

Pender Island Public Library
New Non Fiction titles as of Dec. 2018

Before you ask, yes, we do have Michelle Obama's #1 bestselling memoir, **Becoming**. We also have Buffy Sainte-Marie: **The Authorized Biography** – the life so far of Saskatchewan singer-songwriter, musician, composer, visual artist, educator, pacifist and social activist.

Another new biography is **Mamaskatch: A Cree Coming of Age** by Darrel J. McLeod – “a candid memoir of a Cree boy's resilience and grace in the face of chaos and intergenerational tragedy.”

We've been gifted two lovely additions to our collection: **Canadian Geographic Indigenous People's Atlas of Canada** and **Celebration: Chinese Canadian Legacies in British Columbia**.

Those of you who are interested in Second World War writings will want to check out Ted Barris' new book **Dam Busters: Canadian Airmen and the Secret Raid Against Nazi Germany**.

Ben Macintyre has a new book, **The Spy and the Traitor** said to be his best yet.

If you heard Michael Enright's interview with Gwynne Dyer on CBC Radio, Sunday Edition, mid-December, you'll want to read Dyer's **Growing Pains: The Future of Democracy**.

Of particular interest to those of us who watch the freighter traffic passing our shores daily is **90 Percent of Everything: Inside Shipping, the Invisible Industry That Puts Clothes on Your Back, Gas in Your Car, and Food on Your Plate** by Rose George. “Buy your fair-trade coffee beans by all means,” writes George, “but don't assume fair-trade principles govern the conditions of the men (and they are nearly all men) who fetch it to you.”

A few titles in the area of humour/essays: **Rick Mercer Final Report**, rants from the last five seasons of his popular television series; **On the Rocks**

With Jack Knox: Islanders I Will Never Forget by the ever popular Victoria Times/Colonist humourist. Finalist for the 2018 Leacock Medal and voted Best Book of 2017 on many of our national best seller lists is Scaachi Koul's **One Day We'll All Be Dead and None of This Will Matter.**

Two lovely escapes from our dark and stormy nights are Peter Mayle's last book, **My Twenty-five Years in Provence**, and Virginia Johnson's **Travels Through the French Riviera: An Artist's Guide to the Storied Coastline** – a visual treat but also “a quirky yet singularly useful travel guide, whether showing how to order coffee like a local...or hike the Cap Ferrat Peninsula.”

As we go about our chores “in town” we're often drawn to wonder about the history of some of the old houses – **Glorious Victorian Homes: 150 Years of Architectural History in B.C.'s Capital** by heritage conservationist, Nick Russell, reveals a cross-section of the city's residential architecture in stories and colour photographs.

For you who love animals, we ordered **The Dog Lover Unit: Lessons in Courage From the World's K9 Cops** which looks into the work of police dogs and their handlers in the U.S., Canada, Britain and France. Latest I know is that we're still awaiting **Return of the Wolf** by Paula Wild.

Oh yes, there's also the **Best of Bridge Weekday Suppers: All New Easy Everyday Recipes.**

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