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North Carolina Reads How to Host a Successful Book Club



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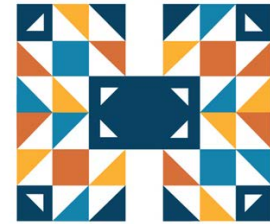


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- Through public humanities programs and grantmaking, North Carolina Humanities connects North Carolinians with cultural experiences that spur dialogue, deepen human connections, and inspire community.
- NC Humanities is a statewide nonprofit and the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.
- NC Humanities is the state affiliate of the Library of Congress Center for the Book (North Carolina Center for the Book).



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Staff Introductions

Melissa Giblin, Director of North
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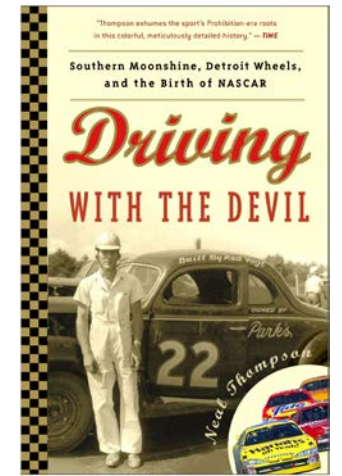
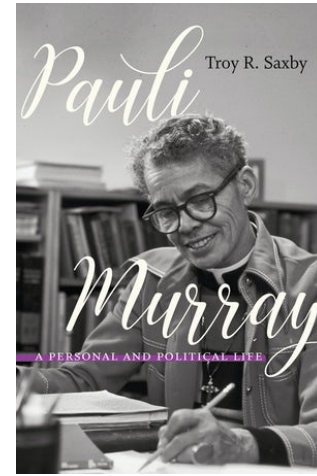
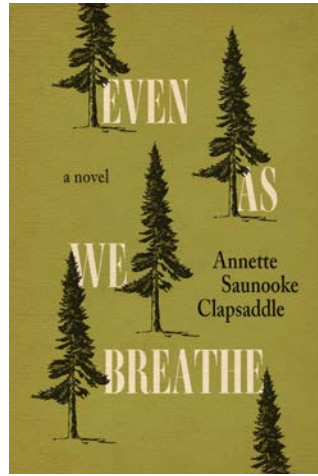
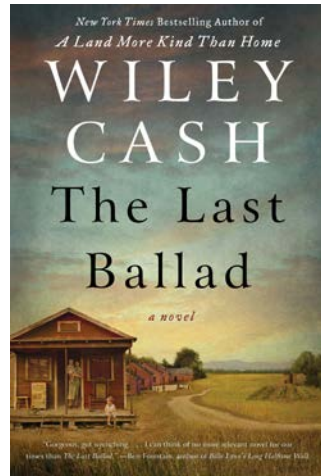
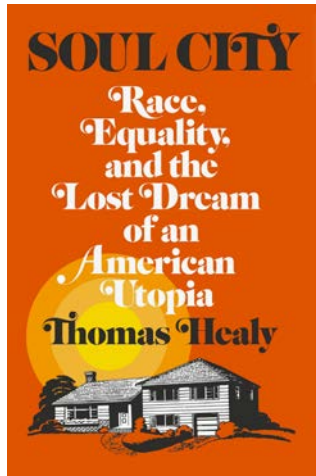
North Carolina Reads Program Overview

- North Carolina Reads is NC Humanities' statewide book club for 2022.
- North Carolina Reads features five books that explore issues of racial, social, and gender equality and the history and culture of North Carolina.
- All five books pose critical questions about how North Carolinians view their role in helping to form a more just and inclusive society.

North Carolina Reads

The graphic displays five book covers for the North Carolina Reads program in 2022:

- Feb 2022:** *Soul City: Race, Equality, and the Lost Dream of an American Utopia* by Thomas Healy. The cover is orange with a white house illustration.
- March 2022:** *The Last Ballad* by Wiley Cash. The cover features a landscape with a wooden building and a road.
- April 2022:** *Evening* by Annette Saunooke Clapsaddle. The cover is olive green with silhouettes of evergreen trees.
- May 2022:** *Pauli Murray: A Personal and Political Life* by Troy R. Saxby. The cover is black and white, showing a portrait of Pauli Murray.
- June 2022:** *Driving with the Devil: Southern Moonshine, Detroit Wheels, and the Birth of NASCAR*. The cover features a checkered pattern and a vintage race car.



The Book Selections

As part of North Carolina Reads, each month we will feature these book selections:

February: *Soul City: Race, Equality, and the Lost Dream of an American Utopia* by Thomas Healy

March: *The Last Ballad* by Wiley Cash

April: *Even As We Breathe* by Annette Saunooke Clapsaddle

May: *Pauli Murray-A Personal and Political Life* by Troy Saxby

June: *Driving with Devil* by Neal Thompson

Please note: Selected books are intended for readers 18+ and may not be suitable for some audiences.

How to Participate

- **Get a copy of the books.**

- Check out your local library or an independent bookstore in your community for copies of the books.

- Use your favorite reading app for electronic or audio versions of the books.

- **Read the books at your own pace.**

- Take advantage of North Carolina Reads paced reading guide and discussion questions available on our website. It's FREE to download!

- **Join North Carolinians at any of five book panel events.**

- Monthly events are free to attend and registration information is available on the next slide.

North Carolina Reads Event Dates

North Carolina Reads events are FREE to attend! Register for events at www.nchumanities.org

Event Dates

- February 28, 2022 at 6:30 pm *Soul City: Race, Equality, and the Lost Dream of an American Utopia*
- March 30, 2022 at 7:00 pm *The Last Ballad*
- April 27, 2022 at 6:30 pm *Even As We Breathe*
- May 11, 2022 at 6:30 pm *Pauli Murray: A Personal and Political Life*
- June 23, 2022 *Driving with the Devil: Southern Moonshine, Detroit Wheels, and the Birth of NASCAR* (Details coming soon!)



Scan the QR code for more info!

Tips for A Successful Book Club

Planning to host a book club? Please see below for some helpful tips!

- **Free Program Guide & Reading Discussion Questions**

More information about how to host a book club is available in our FREE Program Guide and Reading Schedule & Discussion Questions Guide. Download both guides from our website.

- **Program & Community Event Ideas**

- Watch a documentary on the people in the books, add books on similar topics or for different age groups, visit a local history site or museum/virtual tour, host a book discussion, etc.

- **Supplemental Book Club Activities**

- Supplement your book club by attending events hosted by NC Humanities (Consider a Zoom watch party for a group or watch on your own from the convenience of home).

- Monthly events are free to attend (Please note, registration is required).

- **Stay Connected**

- Connect with us any time on Facebook and Twitter at @NCHumanities

- Sign up for our newsletter at www.nchumanities.org

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-More information can be found on www.nchumanities.org

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