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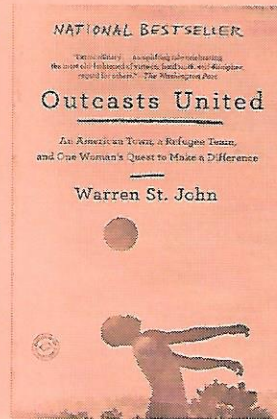
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### Announcing Salem Reads Book Title

The Salem Public Library Foundation is proud to announce the second season of *Salem Reads: One Book, One Community*. Salem Reads is a community reads program that encourages a fondness for reading and the library by inviting the entire city to read a common book. In February 2018 there will be a full month of programs to encourage discussions and activities around the themes of the book. These programs will include speakers, movies, an art exhibit, hands-on sessions for teens, and a visit by the author.



The Salem Reads Book Selection Committee has chosen *Outcasts United* by Warren St. John for our community read! *Outcasts United* is the real-life story of refugees seeking new lives set against the backdrop of a fading American town struggling to accommodate its new arrivals. Together, an inspiring group of refugees, and a woman with tough love and fiery determination, change an entire community for the better. Copies of the book will be available for checkout at the Salem Public Library and for sale at the Friends Book Store beginning September 1.

In February 2018, watch for a free book give-away, free tickets to the author lecture and book signing, along with an art exhibit featuring local artists inspired by the book.

The Salem Public Library Foundation continues to grant resources to make Salem Reads a community success. We hope you join us for many or all of the programs. Please contact Kate Van Ummersen at the Foundation office, 503-588-6183 or [salemlibraryfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:salemlibraryfoundation@gmail.com) if you would like to participate in planning or financially supporting Salem Reads.

### Calling All Book Clubs

Salem Public Library Foundation is grateful to the book clubs who have already signed up for the email list. If your club is not on the list, please send an email to [salemlibraryfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:salemlibraryfoundation@gmail.com) and include the club name, contact person, phone, mailing address, and club email address in the message.

Our goal is to include book clubs throughout the region and encourage them to read the selected title for Salem Reads. We then hope you will join us for programs related to the book in February 2018.

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