

# ADULT READING CHALLENGE 2023

## MAY: SUMMER READING

Prize: \$25 gift card/Riverfront Museum Passes

Theme: Find Your Voice! Join the PPL Summer Reading, starting in June.

Get a jump on your reading, all about the power of finding – and using – our voices.

As always, there is a suggested reading list but you can ask staff for recommendations or pick a different book.

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### Power to the People

*Love is a Revolution*, Renee Watson

*Meridian*, Alice Walker

*How Beautiful We Were*, Imbolo Mbue

*A People's History of Heaven*,  
Mathangi Subramanian

*Pride and Protest*, Nikki Payne

### Place + Self

*The Last Suspicious Holdout*,  
Ladee Hubbard

*Red at the Bone*, Jacqueline Woodson

*The Revisioners*,  
Margaret Wilkerson Sexton

*Everything Belongs to Us*,  
Yoojin Grace Wuertz

*Unsheltered*, Barbara Kingsolver

### Memoir

*My Broken Language*,  
Quiara Alegria Hudes

*How We Fight for Our Lives*, Saeed Jones

*Socialist Realism*, Trisha Low

*The Best We Could Do*, Thi Bui

*Manifesto: On Never Giving Up*,  
Bernadine Evaristo

### Other Worlds

*A Memory Called Empire*, Arkady Martine

*The Collapsing Empire*, John Scalzi

*The Fifth Season*, NK Jemisin

*Woven in Moonlight*, Isabel Ibanez

*Queen of the Conquered*,  
Kacen Callender

### Essays

*What Doesn't Kill You Makes You Blacker*, Damon Young

*Sure, I'll be Your Black Friend*, Ben Philippe

*Crying in the Bathroom*, Erika L Sanchez

*My Life: Growing up Asian in America* (anthology)

*The Book of Delights*, Ross Gay