

## HILLSBORO COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS

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### Welcome Back!

We are pleased to announce after a historic fifteen months that the Library will reopen for in-person visits on **Friday, June 4, 2012**. Please note the opening days and times below.

In an abundance of caution, we are asking all patrons to wear a mask in the Library rooms regardless of vaccination status while we take the first steps toward normalized social encounters in our community.

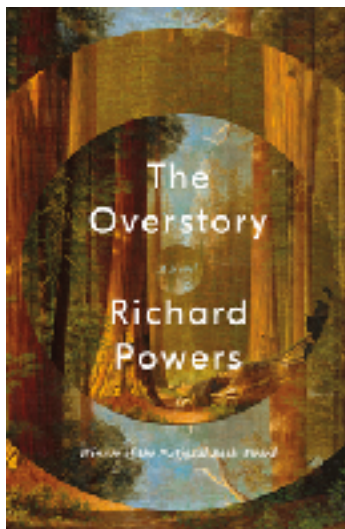
We are looking forward to seeing and serving all of our patrons once again with books, DVDs, internet and phone access, and live human interaction. Welcome back!

### Featured this Month

#### *The Overstory* by Richard Powers

Winner of 2019 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, *The Overstory* has one of the most unique sets of characters in all of fiction: trees. With remarkable artistry and lyrical prose, Powers tell their story through the converging and overlapping experiences of nine human beings whose lives become entwined in a kind of allegory of the way that a forest, made of individual trees, comes together as a community.

In the first section of the novel, “Roots” we meet separately the nine humans early on in their lives: Nick Hoel, the descendent of pioneer family with a rare surviving American chestnut tree; Mimi Ma, daughter of a Chinese immigrant, whose life is marked by a mulberry; Neelay Mehta, who is crippled in childhood by a fall from a tree; Ray and Dorothy Brinkman, whose marriage is consummated not in children but in anniversary trees; Adam Appich, whose father plants a maple in honor of his birth; Douglas Pavlicek, a decorated Vietnam veteran whose life is saved by a banyan tree; Patricia Westerford, a forestry biologist with a revolutionary and reviled theory; and Olivia Vandergriff, resurrected from an accident as a mystic eco-protestor named Maidenhair.



In the middle section, “Trunk,” the characters’ lives converge in realizations about the parallel, unseen lives of the trees around them and in the efforts of some of the characters to rescue old growth forests from the clearcutting of the modern timber industry.

The last section “Crown” reveals the consequences in each of the characters’ lives of their awakenings to the nonhuman lives around them, their place in nature, and the actions they have taken to come into closer harmony.

The epilogue “Seeds” offers a glimpse of the future that pertains also to the reader.

Powers’s prose is beautiful and powerful. His title “Overstory” refers not only to the highest canopy of the forest but to the encompassing story of interconnection between human beings and the environment and its importance to life on Earth.

### Library Hours:

**Sunday & Monday:** closed

**Tuesday** ~ 3:00pm - 6:00pm

**Friday** ~ 10:00am -1:00pm

**Saturday** ~ 12:00pm - 2:00pm

*Per HCC regulations, please wear your mask.*

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## New at the Library

### Fiction

**Quicksilver** by Toni Dwiggin  
**The Vanishing Half** by Brit Bennett  
**The Pain and the Sorrow** by Loretta Miles Tollefson  
**The Night Watchman** by Louise Erdrich  
**Parable of the Sower** by Octavia Butler  
**Parable of the Talents** by Octavia Butler  
**The Water Knife** by Paolo Bacigalupi  
**Dark Sky** by CJ Box  
**The Book of Longings** by Sue Monk Kidd  
**The Invention of Wings** by Sue Monk Kidd  
**The Prophet** by Kahlil Gibran  
**Son of a Trickster** by Eden Robinson  
**Elastoe** by Darcie Little Badger  
**The Force** by Don Winslow  
**The Handmaid's Tale** by Margaret Atwood  
**Turtles All the Way Down** by John Green  
**The Light Between Oceans** by M.L Stedman  
**A Gentleman in Moscow** by Amor Towles  
**Let the Midnight Special** by Chuck Barrett

### DVDs

**Island at War ...Enemy at the door**  
**Fearless ... Unbreakable ...Annie**  
**A French Village. In French w/subtitles**  
**Inspector Manara In Italian w/subtitles**  
**Erin Brockovich ...What Women Want**  
**Overboard ...The Chronicles of Riddick**

### Audio Books

**The Plague of Doves** by Louise Erdrich  
**State of Fear** by Michael Crichton  
**Robert Ludlum's the Janson Command** by Paul Garrison

### Mystery

**Stargazer** by Anne Hillerman  
**The Shooting at Chateau Rock** by Martin Walker  
**Trace Elements** by Donna Leon  
**Next to Last Stand** by Craig Johnson  
**The Pot Thief who Studied the Woman at Otowi Crossing** by J. Michael Orenduff

### Nonfiction

**The Last Cowboys: A Pioneering Family in the New West** by John Branch  
**Coyota in the Kitchen** by Anita Rodriguez  
**Janis. Her life and Music** by Holly George-Warren  
**The Story of More** by Hope Jahren  
**Mysterious New Mexico** by Benjamin Radford  
**Facts and Fears** by James R. Clapper  
**One Life** by Megan Rapinoe  
**Trellises and Arbors** by Steve Cory  
**Lady Long Rider** by Bernice Ende  
**Writing Down Your Soul** by Janet Conner  
**Preparation and Propagation of Vines** by Fredric T. Bioletti  
**Straw Bale Gardens** by Joel Karsten  
**Rise of the Warrior Cop** by Radley Balko  
**A Mine of Her Own** by Sally Zanjani  
**Bunty's Wars** by Ida Greene  
**Crafting with Alcohol Inks** by Allison Murray  
**Surrender, White People!** by D.L. Hughley  
**Embree (Sonny) Hale of Sierra County, New Mexico** by Hillsboro Historical Society  
**Growing Food in the Southwest Mountains** by Lisa Rayner

**THE BAKE SALE IS BACK!!!!**

**Saturday, June 5 in front of the PO!**  
Please **don't crowd** the table and do **mask up**  
—until you eat those cookies!

For a complete listing of Library materials, visit  
<http://www.hillsborocommunitylibrary.com>

### Bookmobile Schedule

**Thursday, June 17**

Hillsboro Post Office 1:45pm – 2:15pm

*For important information, please refer to:*  
<http://www.nmstatelibrary.org/direct-and-rural-services/rural-bookmobiles> and click on Bookmobile West Schedule

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