Celebrate Jewish American Heritage Month - Fiction -



Check out this list of great books written by or about Jewish Americans and please feel free to ask staff for further recommendations. Click on the titles to place requests or call us at 760.564.4767.

Happy Reading!

- <u>To Be a Man: Stories Nicole Krauss</u> The National Book Award finalist explores contemporary gender realities in a collection of short fiction that traces the experiences of diverse characters at various stages of life. - (Baker & Taylor)
- <u>Gangsterland Tod Goldberg</u> After his botched assassination attempt leaves three
 FBI agents dead, hit man Sal Cupertine agrees to the Chicago Mafia's insane plan to
 save his skin by taking on a new identity as Rabbi David Cohen of Las Vegas. (Baker
 & Taylor)
- <u>Moonglow Michael Chabon</u> A man bears witness to his grandfather's deathbed confessions, which reveal his family's long-buried history and his involvement in a mail-order novelty company, World War II, and the space program. - (Baker & Taylor)
- <u>Kaddish.com Nathan Englander</u> The award-winning author of What We Talk About When We Talk About Anne Frank presents a streamlined comic novel about an atheist son's creative refusal to say the requisite Jewish prayer for the dead for his late orthodox father. (Baker & Taylor)
- The Flight Portfolio Julie Orringer The award-winning author of The Invisible
 Bridge presents a long-anticipated latest novel based on the story of Varian Fry's
 extraordinary effort to save the lives and work of Jewish artists fleeing the Holocaust.
 (Baker & Taylor)
- <u>The UnAmericans: Stories Molly Antopol</u> Traces the experiences of protagonists from a range of cultures, including a blacklisted Hollywood actor who struggles to

connect with his son, and a dissenting gallery worker who begins smuggling and curating underground art. - (Baker & Taylor)

- <u>The Puttermesser Papers Cynthia Ozick</u> A female Don Quixote transplanted to modern-day Manhattan, Ruth Puttermesser yearns for a life of the mind, only to find herself hopelessly mired in the eternal circle of city bureaucracy when she is unexpectedly elected mayor of the Big Apple - (Baker & Taylor)
- The Long Fall Walter Mosley Getting by as an old-school private investigator in spite of Manhattan's increasingly sophisticated culture, Leonid McGill finds his commitment to living a straight-and-narrow life repeatedly tested when he attempts to obtain information for a high-paying client. - (Baker & Taylor)
- <u>Eternal Life Dara Horn</u> Ever since she made a deal to save her son's life in Roman-occupied Jerusalem, Rachel has been doomed to live eternally—having hundreds of children and being stalked by an obsessed man—but, as her descendants develop new technologies for immortality, she realizes that, for them to live fully, she must die. (Baker & Taylor)
- <u>Unterzakhn Leela Corman</u> Growing up in New York's Lower East Side in the early twentieth century, Jewish immigrant twins Esther and Fanya experience radically different lives as a burlesque dancer in a brothel and a nurse for an obstetrician who performs illegal abortions. - (Baker & Taylor)
- <u>Here I Am Jonathan Safran Foer</u> A tale told over four tumultuous weeks in present-day Washington, D.C traces the fracturing of a family in crisis when the three sons of Jacob and Julia confront the paradoxes between the lives they think they want and the lives they are actually living. (Baker & Taylor)
- <u>Hot Pink: Stories Adam Levin</u> These stories bring to life the colliding worlds of a colorful cast of characters including overweight romantics, legless prodigies, textbook lovers, dirty old men, angry mimes and nervous comedians. (Baker & Taylor)

Even more titles:

- Modern Girls Jennifer S. Brown
- <u>Unspeakable Things Kathleen Spivack</u>

- The Boston Girl Anita Diamant
- The Last Flight of Poxl West Daniel Torday
- The World That We Knew Alice Hoffman
- Henderson the Rain King Saul Bellow
- Lake Success Gary Shteyngart
- Love and Other Impossible Pursuits Ayelet Waldman