

World Books Reading Group

Meets 6:30 pm on the first Wednesday of every month

In the garden at the back of The Burrow - 52 Russell St, West End 4101

A casual discussion group about books from around the world. Each month we read a short essay and a novel from a different country, mixing contemporary classics and new work in English or in English translation. We provide general historical context for our readings in our meetings, as well as an opportunity to discuss the books.

Most titles are available through the Brisbane City Council Library, or can be borrowed from other members of the reading group. Second-hand bookshops around Brisbane are also a good option, and if all else fails AbeBooks.com can help.

This reading group is suitable for people from all backgrounds interested in learning about other cultures, places and ideas. New readers are welcome.

For more information, contact Carolina Caliaba at multiculturalmagazine@gmail.com

2018 Reading list

January 10th: *The Story of My Teeth* by Valeria Luiselli. Mexico/South Africa, 2013

February 7th: *Alone in Berlin* by Hans Fallada. Germany, 1947

March 7th: *China in Ten Words* by Yu Hua. China/Hong Kong, 2011

April 4th: *Anil's Ghost* by Michael Ondaatje. Sri Lanka/Canada, 2000

May 2nd: *Agua Viva* by Clarice Lispector. Ukraine/Brazil, 1973

June 6th: *My Name is Red* by Orhan Pamuk. Turkey, 1998

July 4th: *The Arab of the Future* by Riad Sattouf. Libya/Syria/France. 2014 and 2016 (Graphic Novels)

August 1st: *The Door*, by Magda Szabo. Hungary, 1987

September 5th: *Leo The African*, by Amin Maalouf. Lebanon/France, 1986 (Not available in BCC library)

October 3rd: *Barbed Wire and Cherry Blossoms*, by Anita Heiss. Australia (Wiradjuri), 2016

November 7th: *The Secret Lives of Baba Segi's Wives*, by Lola Soneyin. Nigeria/UK, 2010

December 5th: *Absent*, by Betoool Khedairi. Iraq/Scotland, 2004 (Not available in BCC library)