

# Cavan Library Service Book Club Sets

Cavan Library Service is delighted to offer the opportunity to borrow from our Book Club Collection - available from any library branch in Cavan.



If you are thinking of starting a Book Club this is the perfect place to start!

- Have a browse and choose a book your group would like to read - it's a good idea to pick more than one option as some sets may be on loan already!
- Contact your local Cavan Library branch to request a set. You will be notified when the set arrives in branch for collection
- Each member of your group must use their own library card to borrow a book. You can elect a representative to collect the books for everyone if you provide them with your library card numbers
- You can organise meetings outside of library opening hours - at a time and a place that suit you best!

## Old Soul

by Susan Barker



The woman never goes by the same name. She never stays in the same place too long. She never ages. She never dies. But those around her do. When two grieving strangers meet by chance in Osaka airport they uncover a disturbing connection. Jake's best friend and Mariko's twin brother each died, 6,000 miles apart, in brutal and unfathomable circumstances.

## 🍀 The Breath of Consolation

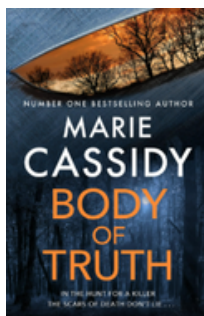
by Josephine Brady



Despite the scale and exponential growth of the cancer book world, uncovering great cancer writing is a monumental task. No treasury of essential reading, nor introductory guide with helpful interpretations, exists. "This book honours fifty literary treasures from three centuries, six continents and thirteen countries. Memoirs, novels, poetry, short stories, and creative non-fiction feature

## 🍀 Body of Truth

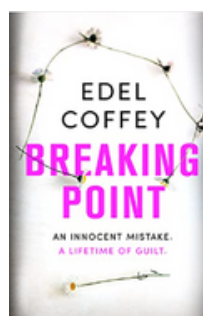
by Marie Cassidy



Terry O'Brien, has just taken up the position as State Pathologist when a high profile murder occurs. The victim is the host of a popular true crime podcast on unsolved murders of Irish women, and a niece of a prominent politician. Terry is thrown into the thick of these cold cases in order to find out what happened to her.

## 🍀 Breaking Point

by Edel Coffey



Susannah has two beautiful daughters, a high-flying medical career, a successful husband, and an enviable life. But when, on the hottest day of the year, her strict morning routine is disrupted, Susannah finds herself running on autopilot. It is hours before she realizes she has made a devastating mistake. Her baby, Louise, is still in the backseat of the car and it is too late to save her.

## 🍀 The Morrigan

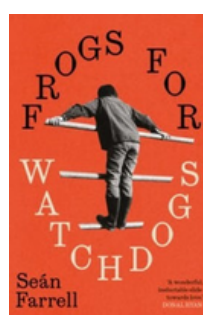
by Kim Curran



From an ancient, storm-tossed sea, a tribe of gods reach the rocky shores of Ireland. Among them, a strange, hungry, red haired girl. A girl who can change shape, from bird to beast to goddess. A girl who dreams of battle, of blood, of death and power. She does not know yet that a woman who seeks to rule will always be in danger

## 🍀 Frogs for Watchdogs

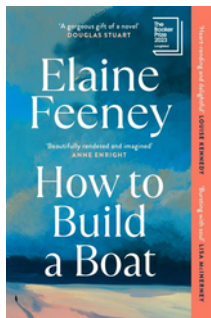
by Sean Farrell



After years of moving from place to place, a young family finds shelter in an isolated house in the countryside. Their father is missing, Mum is a healer and B a formidable big sister. A local farmer is stealing hay from the barn, someone is making nasty phone calls to the house at night and darkness is gathering at the edges of their lives. In his strange new territory, a wild little boy gives voice to his experience.

## ☘ How to Build a Boat

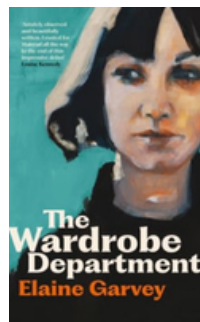
by Elaine Feeney



At age 13 there are two things Jamie wants in life: to build a Perpetual Motion Machine, and to connect with his mother Noelle, who died when he was born. In his mind these things are intimately linked. And at his new school, where all else is disorientating and overwhelming, he finds two people who might just be able to help him.

## ☘ The Wardrobe Department

by Elaine Garvey



Mairéad works in a run-down West End theatre's wardrobe department. She does her best to avoid groping hands backstage and the terrible bullying of the show's producer. But Mairéad feels caught between Soho and Ireland - running from the girl she was but unable to reveal the woman she'd hoped to become.

## The Swell

by Kat Gordon



Iceland, 1910: In the middle of a storm, two sisters rescue a man from a shipwreck near their farm. Sixty-five years later, a young woman is spending time with her grandmother when they learn a body has been discovered on a mountainside near Reykjavik, perfectly preserved in ice. This is a spellbinding read, rich in Icelandic myth.

## ☘ When All Is Said

by Ann Griffin



At the bar of a grand hotel in a small Irish town sits 84-year-old Maurice. Over the course of the night he orders five drinks. With each he toasts a person vital to him: his doomed older brother, his troubled sister-in-law, his daughter of fifteen minutes, his son in America, and his late wife. And through these people, he tells the story of his own life, with all its regrets and feuds, loves and triumphs.

## The Sirens

by Emilia Hart



Sisters separated by hundreds of years. Voices that can't be drowned out. Lucy is running from what she's done, attacking a boy in her sleep. Pursued by nightmares, she makes for her big sister's house, but Jess is gone when she arrives. Lucy is now alone, in a strange town steeped in rumour and women's voices murmuring on the waves

## His Truth, Her Truth

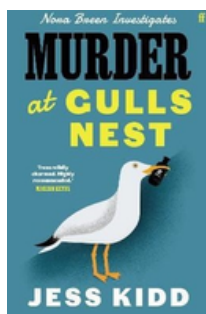
by Noelle Holten



Two bodies found as a result of a home invasion. Then the police see the knives. One in his hand. One in hers. Joe and Beth appeared to have the perfect marriage. But there are two sides to every story. His truth. Her truth. And the actual truth. In this marriage of lies, only one person can be telling the truth, can't they?

## ☘ Murder at Gulls Nest

by Jess Kidd



1954: When her former novice's letters stop, Nora asks to be released from her vows. Haunted by a line in Frieda's letter, Nora arrives at Gulls Nest, a charming hotel in a seaside town. Nora hides her identity and pries into the lives of her fellow guests, but when a series of bizarre murders occur it's time to ask if a dark past can ever really be left behind.

## ☘ I Want To Go Home, But I'm Already There

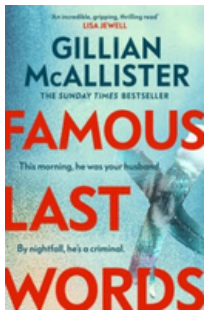
by Roisin Lanigan



Áine should be feeling happy with her life. She's just moved in with Elliot. Their new flat is in a good neighbourhood, surrounded by bakeries, yoga studios and organic vegetable shops. They even have a garden. And yet, from the moment they move in, Áine can't shake the sense that there's something not quite right about the place

## Famous Last Words

by Gillian McAllister



After months of maternity leave Carmilla will drop her daughter off at day-care for the first time and return work. But when she wakes her husband Luke isn't there. A cryptic note is. Then it starts. Breaking news: a hostage situation in London. The police arrive, and tell her Luke is involved. But he isn't a hostage – he's the gunman

## When Light is Like Water

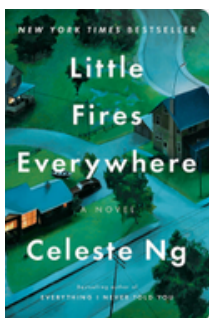
by Molly McCloskey



Alice, a young American on her travels, arrives in Ireland with no plans and no strong attachments - except to her beloved mother, who raised her on her own. She falls in love with an Irishman, marries him, and settles down in a place whose codes she struggles to crack. And then, in the course of a single hot summer, she embarks on an affair that breaks her marriage and sets her life on a new course

## Little Fires Everywhere

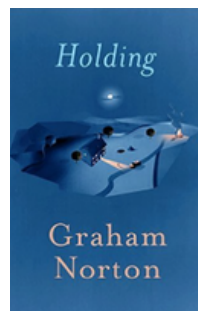
by Celeste Ng



Everyone in Shaker Heights was talking about it that summer: how Isabelle, the last of the Richardson children, had finally gone around the bend and burned the house down. The arrival of Mia Warren with her daughter Pearl, disrupts idyllic Shaker Heights. They rent a house from the Richardsons. Soon Mia and Pearl become more than just tenants: all four Richardson children are drawn to the mother-daughter pair.

## Holding

by Graham Norton



The remote Irish village of Duneen has known little drama, and yet its inhabitants are troubled: Sergeant P.J. Collins hasn't always been this overweight; Brid Riordan, a mother of two, hasn't always been an alcoholic; and elegant Evelyn Ross hasn't always felt that her life was a total waste. So when human remains are discovered on an old farm, the village's dark past begins to unravel

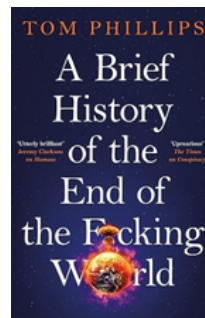
## Joyride to Jupiter

Nuala O'Connor



A heartbroken man deals with his wife's Alzheimer's as best he can. The Jesus of O'Connell Street reflects on his situation, which isn't half bad. A too-young girl witnesses her father's shocking infidelity. A quiet murder on a riverbank. Imperfect lovers and unlikely friends thwart and bolster each other as they act out their dramas on the beaches of Brazil, in the bedrooms of Dublin, and in the wilds of North America.

## A Brief History of the End of the F\*cking World



This book is about the apocalypse, and how humans have always believed it to be nigh. Across thousands of years, we'll meet weird cults, failed prophets and mass panics, holy warriors leading revolts in anticipation of the last days, and suburbanites waiting for aliens to rescue them from a doomed Earth

## The Knowing

by Madeleine Ryan



Camille lives in the country. She's forgotten her phone. She's taking the train to work. She's got period pain. She can't escape herself ... or her toxic boss, Holly. And it's Valentine's Day. The Knowing is a day in the life of a woman who goes to work as usual while dreaming of more.

## Secrets & Styes

by Gerard Smith



Home' is a place called Cavan, where seven-year-old Gerard sets out to find the identity of the tall-man, a ghost who visited his father when he was a child. However, his quest is thwarted by adult-whisperings and secrets that turn Gerard's search into a frantic race to save his siblings from his own sinful secret.

## One Last Summer

by Kate Spencer



Clara's life is chaotic: her dream job is disappointing, she's single, and she hasn't taken a break in years. She hopes to escape by joining friends at their childhood camp. However, upon arrival at Pine Lake Camp, she learns the owners are retiring, leading to a night of reminiscing between Clara and Mack. Soon the campfires aren't all that's throwing off sparks.

## Tiananmen Square

by Lai Wen



It is Beijing in the 1970s, and Lai lives with her parents, grandmother and younger brother in a small flat in a working-class area. As she grows up, Lai comes to discern the realities of the country she lives in: an early encounter with the police haunts her for years; her father makes her see that his quietness is a reaction to experiences he has lived through; and an old bookseller subtly introduces her to ideas that open her mind to different perspectives



## Wrong Women

by Caroline West



Tucked away in Dublin's north inner city, Monto purported to be Europe's biggest red-light district from 1860 to 1925 with up to 1600 sex workers at any one time - made headlines for wild tales of debauchery. This account balances the historical origins of Monto and brings the women who made a home there to life

## Good Dirt

by Charmaine Wilkerson



Ebby flees to France, haunted by her past. And as she tries to process, she begins to think about the loss her family suffered eighteen years ago: a stoneware jar that had been in their family for generations, brought North by an enslaved ancestor. Little does she know that the jar held more than just her family's history - it might also hold the key to unlocking her own future.