

**Another Time, Another Place  
Fall 2020 Zoom Class**

| <b>Week</b> | <b>Date</b>            | <b>Book (Pages)</b>                            | <b>Discussant (s)</b>          |
|-------------|------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| 1           | Sept. 15               | The Night Watchman (3-150, "Woodland Beauty")  | Pam Kearney                    |
| 2           | 22                     | The Night Watchman (151-250, "The Tonsils")    | Joan Hausrath                  |
| 3           | 29                     | The Night Watchman (251-350, "The Night Bird") | Barbara Barnes                 |
| 4           | Oct. 6                 | The Night Watchman (351-end)                   | Sidney Okashige<br>Peter Mebel |
| 5           | 13                     | The Nickel Boys (3-114, Prologue-Ch. 9)        | Vicky McGrath                  |
| 6           | 20                     | The Nickel Boys (115-end, Ch.10-Epilogue)      | Arthur Tennebaum               |
| 7           | 27                     | Dictator (3-102, Chs. I-V)                     | Linda Mathewson                |
| 8           | Nov. 3<br><b>VOTE!</b> | Dictator (103-212, Chs. VI-XI)                 | Paul Wortman                   |
| 9           | 10                     | Dictator (215-301, Chs. XII-XV)                | Karen Longeteig                |
| 10          | 17                     | Dictator (302-end, Chs. XVI-XIX)               | <b>CLASS</b>                   |

## Welcome to "Another Time, Another Place" - A ZOOM Class

Dear LLC Colleagues -----

It's the Sabbath and I've just heard from our wonderful LLC Administrator, Merrie Lavigne, that we have a minyan (trans. 13 people necessary for a gathering usually for Jewish prayers) and we're ready to embark on our literary journeys through history. So, here's what you need to pack before we set sail.

1. Download the Zoom app. Yes, this is a Zoom course and you'll need the app to participate. Your device should have both audio and video (that is, a camera) so that we can both hear and see you. You will receive a link from me 15 minutes before each class that you will click on to be admitted to the Zoom meeting. For more Zoom training, which I also need, join in an LLC Zoom training session or contact one of the LLC Zoom trainers like "Zoom Master" Becky Randolph.

2. Purchase the three books that we'll be reading--"The Night Watchman" by Louise Erdrich (451 pp.), "The Nickel Boys" by Colson Whitehead (210 pp.), and "Dictator" by Robert Harris (376 pp.). All are available from Amazon, but there are good discounted, used booksellers like [abebooks.com](http://abebooks.com) and [thriftbooks.com](http://thriftbooks.com) as well as your local library.

3. Start reading. For our first session on Tuesday, September 15 from 10:00 AM-noon you'll need to read the first 150 pages of "The Night Watchman" (up to "Woodland Beauty"). That will allow us to keep to 100 pages of reading per week for the remaining nine weeks of the course.

4. Discussion Leaders. I would like one or two of you to volunteer to co-lead the discussion each week (I will be sending out a sign-up sheet tomorrow). However, you can volunteer right now for a book you'd like to cover. We will be reading them in the order listed above at the rate of approximately 100 pages per week. With four weeks on "The Night Watchman," then two weeks on "The Nickel Boys," and finally four weeks on "Dictator." All you have to do is to prepare 6-8 questions for discussion to be circulated to the class a week prior. At least two questions should deal with the history covered. You also may want to circulate a short article that presents a more in-depth coverage of the history.

NOTE to the class: We also need to keep in mind that we are dealing with very talented writers. You are urged to point out phrases, passages, and descriptions that you found especially evocative and insightful. I look forward to Zooming with you all as we travel through time.

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