

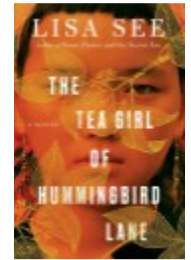
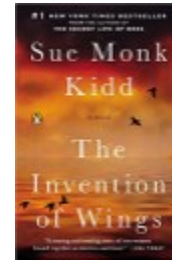
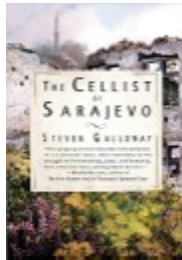
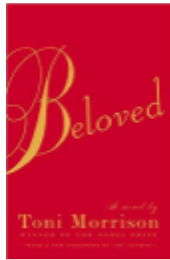
One Community One Book 2020

One Community One Book takes place annually. It is an opportunity for everyone to read the same book and participate in a variety of free library programs around the book's theme. *One Community One Book* aims to provide the community with the powerful shared experience of reading the same book, creating opportunities to enlighten and encourage dialogue.

Past selections have included *The Electrifying Fall of Rainbow City: Spectacle and Assassination at the 1901 Worlds Fair*, *A Farewell to Arms* and *The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics*. We are asking the public to help us determine the featured selection for 2020.

The chosen title will be the impetus for dozens of free programs including book club sessions and discussions to take place in Buffalo & Erie County Public Libraries and partner organizations in May 2020.

1. Which title would you like to see as the featured book for the 2020 *One Community One Book* initiative? (Circle one.)



Beloved

Toni Morrison

Examines the destructive legacy of slavery as it chronicles the life of a black woman named Sethe, from her pre-Civil War days as a slave in Kentucky to her time in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1873.

The Cellist of Sarajevo

Steven Galloway

Explores how war can change one's definition of humanity, the effect of music on our emotional endurance and how a romance with the rituals of daily life can itself be a form of resistance.

Homegoing

Yaa Gyasi

Captures how the memory of captivity has been inscribed in the soul of a nation, from the plantations to the Civil War & Great Migration; the coal mines of Pratt City to the jazz clubs of Harlem, through the present day.

The Invention of Wings

Sue Monk Kidd

Looks with unswerving eyes at a devastating wound in American history through women whose struggles for liberation, empowerment and expression will leave no reader unmoved.

The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane

Lisa See

Paints an unforgettable portrait of a little known region in China and its people and celebrates the bond that connects mothers, daughters and their community.

2. Do you have any suggested book titles to be considered for the future? _____

Return completed survey to Library staff. Voting closes Friday, October 25, 2019.

The title with the most votes will be the featured title for the 2020 One Community One Book initiative.