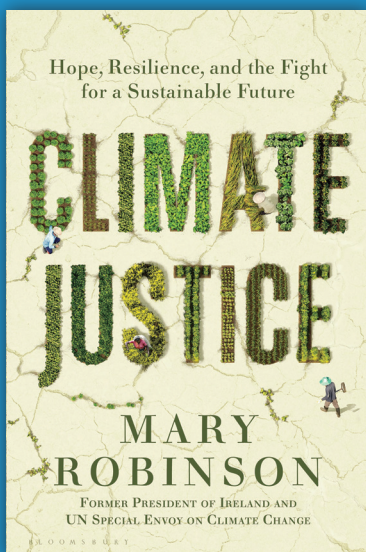


READ SAINT PAUL BRAVE

SPARKING BRAVE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT OUR CLIMATE CRISIS

2020 BOOK SELECTIONS



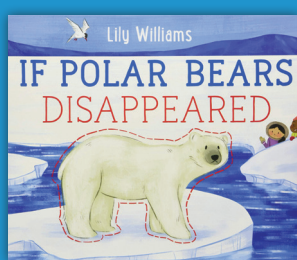
Read Brave Saint Paul is a new twist on the traditional city one-book program. Rather than a single book, the program revolves around a common theme relevant to our city. Our librarians curate a collection of titles that explore the theme, including picture books, early and middle-grade readers, a young-adult novel, and an adult non-fiction book. All readers — from our youngest children to our elders — are then encouraged to engage in the program through reading, discussion, programming, and action. **The 2020 Read Brave theme is “Our Climate Crisis.”**

The Marrow Thieves, by Canadian Métis author, Cherie Dimaline, is this year’s primary book selection. A 2018 Canada Reads finalist, the young-adult novel imagines a dystopian future where global warming has ravaged the earth and, with it, most people’s ability to dream. Indigenous people, who can still dream, are hunted for their marrow to create a serum for others. The story follows Frenchie, a teenager on the run. After his brother is captured, Frenchie must create an ad hoc family and fight to preserve his people. **Dimaline will visit Saint Paul March 11-13, 2020.**

Climate Justice: Hope, Resilience, and the Fight for a Sustainable Future, by Mary Robinson, the former President of Ireland, is this year’s nonfiction selection. Robinson gives voice to farmers, activists, and ordinary people worldwide who are facing the effects of the climate crisis with courage and innovation. Her book acknowledges the hardship and uncertainty environmental degradation has had on traditional ways of life and celebrates the resilience of people who have worked for sustainable solutions.

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