Appointments

Make an appointment to use the library. Call 920.967.3690 to:

- ▶ use an internet computer.
- ▶ get help on a computer.
- ▶ make a photocopy.
- ▶ send a fax.
- ▶ print something.
- ▶ have something notarized.
- ▶ have a test proctored.
- ▶ fill out the Census.
- ▶ register to vote/request an absentee ballot.

A face mask is required.

## Your Digital Library

Library patrons have more options than ever to use their library online.

- ▶ Wisconsin's Digital Library
- ▶ Hoopla
- ▶ Kanopy
- ▶ New York Times
- ▶ CreativeBug
- ▶ Gale Courses
- ▶ Genealogy resources
- ▶ Business resources
- ▶ Employment Help Center
- ▶ Learn a Language

Start at [www.menashalibrary.org/digital](http://www.menashalibrary.org/digital) and choose from these and many other resources.

All services at the Elisha D. Smith Public Library are free and for everyone. Those with special needs are encouraged to call the library office at 920.967.3662 within 24 hours of an event to assure that specific needs with regards to parking are met.

Todos los servicios de la Biblioteca Elisha D. Smith son gratuitos y para todos. Aquellos con necesidades especiales pueden llamar a la oficina de la biblioteca 920.967.3662 con 24 horas de anticipación a un evento para asegurar que las necesidades específicas de parqueo, acceso al edificio o acceso a las salas de reunión puedan ser satisfechas.



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## Mo Willems Fall Reading

Now through October 31

Kids age 3 through 5th grade — sign up for the Mo Willems Reading Club. Read a little each day and collect all 8 scented bookmarks, a book, and free coupons curbside at the end of the program. Prize pickup starts November 3 and will be available for two weeks. Register or sign in at [menashalibrary.beanstack.org](http://menashalibrary.beanstack.org)

All programs are live-streamed on Facebook @MenashaLibrary

### Baby Story Times

Friday, October 2 & 9, at 10:00am

Rhymes, songs, and stories for babies birth to two years old and their caregivers. These story times provide preschool readiness and build large motor skills.

### Family Story Times

Mondays, October 5, 12, 19, & 26, at 10:00am

Tuesdays, October 6, 13, 20, & 27, at 10:00am

A story time series perfect for children from birth through age six with their caring adult. Stories, songs, learning, concepts, numbers, letters, shapes, large and small motor skills, and fun are all part of this half hour weekly event.

### Yoga Story Time

Friday, October 16, at 10:00am

Simple yoga poses with a story for preschoolers.

### Boo! Happy Halloween Rondini Magic Show

Friday, October 23, at 10:00am

A virtual Halloween magic show for all ages by the Master of Magic: Rondini, accompanied by Einstein the German bunny. Watch live on Facebook @MenashaLibrary



### Bilingual Story Time

Do you like stories read in English and Spanish? Check out our Facebook page with Mr. Victor for stories, puppets, and projects: @BibliotecaPublicadeMenasha

### Take & Make a Craft

Call us at 920.967.3670 to register for the monthly Take & Make a Craft. Let us know how many you need for your household. Free! Pick up your monthly craft at the library entrance. Go to [www.menashalibrary.org/takeandmake](http://www.menashalibrary.org/takeandmake) for more information.

## Recommended for Children

Call 920.967.3670 to place a hold on these books, ask for a pack of books to be set aside for you to pick up.

### Asha and the Spirit Bird by Jasbinder Bilan

Asha lives in the foothills of the Himalayas. Money is tight and Papa is always working in the city. But suddenly Papa is gone, and bad people ransack her home. Asha and her best friend Jeevan must embark on a dangerous journey to make things right.



### The Dragon Thief by Zetta Elliott

Stealing a baby dragon is easy. Hiding it is a little more complicated, and it's growing so fast! Jaxon must outsmart a trickster named Blue and return the baby dragon to its true home.



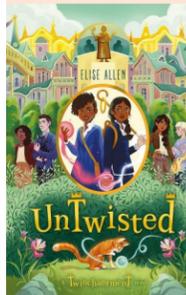
### Gold Rush Girl by Avi

Newbery Medalist Avi writes another historical adventure set in untamed, lawless San Francisco during the 1848 gold rush. We meet a willful heroine plunged into a dangerous adventure. Victoria stows away on a westbound ship, but her brother is kidnapped, and it is up to her to save him.



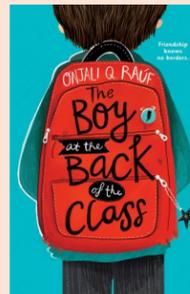
### Untwisted by Elise Allen

Princesses Sara and Flissa make a triumphant return from the Twists and begin school at Maldevon Academy, but not everyone welcomes them. There is a plot afoot. Will the twins catch the culprit? This is the conclusion to the Twinchmentment series.



### Boy at the Back of the Class by Onjali Rauf

The new kid Ahmet is a refugee who has run away from a war. Can friends Josie, Michael, and Tom develop a plan to help Ahmet by standing up for him and find him a place to call home?



### Race to the Sun by Rebecca Roanhorse

Nizhoni is a Navajo girl who can see monsters disguised as humans. When her father disappears, Nizhoni comes to the rescue through a series of harrowing adventures. Indigenous themes and culture are highlighted in this exciting and humorous adventure.



## New Fiction

### A Burning by Megha Majumdar

An opportunistic gym teacher and a starry-eyed misfit find the realization of their ambitions tied to the downfall of an innocent Muslim girl who has been wrongly implicated in a terrorist attack.



### Acceptable Risk by Lynette Eason

Barely back home after being held hostage overseas, journalist Sarah Denning digs for the truth behind her brother's death with the help of former Army Ranger Gavin Black.



### Come Again by Robert Webb

Falling apart after her husband dies suddenly, Kate reawakens as her 18-year-old self on the day she first met her husband and embarks on a second chance to reexperience their love and save his life.



### Eliza Starts a Rumor by Jane Rosen

Clinging to the community bulletin board she created 15 years earlier, a housewife struggling with agoraphobia engages in fabricated gossip to keep the site more interesting before community member lives are upended by personal setbacks.



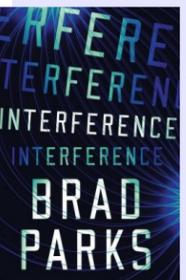
### How the Penguins Saved Veronica by Hazel Prior

A curmudgeonly but charming old woman, her estranged grandson, and a colony of penguins proves it's never too late to be the person you want to be in this rich, heartwarming story.



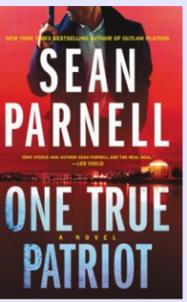
### Interference by Brad Parks

When her husband, a quantum physicist, goes missing in the midst of a strange, violent seizure, Brigid Bronik discovers that his research had gained unwanted attention and if the very same physics that endangered him could be used to save his life.



### One True Patriot by Sean Parnell

Special operative Eric Steele hunts a foreign assassin targeting top-tier US military personnel in the third electrifying military thriller by the New York Times bestselling author of *All Out War*.



### No Offense by Meg Cabot

A sequel to *No Judgments* finds a broken-hearted Molly relocating to a library in the Florida Keys before the discovery of an abandoned newborn leads to an unexpected partnership with an arrogant town sheriff.



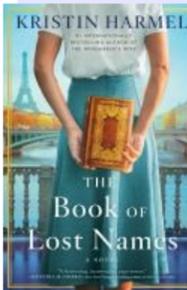
### Sisters by Daisy Johnson

Moving in the aftermath of a school bullying incident to an abandoned family home near the shore, two fiercely loyal siblings find the nature of their bond changing in the wake of a series of revelatory encounters.



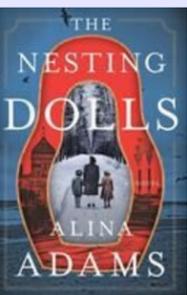
### The Book of Lost Names by Kristin Harmel

Escaping from Paris in 1942 after the arrest of her father, a Polish Jew, a graduate student finds refuge in a small mountain town, where she forges identity documents to help hundreds of Jewish children flee the Nazis.



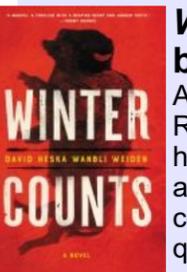
### The Nesting Dolls by Alina Adams

Spanning 1930s Siberia to contemporary Brighton Beach, a family saga finds three generations of women in a Jewish-Russian family making fateful choices in their respective efforts to break free from historical dynamics and pursue personal fulfillment.



### Winter Counts by David Heska Wanbli Weiden

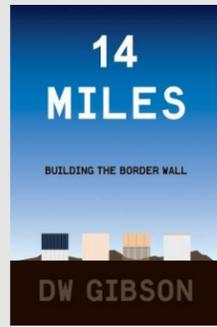
A vigilante enforcer on South Dakota's Rosebud Indian Reservation enlists the help of an ex to investigate the activities of an expanding drug cartel, while a new tribal council initiative raises controversial questions.



## New NonFiction

### **14 Miles: Building the Border Wall** by DW Gibson

An esteemed journalist delivers a compelling on-the-ground account of the construction of President Trump's border wall in San Diego—and the impact on the lives of local residents.



### **A Good Apology** by Molly Howes

Through its four essential steps, *A Good Apology* gives groundbreaking advice on how best to make an effective apology toward rebuilding any relationship.

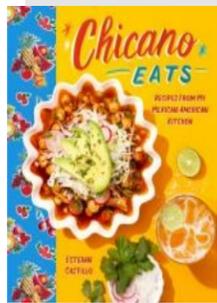
### **Attracting Birds and Butterflies** by Barbara Ellis

A quick-reference guide to attracting birds and butterflies for gardeners with little experience and time. This lavishly illustrated guide shows which plants attract which creatures, and how to plant and care for them.



### **Chicano Eats** by Esteban Castillo

Esteban Castillo, creator of the award-winning blog Chicano Eats, takes readers on a delicious tour of the diverse flavors and food of Mexican-American cuisine. Chicano culture is presented through more than 80 authentic Mexican and fusion recipes as gorgeous to look at as they are sublime to eat.



### **Good Clean Beauty** by Caroline Bercaw

Teen sisterpreneurs™ Isabel and Caroline Bercaw give readers over 100 simple beauty and skin care recipes made from common ingredients found in the kitchen pantry. Using only natural ingredients such as cocoa butter, almond oil, essential oils, and oats, you'll know exactly what you're putting onto your face and body.



### **How I Resist : Activism and Hope for a New Generation** by Maureen Johnson

In *How I Resist*, readers will find hope and support through voices that are at turns personal, funny, irreverent, and instructive. Not just for a young adult audience, this incredibly impactful collection will appeal to readers of all ages who are feeling adrift and looking for guidance.



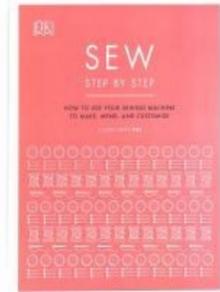
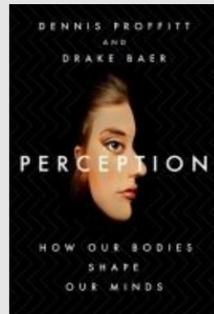
### **One-day DIY : Modern Farmhouse Furniture** by J.P. Strate

In their debut book, JP Strate and Liz Spillman, creators of the popular DIY YouTube channel The Rehab Life, bring over 20 new beginner-friendly furniture projects to your home. Their distinctive style pairs clean, contemporary designs with natural wood and warm stains to give your space that urban farmhouse look.



### **Perception** by Dennis Proffitt

A groundbreaking popular psychology book that explores the deep connection between our body and our brain. Over decades of study, University of Virginia psychologist Dennis Proffitt has shown that the size and shape of the things we see are scaled to the size of our bodies.

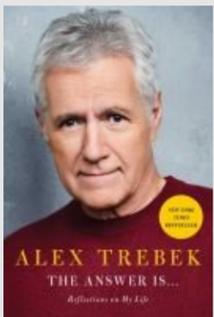


### **Sew Step by Step** by Alison Smith

If you've never used a sewing machine before, or if you want to refresh your skills, *Sew Step by Step* gives you the essentials.

### **The Answer Is ... Reflections on my Life** by Alex Trebek

Longtime Jeopardy! host and television icon Alex Trebek reflects on his life and career.



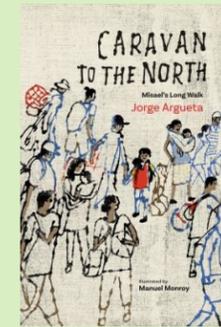
## New Arrivals

Place a hold on any of these books in the catalog using your library card or call us at 920.967.3690 to make arrangements to pick them up at the library.

## Young Adult

### **Caravan to the North** by Jorge Argueta

This novel in verse is a powerful first-person account of Misael Martínez, a Salvadoran boy whose family joins the caravan heading north to the United States.



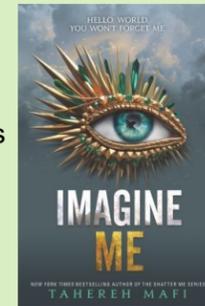
### **The Henna Wars** by Adiba Jaigirdar

Nishat doesn't want to lose her family, but she also doesn't want to hide who she is, and it only gets harder once a childhood friend walks back into her life. Flavia is beautiful and charismatic, and Nishat falls for her instantly.



### **Imagine Me** by Tahereh Mafi

A conclusion to the best-selling series finds Juliette, using the identity of "Ella," teaming up with Warner to secure their future together by bringing down the Reestablishment.



### **Rules for Being a Girl** by Candace Bushnell

Marin has always been good at navigating these unspoken guidelines. Marin's future seems bright—and her young, charismatic English teacher, Mr. Beckett, is always quick to admire her writing and talk books with her. But when "Bex" takes things too far and comes on to Marin, she's shocked and horrified.



### **Swipe Right for Murder** by Derek Milman

An epic case of mistaken identity puts a teen looking for a hookup on the run from both the FBI and a murderous cult in this compulsively readable thriller.



## New Large Print

### **Christmas Cupcake Murder** by Joanne Fluke

As December turns Lake Eden into the North Pole, the heat is on in Hannah Swensen's kitchen to honor two Christmas promises: baking irresistible holiday cupcakes and preventing a person who attempted murder from succeeding the second time around!



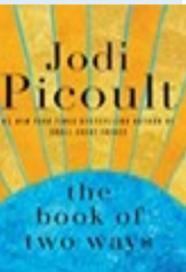
### **The Brightest Star** by Fern Michaels

Christmas is more than just a celebration for Lauren Montgomery. For generations, it's been her family's livelihood. Their Christmas shop, Razzle Dazzle Décor, has seen seasonal fads come and go, but there's one trend they can't escape. Online superstores are swallowing their sales, and this Christmas season will need to be their best ever if the store is to stay in business.



### **The Book of Two Ways** by Jody Picoult

Everything changes in a single moment for Dawn Edelstein. She's on a plane when the flight attendant makes an announcement: Prepare for a crash landing. She braces herself as thoughts flash through her mind. The shocking thing is, the thoughts are not of her husband but of a man she last saw fifteen years ago: Wyatt Armstrong.



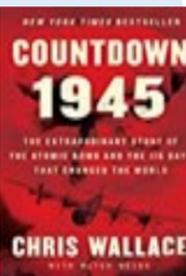
### **An Irish Country Welcome** by Patrick Taylor

Young doctor Barry Laverty and his wife Sue are anxiously awaiting their first child, but as the community itself prepares to welcome a new decade, the closing months of the 1960s bring more than a televised moon landing to Barry, his friends, his neighbors, and his patients, including a number of sticky questions.



### **Countdown to 1945** by Chris Wallace

From the veteran journalist and anchor of *Fox News Sunday*, comes an electrifying behind-the-scenes account of the secret meetings and events across the globe during the 116 days leading up to the world's first use of the atomic bomb in wartime--the American attack on Hiroshima on August 6, 1945.



## New Mysteries

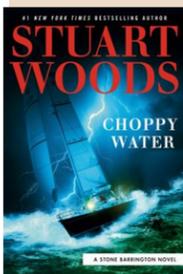
### **Cardiff by the Sea** by Joyce Carol Oates

In this novella, an academic in Pennsylvania discovers a terrifying trauma from her past after inheriting a house in Cardiff, Maine, from someone she has never heard of. Mia, the protagonist of "Miao Dao", is a pubescent girl overcome with loneliness, who befriends a feral cat that becomes her protector from the increasingly aggressive males that surround her.



### **Choppy Water** by Stuart Woods

Stone Barrington and his friends are vacationing in Maine when their leisure is suddenly disrupted by extreme weather. To make matters worse, the inclement conditions allow for a menacing adversary to sneak in unnoticed and deliver a chilling message. Soon it becomes clear that the target of the incident is one of Stone's closest companions, and that these enemies have a grander scheme in mind.



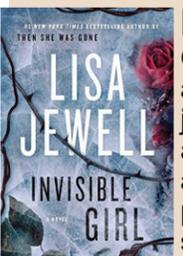
### **Confessions on the 7:45** by Lisa Unger

Selena Murphy is commuting home from her job in the city when the train stalls out on the tracks. She strikes up a conversation with a beautiful stranger in the next seat, and their connection is fast and easy. The woman introduces herself as Martha and confesses that she's been stuck in an affair with her boss. Selena, in turn, confesses that she suspects her husband is sleeping with the nanny. When the train arrives at Selena's station, the two women part ways, presumably never to meet again.



### **Invisible Girl** by Lisa Jewell

Owen Pick's life is falling apart. In his thirties and living in his aunt's spare bedroom, he has just been suspended from his job as a teacher after accusations of sexual misconduct—accusations he strongly denies. Searching for professional advice online, he is inadvertently sucked into the dark world of incel forums, where he meets a charismatic and mysterious figure.



### **The Midwife Murders** by James Patterson

To Senior Midwife Lucy Ryan, pregnancy is not an unusual condition, it's her life's work. But when two kidnappings and a vicious stabbing happen on her watch in a university hospital in Manhattan, her focus abruptly changes.



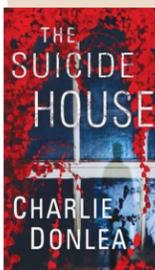
### **The Shadows** by Alex North

You knew a teenager like Charlie Crabtree. A dark imagination, a sinister smile--always on the outside of the group. Some part of you suspected he might be capable of doing something awful. Twenty-five years ago, Crabtree did just that, committing a murder so shocking that it's attracted that strange kind of infamy that only exists on the darkest corners of the internet--and inspired more than one copycat.



### **The Suicide House** by Charlie Donlea

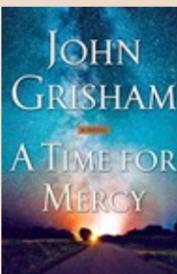
A chilling murder in a prestigious prep school is at the heart of this riveting new suspense novel for fans of Lucy Foley and Ruth Ware. Forensic reconstructionist Rory Moore and her psychologist partner, Lane Phillips, must chase down the truth behind the ghastly killings featured on the hit true crime podcast sweeping the nation.



Can they uncover the hidden secrets of the school and the psychology of a killer before the next episode airs?

### **A Time for Mercy** by John Grisham

Jake Brigance finds himself embroiled in a deeply divisive trial when the court appoints him attorney for Drew Gamble, a timid sixteen-year-old boy accused of murdering a local deputy. Many in Clanton want a swift trial and the death penalty, but Brigance digs in and discovers that there is more to the story than meets the eye. Jake's fierce commitment to saving Drew from the gas chamber puts his career, his financial security, and the safety of his family on the line.



### **Next to Last Stand** by Craig Johnson

One of the most viewed paintings in American history, Custer's Last Fight, copied and distributed by Anheuser-Busch at a rate of over two million copies a year, was destroyed in a fire at the 7th Cavalry Headquarters in Fort Bliss, Texas, in 1946. Or was it? When Charley Lee Stillwater dies of an apparent heart attack at the Wyoming Home for Soldiers & Sailors, Walt Longmire is called in to try and make sense of a piece of a painting and a Florsheim shoebox containing a million dollars, sending the good sheriff on the trail of a dangerous art heist.



## DVDs

### **A Simple Wedding**

A young Iranian-American woman goes to great lengths to appease her parents and their need to see her settled down.



### **Body Cam**

When a routine traffic stop results in the unexplained, grisly death of her colleague, a cop realizes footage of the incident will play for her eyes only. As the attacks mount, she races to understand the supernatural force behind them.

### **Emperor**

An escaped slave travels north and has chance encounters with Frederick Douglass and John Brown. Based on the life story of Shields Green.



### **How to Build a Girl**

A teenager living with her working-class family on a council estate in Wolverhampton, England, grows up to become a popular but conflicted music journalist.

### **Infamous**

Two young lovers rob their way across the southland, posting their exploits to social media, and gaining fame and followers as a result.



### **Marriage Story**

Noah Baumbach's incisive and compassionate look at a marriage breaking up and a family staying together.

### **Military Wives**

With their partners away serving in Afghanistan, a group of women on the home front form a choir and quickly find themselves at the center of a media sensation and global movement.



### **The Night Clerk**

The hotel night clerk, Bart Bromley, is a highly intelligent young man on the Autism spectrum. When a woman is murdered during his shift, Bart becomes the prime suspect.



### **Resistance**

The story of mime Marcel Marceau as he works with a group of Jewish boy scouts and the French Resistance to save the lives of ten thousand orphans during World War II.



### **Sean Bean on Waterloo**

For the 200th anniversary of Waterloo, Lord of the Rings actor Sean Bean tells the story of one of history's bloodiest battles through the eyes of the soldiers who fought it.



### **Survive the Night**

A disgraced doctor and his family are held hostage at their home by criminals on the run, when a robbery-gone-awry requires them to seek immediate medical attention.

### **The Trip to Greece**

Actors Rob Brydon and Steve Coogan travel from Troy to Ithaca following in the footsteps of Odysseus. On the way, they argue about tragedy and comedy, astronomy and biology, myth, history, democracy, and the meaning of life!



### **Valley of the Gods**

This film entwines Navajo lore with a reclusive billionaire and his would-be biographer, creating a fascinating, mysterious and idiosyncratic vision of America.