



Annotated List of New Resources at The Kaufman Silverberg Library

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Adult /High School Judaic Fiction

The book of Esther: a novel, by Emily Barton. In a counterfactual world resembling the 1930s, the state of Khazaria, an isolated nation of warrior Jews, is under attack by the Germanii. Esther, the precocious daughter of Khazaria's chief policy advisor, sets out on a quest to ensure the survival of her homeland. **Call number: Z FIC BAR**

Girl in the blue coat, by Monica Hesse. In 1943 Nazi-occupied Amsterdam, teenage Hanneke--a 'finder' of black market goods--is tasked with finding a Jewish girl a customer had been hiding, who has seemingly vanished into thin air, and is pulled into a web of resistance activities and secrets as she attempts to solve the mystery and save the missing girl. **Call number: Z YA FIC HES**

Nightfall over Shanghai: a novel, by Daniel Kalla. Gripping and poignant, this is the epic final chapter in Daniel Kalla's wartime trilogy, bringing to an unforgettable conclusion the story begun in "The Far Side of the Sky" and "Rising Sun, Falling Shadow." **Call number: Z FIC KAL**

General Non Fiction

From kitchen to Carnegie Hall: Ethel Stark and the Montreal Women's Symphony Orchestra, by Maria Noriega Rachwal. Tells about the life of Ethel Stark, the co-founder and conductor of the Montreal Women's Symphony Orchestra. Explains how her work opened doors of equal opportunity for marginalized groups and played an important role in breaking gender stereotypes in the Canadian music world. **Call number: 784.2082 RAC**

General Fiction

The art of picking up girls (and other dangerous things), by Eric Walters. Graham Fox is reeling after breakings up with his girlfriend and moving to a new city, and school, in his senior year, but he soon finds himself playing wingman to Ethan Frost, who seems to have the art of meeting girls down to a science. Distracted from his own pain, Graham finds himself absorbing the "lessons" from Ethan, turning meeting girls into a game. That is, until he meets someone who challenges everything Ethan has taught him. **Call number: YA FIC WAL**

The cost of all things, by Maggie Lehrman. When her boyfriend dies, a grieving Ari uses a spell to erase her memories of him, but this spell triggers a series of events that reveal hidden, and sometimes dangerous, connections between her friends and the boyfriend she no longer remembers. **Call number: YA FIC LEH**

The distance from me to you, by Marina Gessner. McKenna and her best friend planned for over a year to defer their freshman year of college to hike the Appalachian Trail all the way from Maine to Georgia, so when her friend backs out McKenna embarks alone on a physical and emotional journey that will change her life forever. **Call number: YA FIC GES**

Finding Audrey: a novel, by Sophie Kinsella. Fourteen-year-old Audrey is making slow but steady progress dealing with her anxiety disorder when Linus comes into the picture and her recovery gains momentum. **Call number: YA FIC KIN**

If I fix you, by Abigail Johnson. When Jill's mother unceremoniously leaves her family for reasons only Jill knows, Jill tries to piece her life together with the help of new guy Daniel, who has scars on the inside and out. **Call number: YA FIC JOH**

The last little blue envelope, by Maureen Johnson. Seventeen-year-old Ginny Blackstone precipitously travels from her home in New Jersey to London when she receives a message from an unknown man telling her he has the letters that were stolen just before she completed a series of mysterious tasks assigned by her now dead aunt, an artist. **Call number: YA FIC JOH**

The last time we were us, by Leah Konen. Liz Grant is about to have the summer of her life. She and her friend MacKenzie are getting invited to all the best parties, and with any luck, Innis Taylor, the most gorgeous guy in Bonneville, will be her boyfriend before the Fourth of July. Jason Sullivan wasn't supposed to come back from juvie. A million years ago, he was her best friend, but that was before he ditched her for a different crowd. Liz always found it hard to believe what they said about Jason, but all of Bonneville thinks he's dangerous. If word gets out she's seeing him, she could lose everything. But what if there's more to that horrible night than she knows? And how many more people will get hurt when the truth finally comes out? **Call number: YA FIC KON**

Openly straight, by Bill Konigsberg. Tired of being known as "the gay kid", Rafe Goldberg decides to assume a new persona when he comes east and enters an elite Massachusetts prep school--but trying to deny his identity has both complications and unexpected consequences. **Call number: YA FIC KON**

Playlist for the dead, by Michelle Falkoff. After his best friend, Hayden, commits suicide, fifteen-year-old Sam is determined to find out why--using the clues in the playlist Hayden left for him. **Call number: YA FIC FAL**

The porcupine of truth, by Bill Konigsberg. Seventeen-year-old Carson Speier is bored of Billings, Montana, and resentful that he has to help his mother take care of his father, a dying alcoholic whom he has not seen in fourteen years--but then he meets Aisha, a beautiful African American girl who has run away from her own difficult family, and together they embark on a journey of discovery that may help them both come to terms with their lives. **Call number: YA FIC KON**

Pushing perfect, by Michelle Falkoff. Although she seems to have the perfect life, Kara is caught up with a group whose secrets threaten to ruin her perfectly planned future. **Call number: YA FIC FAL**

The rains, by Gregg Hurwitz. In one terrifying night, the peaceful community of Creek's Cause turns into a war zone. No one under the age of eighteen is safe. Chance Rain and his older brother, Patrick, have already fended off multiple attacks from infected adults by the time they arrive at the school where other young survivors are hiding. Most of the kids they know have been dragged away by once-trusted adults who are now ferocious, inhuman beings. The parasite that transformed them takes hold after people turn eighteen--and Patrick's birthday is only a few days away. **Call number: YA FIC HUR**

Reality boy, by A.S. King. An emotionally damaged seventeen-year-old boy in Pennsylvania, who was once an infamous reality television show star, meets a girl from another dysfunctional family, and she helps him out of his angry shell. **Call number: YA FIC KIN**

The start of me and you, by Emery Lord. Paige Hancock starts junior year with a list of ways to take back her life, rather than spending another year as "The Girl Whose Boyfriend Drowned," and finding out that Ryan Chase, her long-term crush, is available again might be the key. **Call number: YA FIC LOR**

There will be lies, by Nick Lake. Shelby Cooper, nearly eighteen, has been overprotected by her single mother all her life, but after a car accident Shelby's life is transformed not only by the discovery of secrets about herself, but also by trips into "The Dreaming," where she is sent on a heroic quest wrapped in Native American mythology. **Call number: YA FIC LAK**

Thirteen little blue envelopes, by Maureen Johnson. When seventeen-year-old Ginny receives a packet of mysterious envelopes from her favorite aunt, she leaves New Jersey to criss-cross Europe on a sort of scavenger hunt that transforms her life.

Call number: YA FIC JOH

Unbecoming, by Jenny Downham. Life has just become very complicated for seventeen-year-old Katie; her father walked out a year ago, her mother is stressed out, her brother is a "special needs" teenager, and she is caring for the maternal grandmother she has never met, who is suffering from Alzheimer's--and Katie has a secret of her own that she cannot reveal. **Call number: YA FIC DOW**

For Middle Years Students and Younger Readers

Judaic Books for Young Readers

Dear Tree: a Tu B'Shevat wish, by Doba Rivka Weber. In honor of Tu B'Shvat, a little boy has so many good wishes for his beloved, favorite tree. **Call number: J 296.439 WEB**

Gifts from the enemy, by Trudy Ludwig. Alter Wiener, a teen survivor of five Nazi prison camps during World War II, tells of a time when an unexpected person demonstrated moral courage in repeated acts of kindness toward him. **Call number: J 940.53 LUD**

Hanukkah in Alaska, by Barbara Brown. A little girl describes the short, harsh days of winter in Alaska and her efforts to keep a moose from destroying trees and the swing in her backyard, which she finally succeeds in doing with the help of a Hanukkah treat.

Call number: J 296.435 BRO

Jars of hope: how one woman helped save 2,500 children during the Holocaust, by Jennifer Roy. Tells Irena Sendler's story of saving 2,500 children during the Holocaust.

Call number: J 940.53 ROY

Kippi and the missing matzah: a Sesame Street Passover, by Louise Gikow. Kippi the Porcupine, visiting from Israel, makes a Passover seder for all of his friends on Sesame Street.

Call number: J 296.437 GIK

When Mindy saved Hanukkah, by Eric A. Kimmel. A tiny Jewish family living behind the wall of a synagogue must battle a frightening cat if they want candles for their Hanukkah menorah.

Call number: J 296.435 KIM

General Non Fiction

125 wacky roadside attractions, by National Geographic. buckle your seat belt and get ready for a wild ride around the globe. **Call number: J 910.4 NAT**

Anything but ordinary Addie: the true story of Adelaide Herrmann, Queen of Magic, by Mara Rockliff. Traces the story of dancer-turned-magician's assistant Adelaide Herrmann, placing her achievements against a backdrop of period conventions about women in the arts and her determination to continue her work after the death of her husband.

Call number: J 793.8092 ROC

Arts and crafts, by Pamela McDowell. Describes how different styles and uses of art reflect the culture of Canada's First Nations. **Call number: J 970.4 MCD**

Ask the astronaut: a galaxy of astonishing answers to your questions on spaceflight, by Tom Jones. The author can answer many questions about space experience.

Call number: J 629.4 JON

Ceremonies and celebrations, by Pamela McDowell. Learn about the unique celebrations of Canada's First Nations. **Call number: J 970.4 MCD**

Clothing, by Pamela McDowell. Learn about the apparel and style of Canada's First Nations.

Call number: J 970.4 MCD

Discovering sharks, by Donna Parham. Learn about more than 50 different kinds of sharks.

Call number: J 597.3 PAR

Electrical wizard: how Nikola Tesla lit up the world, by Elizabeth Rusch. Here is the story of the ambitious young man who brought life-changing ideas to America, despite the obstructive efforts of his hero-turned-rival, Thomas Edison. **Call number: J 621.3092 RUS**

Evolution revolution, edited by Fleur Star. Introduces the concepts of evolution and biodiversity.

Call number: J 575 EVO

Farm Life, by Megan Kopp. Learn about the lives of the hardworking people who first settled

Canada. **Call number: J 971.04 KOP**

Find out about machines: with 19 projects and more than 260 pictures, by Chris Oxlade. Looks at the enormous variety of machines in our world and how they function.

Call number: J 621.8 OXL

Find out about magnets: with 15 projects and more than 200 pictures, by Steve Parker. Find out all about the natural force of magnetism. **Call number: J 538 PAR**

How do water and wind change rock?: a look at sedimentary rock, by Ellen Lawrence. Explains how water and wind can shape rocks. **Call number: J 525 LAW**

Iroquois community, by Patricia Hutchison. Explores the lives of Iroquois, both in past and in current times. **Call number: J 970.4 HUT**

Is sand a rock?, by Ellen Lawrence. Readers will learn about sand and how it is made.

Call number: J 525 LAW

It's elementary!, edited by Fleur Star. An introduction to the periodic table, and the elements.

Call number: J 540 ITS

Learn to draw exotic animals: step-by-step instructions for more than 25 unusual animals, by Elizabeth T. Gilbert. Simple step-by-step instructions make it fun and easy to draw lifelike animals. **Call number: J 743 GIL**

Longhouses, by Janet Gurtler. Learn about the traditional homes of Canada's Aboriginal Peoples.

Call number: J 970.4 GUR

Music and dance, by Pamela McDowell. Learn about the distinctive songs and dances of

Canada's First Nations. **Call number: J 970.4 MCD**

Relationships with Aboriginal First Nations, by Molly Jones. Readers will learn about the settlement of New France and first contacts between First Nations and Europeans.

Call number: J 971.01 JON

Seasons, by Alain Gree. Explore what each season has to offer and discover the fun to be had all year round! **Call number: J 525.5 GRE**

The soccer book: facts and terrific trivia, by Andrea Mills. Chock-full of tactics, players and goals for any young soccer player. **Call number: J 796.334 MIL**

Space junk: the dangers of polluting Earth's orbit, by Karen Romano Young. Examines the proliferation of space debris in outer space and discusses methods of retrieving and disposing of the material. **Call number: J 629.416 YOU**

Tools and weapons, by Pamela McDowell. Learn about the tools and weapons of Canada's First Nations. **Call number: J 970.4 MCD**

Who says women can't be doctors?: the story of Elizabeth Blackwell, by Tanya Lee Stone. An introduction to the life and achievements of Elizabeth Blackwell, the first American female doctor. **Call number: J 610.92 STO**

Graphic Novels

The wrong Wrights, by Chris Kientz and Steve Hockensmith. After discovering that the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum is much smaller, has no Spirit of St. Louis airplane or Apollo 11 command module, and is filled with balloons, blimps, and dirigibles, four schoolmates travel through time to try and restore the Wright brothers to their well-earned place in history and learn about aerodynamics and other aviation principles along the way. **Call number: M FIC KIE**

Picture Books

Are we there yet?, by Dan Santat. A boy goes on a long car ride to visit his grandmother and discovers time moves faster or slower depending on how bored he is.

Call number: E SAN