

WHAT'S ON YOUR NIGHTSTAND

BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

FICTION - MAY 2017

ALL THE KING'S MEN – Robert Penn Warren- Winner of the Pulitzer Prize, this classic book describes the career of Willie Stark, a back-country lawyer whose idealism is overcome by his lust for power.

EXIT WEST – Mohsin Hamid – in a country on the brink of civil war two young lovers navigate their alien and uncertain future, struggling to hold on to each other, to their past, to the very sense of who they are.

THE GLOAMING –Melanie Finn – Recovering from two tragedies, Pilgrim Jones tries to find hope and forgiveness in Africa – the ultimate heart of darkness

IMAGINE ME GONE – Adan Haslet

Told in alternating points of view, this novel brings alive with remarkable depth and poignancy the love of a mother for her children and the legacy of a father's pain in the life of a family.

HOMEGOING – Yaa Gyasi- . an extraordinary novel which illuminates slavery's troubled legacy both for those who were taken and those who stayed in Africa—and shows how the memory of captivity has been inscribed on the soul of our nation.

SMALL GREAT THINGS – JODI PICOULT - offers a thought-provoking examination of racism in America today, both overt and subtle.

A PIECE OF THE WORLD – Christina Baker Kline - a stunning and atmospheric novel of friendship, passion, and art, inspired by Andrew Wyeth's mysterious and iconic painting *Christina's World*.

UNDERGROUND RAILROAD – COLSON WHITEHEAD - a kinetic adventure tale of one woman's ferocious will to escape the horrors of bondage and a shattering, powerful meditation on the history we all share.