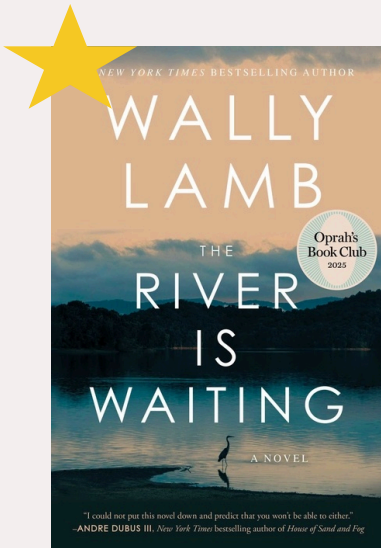


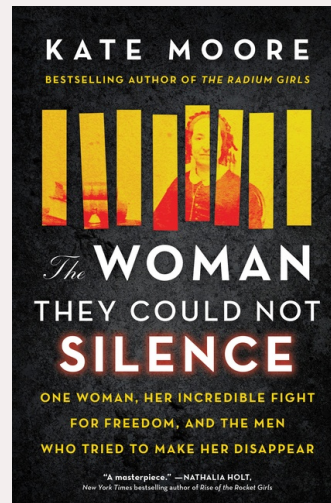


# Ellen's PICKS

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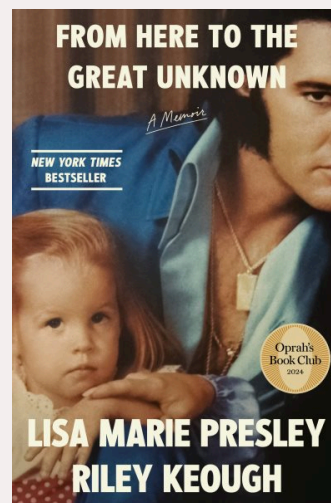
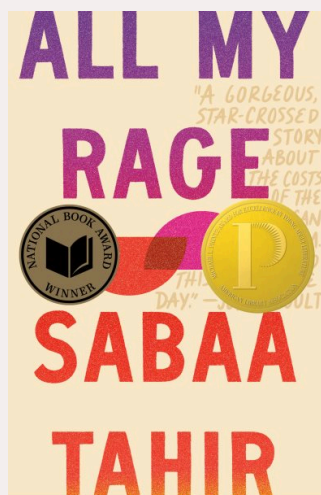
Lamb does it again - writes a story so remarkable you just don't want it to end. It's sad - heartbreakingly so - but such an honest portrayal of life and modern life struggles. What happens in the beginning (no spoilers) absolutely shocked me.



From the author of Radium Girls - this NF book reads like fiction for sure! Elizabeth Packard is a 19th century wife and mother whose husband has her committed to an insane asylum. Her independent spirit leads her to not only look to defy her persecutors, but she also becomes a law maker and author. You will root for her the whole way through!

## A YA Rec:

Two Pakistani American teens are best friends and are both dealing with family struggles at the same time they are navigating their complicated lives and what comes after high school. This book gets dark, but deals with so many themes relevant today. I also loved the music theme throughout.



What a lovely memoir. Apparently Lisa Marie Presley had started to write a book before her death and her daughter Riley Keough finished it. This family has been through so much, despite having fame, money and success. There is a lot about Lisa Marie's life and memories of Elvis and how he was as a father.



= my favorite book of the month