

# Made in Michigan

## A Book Discussion Series Winter 2020

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The Milford Public Library's Winter 2020 book discussions will be three fiction tales that take place in the Great Lakes State. We'll be discussing the novels *The First Phone Call from Heaven* by Mitch Albom, *The Lock Artist* by Steve Hamilton, and *Across the Great Lake* by Lee Zacharias.

Meetings are in the Community Room from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. on: Monday, February 24, 2020; Monday, March 30, 2020; and, Monday, April 27, 2020.

Registration for this series begins on Monday, January 13, 2020. To register for one or more discussions:

- Fill out the registration form in this brochure and hand it in at the Adult Reference desk or mail it to the library
- Call the Adult Services department at 248-684-0845, option 3

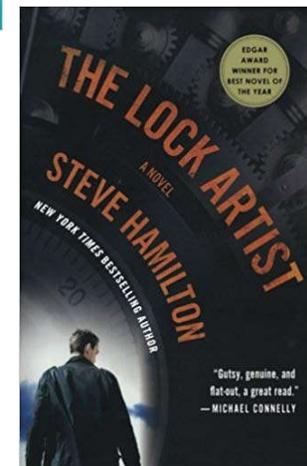
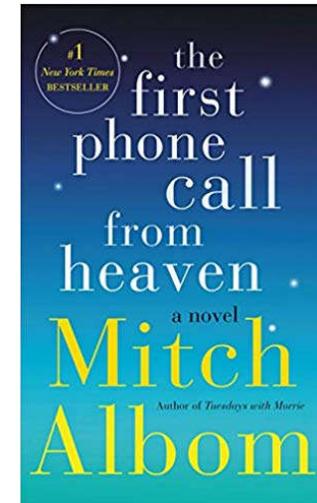
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## Great Lakes Fiction A to Z

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To sign up for a discussion:

- Check the title of the book being discussed

To reserve books and/or books-on-CD:

- Check Book to reserve the book
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*The First Phone Call from Heaven*

By Mitch Albom

Monday, February 24, 2020

6:30–8:00 PM

In Albom's 4th novel the small town of Coldwater, Michigan is suddenly thrust into the spotlight when its citizens receive phone calls from their deceased loved ones in heaven. Is it the greatest miracle ever? Or some cruel hoax? As news of these strange calls spreads, outsiders flock to Coldwater to be a part of it.

*The Lock Artist* \*

By Steve Hamilton

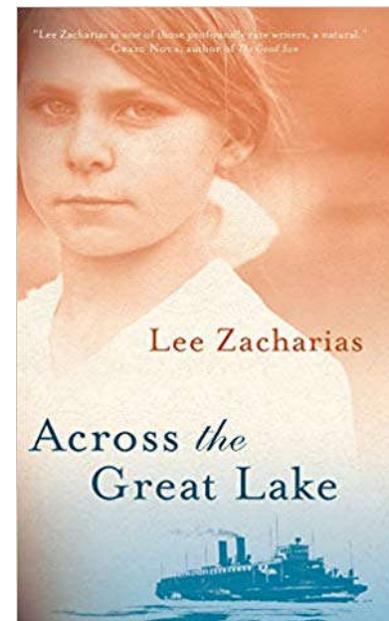
Monday, March 30, 2020

6:30–8:00 PM

In this stand-alone novel (a departure from Hamilton's Edgar Award-winning Alex McKnight series) Michael is nearing the end of his 9-year prison term. Mute since the age of 7 (following a childhood trauma that also left him orphaned) the seventeen-year-old discovers he has twin talents for art & lock-breaking. Moving back and forth in time, Mike narrates his strange journey from his home in Michigan to both coasts; apprenticed to an aging safecracker, and doing various jobs for a mysterious Detroit mobster.

\*Winner of the 2011 Edgar Award for Best Novel

by the Mystery Writers of America.



*Across the Great Lake* \*

By Lee Zacharias

Monday, April 27, 2020

6:30–8:00 PM

In her eighty-fifth year, Fern Halvorson tells the story of her childhood journey across Lake Michigan and the secret she has kept since that ill-fated voyage. Her father captains the *Manitou*, a huge and powerful ship transporting railroad cars across Lake Michigan. Young Fern revels in the freedom of the ferry, making friends with a stowaway cat, and a gentle young deckhand; but, the sighting of a ghost ship portends danger for all aboard.

\*Winner of the Michigan Notable Book Awards, 2019