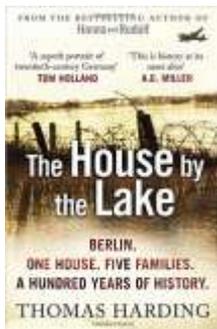


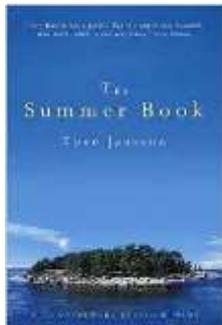
## 2017 BOOK CLUB READING LIST

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**The House by the Lake – Thomas Harding**  
978-0099592044

A superb portrait of twentieth century Germany seen through the prism of a house which was lived in, and lost, by five different families.



**The Summer Book - Tove Jansson**  
978-0954221713

Fresh, vivid and magical novel about seemingly endless summers of discovery. An elderly artist and her six year old granddaughter while away the summer together, on a tiny island in the Gulf of Finland, their solitude disturbed only by migrating birds, sudden storms and an occasional passing boat.



**The Heart of A Dog – Mikhail Bulgakov**  
978-0099529941

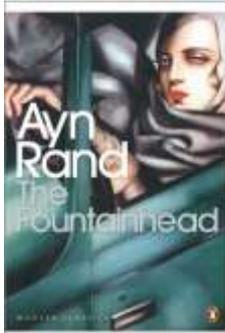
A rich, successful Moscow professor befriends a stray dog and attempts a scientific first by transplanting into it the testicles and pituitary gland of a recently deceased man. An absurd and superbly comic story, this classic novel can also be read as a fierce parable of the Russian Revolution.



**The Muse – Jessie Burton**

978-1447250944

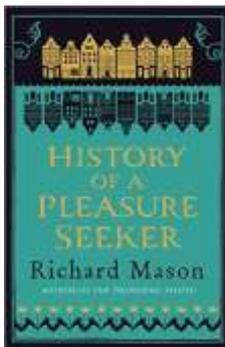
On a hot July day in 1967, Odelle Bastien climbs the stone steps of the Skelton gallery in London, knowing that her life is about to change forever. The Muse is an unforgettable novel about aspiration and identity, love and obsession, authenticity and deception.



**The Fountainhead – Ayn Rand**

978-0141188621

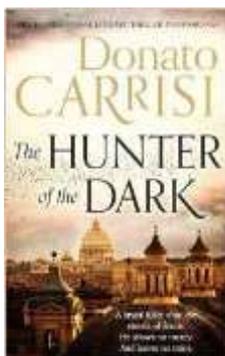
*The Fountainhead* is an exalted view of her Objectivist philosophy, portraying a visionary artist struggling against the dull, conformist dogma of his peers; a book of ambition, power, gold and love.



**History of a Pleasure Seeker – Richard Mason**

978-0753828427

It is 1907. The belle époque is in full swing. Piet Barol has escaped the drabness of the provinces for the grandest mansion in Amsterdam. As tutor to the son of Europe's wealthiest hotelier, he learns the intimate secrets of this glittering family - and changes it forever.



**The Hunter of the Dark – Donato Carrisi**

978-0349141176

A brutal killer is on the streets of Rome. He leaves no trace. And shows no mercy. A series of gruesome murders leaves the police force in Rome reeling, with no real clues or hard evidence to follow. Assigned to the case is Sandra Vega, a brilliant forensic analyst, struggling to come to terms with the crimes and her own past.

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