

Beyond Borders Book Club

Hosted by Keith Brown, Melikian Center Director

Held in the *Ironwood Classroom, Tempe Public Library, 3500 S Rural Rd, Tempe, AZ 85282*

In this book group, we will read fiction by a range of award-winning authors based at the edges of the European Union, who draw from experience to imagine border-crossing, and the encounter with an alien world, from a range of perspectives. Tackling themes of mobility, curiosity and identity, these authors invite us to empathize with characters determined to make meaning out of fractured and divided lives. Across East Europe, a majority of citizens live less than two hours drive from the edge of their country. The challenge, excitement and risk of crossing into a different culture, history, language and worldview have captured the attention of writers, including those in countries that have joined the EU, and those where international travel requires enormous sacrifices.

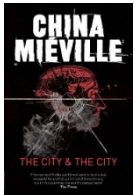


Monday, January 9, at 6:30 PM

Crossing by Pajtim Statovci

<https://www.penguinrandomhouse.com/books/568166/crossing-by-pajtim-statovci/>

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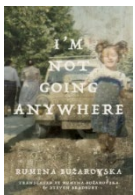


Monday, February 13, 6:30 PM

The City & The City by China Miéville

<https://www.penguinrandomhouse.com/books/114263/the-city-and-the-city-by-china-mieville/>

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Tuesday, March 13, 6:30 PM

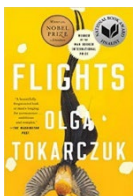
I'm Not Going Anywhere by Rumena Bužarovska – Featuring the author

<https://dalkeyarchive.store/products/im-not-going-anywhere>

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Rumena Bužarovska



Monday, April 10, at 6:30 PM

Flights by Olga Tokarczuk

<https://www.penguinrandomhouse.com/books/565058/flights-by-olga-tokarczuk-translated-by-jennifer-croft/>

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Monday, May 8, at 6:30 PM

Time Shelter by Georgi Gospodinov

<https://www.norton.com/books/9781324090953>

Register: <https://tempepubliclibrary.libnet.info/event/7499236>