

# Summer Reading Challenge

**Explore Cultures & Identity** 

## **Red Island House** Andrea Lee

Gorgeously evocative, Red Island House follows two decades in the life of Shav, an African-American professor whose husband Senna, a brash and wealthy Italian businessman, builds her a dream house in Madagascar.

#### The Revolution According to Raymundo Mata

**Gina Apostol** Raymundo Mata is a nightblind bookworm and a revolutionary in the Philippine war against Spain in 1896. In this story about a love of books, the story of a nation emerges.

## Aftershocks: a memoir Nadia Owusu

A powerful coming-of-age story that explores the timely and universal themes of rejection and identity.

# My Year Abroad **Chang-rae Lee**

A brilliant, exuberant and entertaining story of a young American whose life is transformed when a Chinese-American businessman suddenly takes him under his wing on a global adventure

#### Brown Album: essays on exile and identity Porochista Khakpour

A collection of essays that draws on her personal experiences to explore the realities of the Iranian-American immigration experience in the post-9/11 era of Donald Trump.

# The Thirty Names of Night Zeyn Joukhadar

Follows three generations of Syrian Americans who are linked by a mysterious species of bird and the truths they carry close to their hearts.

## Let's Get Back to the Party **Zak Salih**

Estranged childhood friends Oscar and Sebastian-both too young to have a personal relationship with the AIDS crisis but too old to have enjoyed the freedom of an out adolescence.



