

**BEST
BOOKS
OF 2016**



- 1** *The Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead
- 2** *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi
- 3** *Swing Time* by Zadie Smith
- 4** *When Breath Becomes Air* by Paul Kalanithi
- 5** *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* by Matthew Desmond
- 6** *Commonweath* by Ann Patchett
- 7** *The Girls* by Emma Cline
- 8** *My Name is Lucy Barton* by Elizabeth Strout
- 9** *The Vegetarian* by Han Kang
- 10** *Hillbilly Elegy* by J.D. Vance

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- 11 ***What Belongs to You*** by Garth Greenwell
- 12 ***Born to Run*** by Bruce Springsteen
- 13 ***Another Brooklyn*** by Jacqueline Woodson
- 14 ***The Nix*** by Nathan Hill
- 15 ***The Mothers*** by Brit Bennett
- 16 ***The Gene: An Intimate History*** by Siddhartha Mukherjee
- 17 ***LaRose*** by Louise Erdrich
- 18 ***Moonglow*** by Michael Chabon
- 19 ***The Lonely City*** by Olivia Laing
- 20 ***The Return*** by Hisham Matar

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Honorable Mentions

- Grief is the Thing with Feathers*** by Max Porter
- Barkskins*** by Annie Proulx
- Lab Girl*** by Hope Jahren
- Shirley Jackson: A Rather Haunted Life*** by Ruth Franklin
- White Trash: The 400-Year Untold History of Class in America*** by Nancy Isenberg
- News of the World*** by Paulette Jiles
- What is Not Yours is Not Yours*** by Helen Oyeyemi
- Nutshell*** by Ian McEwan
- Today Will Be Different*** by Maria Semple
- The Trespasser*** by Tana French
- The Queen of the Night*** by Alexander Chee
- All That Man Is*** by David Szalay
- The Association of Small Bombs*** by Karan Mahajan
- The Wonder*** by Emma Donoghue
- Zero K*** by Don DeLillo
- Imagine Me Gone*** by Adam Haslett
- Underground Airlines*** by Ben H. Winters
- The Nest*** by Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney
- Secondhand Time: The Last of the Soviets*** by Svetlana Alexievich
- A Gentleman in Moscow*** by Amor Towles
- The Natural Way of Things*** by Charlotte Wood
- Sweetbitter*** by Stephanie Danler
- The North Water*** by Ian McGuire
- I Contain Multitudes: The Microbes Within Us and a Grand View of Life*** by Ed Yong
- Hot Milk*** by Deborah Levy