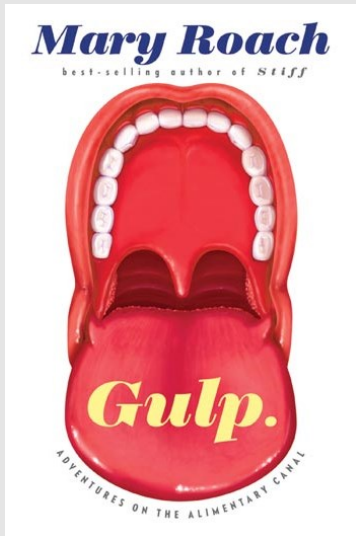


# READER SPOTLIGHT

Welcome to monthly Reader Spotlight—in which we ask a library patron to tell us about their favorite books!

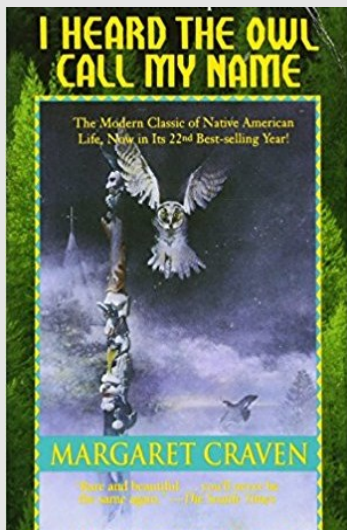
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### Gulp by Mary Roach



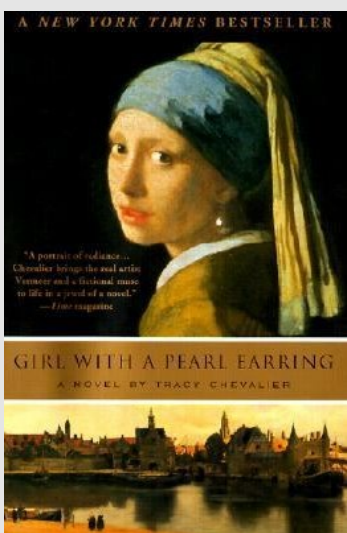
“She writes about the way food goes in your mouth and comes out the other end - and what happens in between. She interviewed people at universities studying digestion. You learn all sorts of things you didn't know you needed to know. The book is funny and quirky.”

### I Heard the Owl Call My Name by Margaret Craven



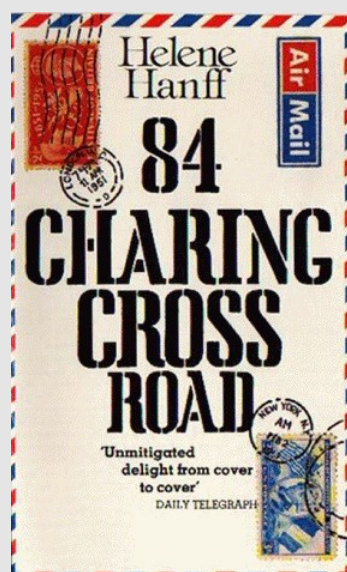
“I read this book 40 years ago. I read it to my kids. I don't think there was a library then, so it was probably going around in the hippie community. It's about a man who ministers to the Indians on Vancouver Island and doesn't know that he is dying. It really spoke to me.”

### Girl With a Pearl Earring by Tracy Chevalier



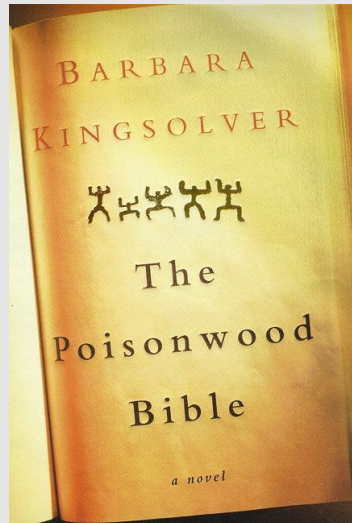
“The author writes a back story to the famous Vermeer painting. I took the book to China with me to share with my daughter's students. It was such a good story, and the author knits her words together nicely.”

### 84 Charing Cross Road by Helene Hanff



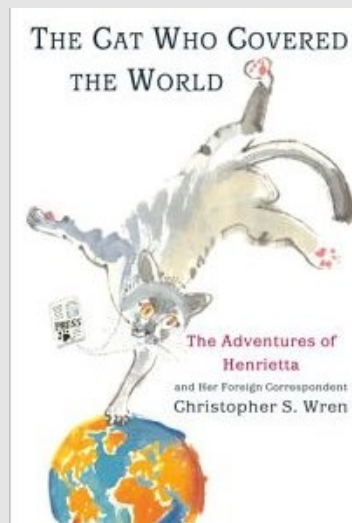
“The author was interested in books and wrote to a bookstore at 84 Charing Cross Road. It started with just ordering books and they became friends and exchanged gifts and letters during World War II. The man died before she could get there to meet him, and she published their letters. It still affects me.”

### The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver



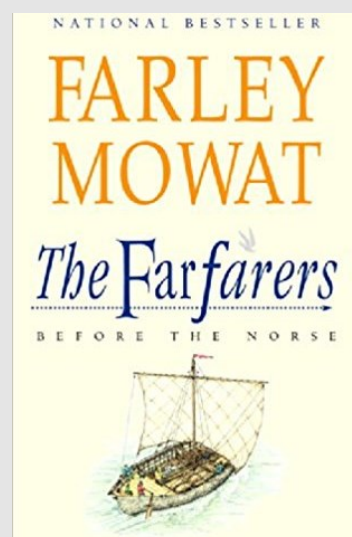
“This book was on hold at the library a lot, and every time I had to call somebody, I'd pick up the book and read a page. It's about a family - the father goes to Africa as a missionary and takes his wife and daughters. The daughters' lives go in such unexpected and different ways.”

### The Cat Who Covered the World by Christopher S. Wren



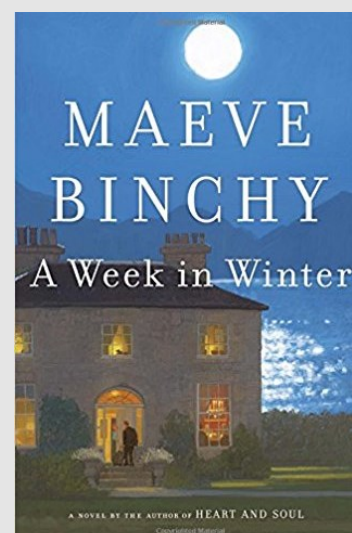
“This is a fun one. The author was a foreign correspondent for the New York Times and traveled the world with his cat Henrietta. This is from the viewpoint of the cat. I recommend this book to anyone that wants nice, light reading, but not fluff.”

### The Farfarers by Farley Mowat



“Farley Mowat puts forth the idea that people in the British Isles were pushed West towards North America. He finds traces of them in Greenland and Iceland. He steps back, looks at the big picture, and puts things together in a different way from conventional wisdom. I am a detail person, and he spent a lot of time studying the Arctic.”

### A Week in Winter by Maeve Binchy



“Sometimes you need something that's just nice and warm - an escape for a while. This is basically a series of short stories that happen in the same building. When you finish a chapter, you're done with that person, so you can actually close the book and get to sleep.”

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