

Historical Fiction Book Recs with Jane Healey

March 10, 2026

1. *The Seven Daughters of Dupree* – Nikesha Elise Williams – January 27, 2026
2. *The League of Lonely War Women* – Andie Newton – February 20, 2026
3. *White River Crossing* – Ian McGuire – February 24, 2026
4. *Where the False Gods Dwell* – Denny S. Bryce – February 24, 2026
5. *A Crown of Stars* – Shana Abe – February 24, 2026
6. *The Choir* – Carol M. Cram – February 24, 2026
7. *The Fortune Tellers of Rue Daru* – Olesya Salnikova Gilmore – March 24, 2026
8. *The Beheading Game* – Rebecca Lehmann – March 24, 2026

From Attendees:

1. *The Road to Tender Hearts*
2. *Listen World*

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February 10, 2026

1. *When We Were Brilliant* – Lynn Cullen – January 20, 2026
2. *A Beast Slinks Towards Beijing* – Alice Evelyn Yang – January 27, 2026
3. *Burn Down Master's House* – Clay Cane – January 27, 2026
4. *Women of a Promiscuous Nature* – Donna Everhart – January 27, 2026
5. *The Secret Courtesan* – Kerry Chaput – February 10, 2026
6. *Fireflies in Winter* – Eleanor Shearer – February 10, 2026
7. *The Astral Library* – Kate Quinn – February 17, 2026
8. *Book of Forbidden Words* – Louise Fein – February 17, 2026

From Attendees:

1. *Women on Platform two*
2. *Agents of Change*
3. *By her own design* by Piper Huguley
4. *Lunch in Paris* by Elizabeth Bard
5. *Dutch House* by Ann Patchett (narrated by Tom Hanks)
6. *Chasing Eleanor*
7. *Guilty by Definition* by Susie Dent

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January 13, 2026

1. *Canticle* – Janet Rich Edwards: Release date: December 2, 2025
2. *Dark Sisters* – Kristi DeMeester: Release date: December 9, 2025
3. *My Fair Frauds* – Lee Kelly & Jennifer Thorne: Release date: December 2, 2025
4. *Skylark* – Paula McClain - Release date Jan 6
5. *The Star Society* – Gabriella Saab: Release date: January 6, 2026
6. *Fire Sword and Sea* – Vanessa Riley: Release date: January 13, 2026
7. *The Jilted Countess* – Loretta Ellsworth: Release date: January 13, 2026
8. *The Fourth Princess* – Jamie Chang: Release date: February 10, 2026
9. *The Lion Women of Tehran* - Marjan Kamali

From Attendees:

1. *The Correspondent*
2. *My Husband's Wife*, Alice Feeney
3. *The Mad Wife*
4. *Becoming Mrs. Lewis*
5. *The Golden Gate* by Amy Chua
6. *The Stationery Shop* by Marjan Kamali
7. *Theo of Golden*
8. *The Lies They Told* by Ellen Marie Wiseman
9. *Circling the Sun*
10. *Lady Tan*
11. *the Impossible Fortune* .by Richard Osman
12. Lisa See

Historical Fiction Book Recs with Jane Healey
November 4, 2025

1. *The Women of Oak Ridge*
Author: Michelle Shocklee
Publication Date: September 9, 2025
2. *Mothers*
Author: Brenda Lozano
Publication Date: October 7, 2025
3. *The Good Daughters*
Author: Brigitte Dale
Publication Date: November 4, 2025

4. *Queen Esther*
Author: John Irving
Publication Date: November 4, 2025
5. *Last Call at the Savoy*
Author: Brisa Carleton
Publication Date: November 4, 2025
6. *The Ivory City*
Author: Emily Bain Murphy
Publication Date: November 4, 2025
7. *Beasts of the Sea*
Author: Iida Turpeinen
Publication Date: November 18, 2025
8. *Meet the Newmans*
Author: Jennifer Niven
Publication Date: January 6, 2026

From Attendees:

The Berry Pickers by Amanda Peters
The Death of Primrose Whittaker by Kerry Chaput
THE ONLY WOMAN THE ROOM by Marie Benedict
Love and Saffron
Jacqueline Winspeare
The Unraveling of Julia by Lisa Scottoline
Jeffery Archer *The End Games*
I was Anastasia and *Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon
Apostle Cove by William Kent Kreuger
This is How It Always Is by Laurie Frankel
A study in scarlet by Sherry Thomas
The Restoration Garden by Sara Blaydes
Loving Frank by Nancy Horan
The Wayward Girls
The Harvey Girls by Juliette Fay
A Marriage at Sea by Sophie Elmhirst
"The River is Waiting" by Wally Lamb
Women at Work by Thomas Dublin
Jackie by Dawn Tipp
The Only Woman in the Room
It Girl by Allison Patak

Historical Fiction Book Recs with Jane Healey
October 14, 2025

1. *Buckeye* by Patrick Ryan (September 2nd)
2. *Amity* by Nathan Harris (September 2nd)
3. *The Mad Wife* by Meagan Church (September 30th)
4. *I Am You* by Victoria Redel (September 30th)
5. *The High Heaven* by Joshua Wheeler (Oct 7th)
6. *The Salvage* by Anbara Salam (October 7th)
7. *Bog Queen* by Anna North (October 14th)
8. *Bad Bad Girl* by Gish Jen (October 21st)

From Attendees:

1. *Dominion*, full cast audio
2. *The Irish Girl* by Ashley Sweeney
3. *Harlem Rhapsody* by Victoria Christopher Murray
4. *Chasing Beauty*
5. *The Paris Book Seller* by Kerri Maher
6. *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate
7. *James* by Percival Everett
8. *Strangers in time*
9. *The First Witch of Boston*
10. "The Keeper of Lost Art" Laura Morelli
11. Christopher Benfey: *A Summer of Hummingbirds* and *The Great Wave*
12. "By Her Own Design" By Piper Huguley
13. *Signature of All Things*
14. The Harvey Girls

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September 9, 2025

1. All Things Under the Moon by Ann Y.K. Choi - September 2nd
2. Amity by Nathan Harris - September 2nd
3. The Righteous by Ron Balson - September 9th
4. Venetian Vespers by John Banville - October 7th
5. The Hong Kong Widow by Kristin Loesch - Oct 7th
6. The Elopement by Gill Hornby - oct 7th
7. The Missing Pages by Alyson Richman - Oct 14th

8. Last Spirits of Manhattan by John A. McDermott - Oct 14th

From the Attendees:

1. The Harvey Girls
2. The Women of Arlington Hall
3. Ahab's Wife
4. Small things like these by Claire Keegan
5. Atmosphere by Taylor Reid
6. The rhino keeper
7. Pachinko
8. The View from Lake Como
9. The Rose Code
10. The Lion Women of Tehran by Marjan Kamali
11. Iona Wishaw's series featuring Lane Winslow.
12. Cold Mountain
13. The Goddess of Warsaw, by Lisa Barr
14. The Frozen River (17th-18th century midwife in rural Maine)
15. Necessary Trouble: Growing Up at MidCentury by Drew Gilpin Faust
16. Briar Club
17. All books by Marie Benedict
18. The Women by Kristin Hannah
19. The Berry Pickers by Amanda Peters
20. West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge
21. Small Things Like These
22. Rhys Bowen
23. Project Hail Mary

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August 12, 2025

1. *The Book of Lost Hours* by Haley Gelfuso - Aug 12, 2025
2. *Glorious Ruins* by Judith Little - Aug 12, 2025
3. *The Last Assignment* by Erika Robuck - Aug 19, 2025
4. *The Lost Baker of Vienna* by Sharon Kurtzman - Aug 19, 2025
5. *The Secret Book Society* by Madeline Martin - Aug 26, 2025
6. *The First Witch of Boston* by Andrea Catalano - Sep 1, 2025
7. *Julia* by Heather B. Moore - Sep 2, 2025 (didn't get time to discuss)
8. *The Boleyn Traitor* by Philippa Gregory - Oct 14, 2025
9. *The love elixir of Augusta stern* by Lynda Cohen Loigman

From the Attendees:

1. The Resistance Painter by Kath Jonathan
2. The Queens of Crime
3. The rhino keeper
4. West with giraffes
5. The Girls of Good Fortune
6. Wide Sargasso Sea
7. Alice Network
8. Lost Girls of Paris
9. Rose Code
10. Last Jew of Treblenka
11. Zookeepers Wife
12. Pharmacist of Auschwitz
13. Briar Club
14. The Room on Rue Amelie
15. Widows of Champagne
16. Tattooist of Auschwitz
17. The Book Thief
18. The German Wife
19. The Book of Lost Names
20. The Paris Agent
21. Winemaker's Wife
22. The Daughters of Paris
23. The Last Restaurant in Paris
24. Paris Network
25. Michael Without Apology by Catherine Ryan Hyde
26. Daughter of Egypt by Marie Benedict
27. Broken Country
28. Briar Club
29. The Lost Passenger- Frances Quinn
30. The Things We Cannot Say by Kelly Rimmer
31. The Sicilian Inheritance by Jo Piazza
32. Marigold Cottages Murder Collective
33. All The Broken Places
34. Silver Echoes by Rebecca Rosenberg
35. The Bright Years by Sarah Damoff
36. "Hold My Girl" by Charlene Carr
37. Hester: A Novel by Laurie Lico Albanese
38. The Second Life of Mirielle West by Amanda Skenandore
39. The unexpected Mrs pollifax

40. The Tuscan child
41. All the broken pieces
42. Behind closed doors
43. First lie wins
44. Blue asylum
45. Chasing fire flies
46. The wife's promise
47. The storm beyond the tides
48. Where coyotes bowel
49. The women
50. Go as a river
51. The widower's wife
52. The life she was given
53. Looking for Jane
54. Shamed
55. The day the world came to town 9/11
56. The children's train
57. Milton's secret
58. The winter guest
59. The frozen river
60. The woman they could not silence.
61. The Thursday Murder Club or The Maid Series

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July 8, 2025

10. *The Marchesa* by Sarah Dunant - June 5th
11. *The Letter Carrier* by Francesca Giannone - July 1st
12. *Wayward Girls* by Susan Wiggs - July 15th
13. *The Lies They Told* by Ella Marie Wiseman - July 29th
14. *L.A. Women* by Ella Berman - August 5th
15. *Mrs. Endicotts Splendid Adventure* by Rhys Bowen - August 5th
16. *The Harvey Girls* by Juliette Fay - August 12th
17. *Circle of Days* by Ken Follett - September 23

From the Attendees

1. *Martha's Vineyard beach and Book club* by Martha Kelly Hall

Historical Fiction Book Recs with Kerri Maher

June 10, 2025

1. *Before Dorothy* by Hazel Gaynor (1930s dust bowl)
2. *Confessions of a Grammar Queen* (1960s) - Eliza Knight
3. *Let's Call Her Barbie* (1950s) - Renee Rosen
4. *These Heathens* (1960s) - Mia McKenzie (1960)
5. Joanna Lowell, *A Rare Find*, Berkley (queer Victorian era historical romance)
6. Kyra Davis Lurie, (1945) *The Great Mann*, Crown (retelling of *The Great Gatsby* set amongst L.A.'s Black elite)
7. Phil Melanson, *Florenzer*, Liveright (set in Renaissance-era Florence, debut reimagines the intersecting lives of three ambitious men—a banker, a priest, and a gay painter named Leonardo)
8. B. A. Shapiro, *The Lost Masterpiece*, Algonquin (mystery follows 19th-century Impressionist painter Berthe Morisot and her 21st-century great-great-great granddaughter, who inherits a Nazi-looted Edouard Manet painting)
9. Jane Healey, *The Women of Arlington Hall*, Lake Union (a female codebreaker puts her future and her heart on the line in a novel about love, loyalty, betrayal, and Cold War spy games)

From the Attendees

1. *The Briar Club*
2. *Lessons in Chemistry*
3. *The Three Sisters*
4. Sarah Penner *Amalfi Curse*
5. *Go as a river*
6. *The Irish Girl*..Ashley Sweeney
7. Marcia Blackman *outlier from Long Island*
8. *One Good Thing*
9. *Under the Tulip Tree* by Michelle Shockley
10. Tracey Drew's *The Knitty Kitty Murder Mysteries* series
11. *Enchanted Plants: A Treasury of Botanical Folklore and Magic* by Varla Ventura
12. *Love That Moves the Sun* by Linda Cardillo
13. *The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post*
14. *Four Winds*
15. Marie Benedict's *The Queens of Crime*
16. Andrea Penrose
17. Mimi Matthews
18. the *Maisy Dobbs* series
19. *The Stolen Queen*

- 20. *The Secret War of Julia Child*
- 21. *Finding Dorothy*
- 22. *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks
- 23. *Frozen River*
- 24. *Women on Platform Two* by Anthony
- 25. *The Alice Network* by Kate Quinn
- 26. *Saturday Evening Girls Club*

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May 13, 2025

- 1. *The Artist of Blackberry Grange* by Paulette Kennedy
- 2. *Where the Rivers Merge* by Mary Alice Monroe
- 3. *A Promise to Arlette* by Serena Burdick
- 4. *The Lies They Told* by Ellen Marie Wiseman
- 5. *The Master Jeweler* by Weina Randel
- 6. *The Secret Book Society* by Madeline Martin
- 7. *The English Masterpiece* by Katherine Reay
- 8. *Typewriter Beach* by Meg Waite Clayton

From the Attendees

- 1. *The Sirens* by Emilia Hart
- 2. *Mad Honey* by Jodi Picoult
- 3. *The Frozen River*, Ariel Lawhon
- 4. *The Stolen Queen* by Fiona Davis
- 5. "The One in a Million Boy" by MONICA Wood
- 6. "By Any Other Name" by Jodi Picoult
- 7. *Her Story So Far* by Jill Carlyle
- 8. "Where the Lost Wander", Amy Harman
- 9. *The Paris Express*
- 10. "Last Twilight in Paris" by Pam Jenoff
- 11. "The Librarians of Lisbon"
- 12. "Metropolitan Affair"
- 13. *Queens of Crime*
- 14. *The Nurses Secret*
- 15. *The Berry Pickers*
- 16. *Shantaram* by Gregory David Roberts
- 17. "The Life Cycle of the Common Octopus" - Emma Knight
- 18. *A History of Burning* by Janika Oza
- 19. "Saltwater" by Katy Hays

20. *The Island at the Center of the World* by Russell Shorto
21. *The Block Party* by Jamie Day

April 8, 2025

1. *A Map to Paradise* by Susan Meissner (March 18)
2. *The Mademoiselle Alliance* by Natasha Lester (April 8, on my podcast April 9)
3. *Six Days in Bombay* by Alka Joshi (April 15)
4. *The Amalfi Curse* by Sarah Penner (April 29)
5. *The Girls of Good Fortune* by Kristina McMorris (May 20)
6. *The Martha's Vineyard Beach & Book Club* by Martha Hall Kelly (May 27)
7. *The Cardinal* by Alison Weir (May 27)
8. *The Midnight Estate* by Kelly Rimmer (July 25)

From the Attendees

1. *Covenant of Water*
2. *The Lioness* by Chris Bohjalian
3. *The Queens of Crime*
4. *The Secret Life of Sunflowers* by Maria Molnar
5. *The Only Woman In The Room*
6. *The Lacuna* by Barbara Kingsolver
7. *The Paris Express* by Emma Donoghue
8. *The Queen of Fives*
9. *The Other Einstein*
10. *Harlem Rhapsody* by Victoria Christopher Murray
11. *Solitary Walker* by NJ Mastro
12. *Saving Vincent* by Joan Fernandez
13. *The Last Bookshop in London* by Madeline Martin
14. *Last Twilight in Paris* by Pam Jenoff
15. *The Italian Ballerina, WW11* by Kristy Cambron
16. *HILD* by Nicola Griffin
17. *Hold Strong*
18. *One Good Thing* by Georgia Hunter

March 11, 2025

1. *The Lost Passenger* by Frances Quinn (February 25)
2. *The Filling Station* by Vanessa Miller (March 4)
3. *One Good Thing* by Georgia Hunter (March 4)
4. *The Girl from Greenwich Street* by Lauren Willig (March 4)

5. *The Stars and Their Light* By Olivia Hawker (April 1)
6. *The Library of Lost Dollhouses* by Elise Hooper (April 1)
7. *The Eights* by Joanna Miller (April 15)
8. *The Book Club for Troublesome Women* by Marie Botswick (April 22)

From the attendees:

1. *Last Twilight in Paris*
2. *In memoriam*
3. Marie Benedict
4. *The French Gift* by Kirsty Manning
5. Jeff Shaara
6. *The Matchmakers Gift*
7. *The Mango Tree*
8. *A Yankee Widow*
9. *A Woman with a Cure* by Lynn Cullen
10. *The Library of Burned Books*
11. Bess Crawford series by Charles Todd
12. *The Lost Bookshop* by Evie Woods
13. *The Girl in His Shadow* by Blake
14. *Beantown Girls*
15. *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon
16. *Becoming Madam Secretary* by Stephanie Dray

February 11, 2025

1. *Librarians of Lisbon* by Suzanne Nelson, Feb 4th
2. *Junie* by Erin Crosbie Eckstein - Feb 4th, GMA pick
3. *Let Us March On, debut* by Shara Moon - February 4th
4. *The Sable Cloak* by Gayle Mellissa Grant - February 4th
5. *The Queens of Crime* by Marie Benedict, out today February 11th
6. *The Undoing of Violet Claybourne* by Emily Critchley - March 4th
7. *The Paris Express* by Emma Donoghue - March 18th
8. *American Housewife* by Anita Abrial - April 1st

From the attendees:

1. *Finding Margaret Fuller*
2. *We Were the Lucky Ones* by Georgia Hunter
3. *The Queen of Sugar Hill* by DeShonda Tate
4. *About Hetty McDaniel*

5. *Homeseeking* by Karissa Chen
6. *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See
7. *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn
8. *The Phoenix Crown* by Janie Chang and Kate Quinn
9. Jennifer Ryan
10. *The Perfect Storm* was Sebastian Junger

January 14, 2025

1. *Homeseeking* by Karissa Chen (released January 7th)
2. *The Stolen Queen* by Fiona Davis (released January 7th)
3. *Lotus Shoes* by Jane Yang (released January 7th)
4. *Hold Strong* Robert Dugoni with Jeff Langholz and Chris Crabtree (releases January 28th)
5. *Last Twilight in Paris* by Pam Jenoff (releases February 4th)
6. *Come Fly with Me* by Camille DiMaio (release February 18th)
7. *Harlem Rhapsody* by Victoria Christopher Murray (release February 4th)

From the attendees:

1. *The First Ladies*
2. *Beneath the Scarlet Sky* Mark Sullivan
3. *By Any Other Name* by Jodi Picoult
4. Kate Quinn and Jennifer Ryan
5. *Nightingale* by Kristen Hannah
6. Kate Quinn *The Briar Club*
7. *Swift River Secrets* BY JUDY McIntosh
8. *The Girl in White Gloves* by Kerri Maher
9. *People of the book* by Geraldine Brooks
10. *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict
11. *Echoes of Us* and *A Bend of Light*, by Joy Jordan-Lake
12. *The Phoenix Crown*, by Kate Quinn & Janie Chang
13. *The Briar Club*, by Kate Quinn
14. Dugoni's book *The Extraordinary Life of Sam*
15. *The Bletchley Circle* (Netflix show)
16. *Children's Blizzard*