



FEBRUARY NEWS FROM YOUR LIBRARY

JOIN US AT OUR MEMBERS' NIGHT

All members are warmly invited to come and share some wine and cheese, and celebrate our recent renovations, on Wednesday 21st March from 6-7.30pm.

If you haven't already visited the library in 2020, there's new carpet and paint, and a relocated desk, which has created more seating along the Collins St windows. New chairs are also on their way.

Thank you to our members for your patience during the renovations.

Please let us know if you would like to join us on March 21, either by calling 9650 3100 or emailing library@melbourneathenaeum.org.au



We hope to see you there.

MUSIC PERFORMANCE: TANYA-LEE DAVIES AND STEVE LUCAS

Australian songstress Tanya-Lee Davies will join singer/songwriter/producer Steve Lucas for a series of duets at the library's first contemporary musical performance for 2020.

Writing about the performance, Tanya-Lee said: "I've been invited by Steve Lucas to sing and tell stories in what sounds like a very





sophisticated affair, a salon no less, at the Athenaeum Library. I LOVE a library. Especially when you're allowed to talk."

Tanya-Lee and Steve will perform from 6pm on Friday 21st February. Bookings for the performance are essential, on 9650 3100 or library@melbourneathenaeum.org.au Members are free and guests are just \$10. Refreshments will be provided.

THE LIBRARY'S MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN 2019

Library staff have collated a list of the most frequently borrowed books in 2019 – and crime fiction is the overwhelming favourite. Among the most popular titles were:

The Promised Land by Barry Maitland

Bruno, Chief of Police by Martin Walker

The Dry by Jane Harper

Unto Us a Son is Given by Donna Leon

Metropolis by Philip Kerr

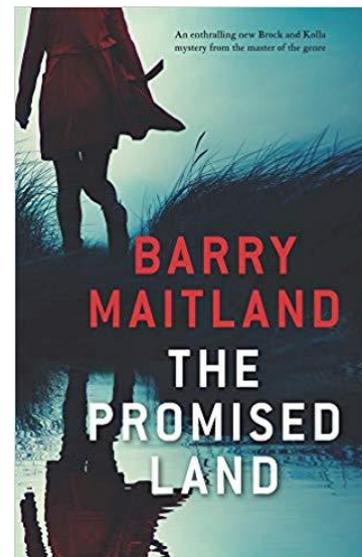
Telling Tales by Ann Cleeves

The Moscow Sleepers by Stella Rimington

Big Sky by Kate Atkinson

One Good Turn by Kate Atkinson

When Will There Be Good News by Kate Atkinson



If you would like to see a longer list please speak to the library staff.

LOOKING FOR eBook ADVICE?

Keen to start using eBooks but not sure how to get started? The library staff are here to help. You can book a time on the first Tuesday of each month to sit down with a library staff member and ask their advice on all things tech related. To book a time on Tuesday 4th February (or any other first Tuesday of the month) phone 9650 3100 or email library@melbourneathenaeum.org.au.



MELBOURNE OPERA AT THE ATHENAEUM THEATRE

To celebrate the 250th anniversary of Beethoven's birth, Melbourne Opera is presenting Beethoven's only opera, *Fidelio*, conducted by leading international Maestro Anthony Negus, at the Athenaeum Theatre.

Under the direction of Hugh Halliday, the cast includes Kirstin Sharpin as Leonore, Australian international stars Warwick Fyfe and Brad Daley as Pizarro and Florestan and current Herald Sun Aria winner Rebecca Rashleigh as Marzelline.

There are only four performances at the Athenaeum – Wednesday 5th February at 7pm, Saturday 8th February at 2pm, Tuesday 11th February at 7.30pm and Thursday 13th February at 7.30pm. Tickets are via www.ticketek.com.au

