

# WHAT'S ON YOUR NIGHTSTAND

## BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

### OCTOBER 2017

#### FICTION

**GRIEF COTTAGE – Gail Godwin**-The haunting tale of a desolate cottage and the hair-thin junction between this life and the next.

**HUM IF YOU DON'T KNOW THE WORDS – Bianca Marais**-a perceptive and searing look at Apartheid-era South Africa, told through one unique family brought together by tragedy.

**LITTLE FIRES EVERYWHERE - Celeste Ng**- a riveting novel that traces the intertwined fates of the picture-perfect Richardson family and the enigmatic mother and daughter who upend their lives.

**RABBIT CAKE – Annie Hartnett** - darkly comic novel about a young girl named Elvis trying to figure out her place in a world without her mother.

#### NONFICTION

**POEMS ABOUT SCULPTURE – Murray Dewart**- a unique anthology of poems from around the world and across the ages about our most enduring art form.

**TO SIRI WITH LOVE: A Mother, Her Autistic Son, and the Kindness of Machines – Judith Newman** a collection of touching, hilarious, and illuminating stories about life with a thirteen-year-old boy with autism that hold insights and revelations for us all.

**SARGENT'S WOMEN: FOUR LIVES BEHIND THE CANVASS – Donna M. Lucy**- a seductive, multilayered biography based on original letters and diaries - Lucy illuminates four extraordinary women painted by the iconic high-society portraitist John Singer Sargent.