

## **PULITZER PAIRINGS**

#OwnVoices Beloved, Elbow Room, House Made of Dawn, Interpreter of Maladies,

The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao, The Color Purple, The Known World, http://www.zoramquynh.com/bipoc-pulitzer-book-list/

The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love, The Nickel Boys, The Sympathizer,

The Underground Railroad, The Night Watchman

**Native Americans** The Night Watchman, House Made of Dawn, Tinkers,

The Travels of Jamie McPheeters, Lonesome Dove, The Way West **Portrayals** 

Slavery Beloved, The Keepers of the House, The Known World,

The Underground Railroad

Abolition Gilead, March

Civil War Andersonville, The Killer Angels

Rabbit is Rich, The Color Purple, The Nickel Boys, The Night Watchman, Abject Post-Slavery Racism

The Netanyahus

Gilead, Elbow Room Interracial marriage

WW2 All the Light We Cannot See, Guard of Honor, Tales of the South Pacific,

The Caine Mutiny

Vietnam War American Pastoral, A Good Scent from a Strange Mountain, Elbow Room,

The Sympathizer

(AKA Diaspora)

Displacement from Homeland A Good Scent from a Strange Mountain, The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar

Wao, The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love, The Sympathizer,

The Netanyahus

Oppressive Foreign

Government

The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay, The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao, The Fixer,

The Mambo Kings Sing Songs of Love, The Orphan Master's Son,

The Sympathizer

Advise and Consent, Andersonville, Guard of Honor, The Edge of Sadness, Epic Systemic Fail

The Executioner's Song, The Fixer, The Nickel Boys, To Kill a Mockingbird,

The Netanyahus, Demon Copperhead, Trust

Prison Andersonville, The Fixer, The Executioner's Song,

Flowering Judas/The Collected Stories of Katherine Anne Porter

Survival The Color Purple, The Orphan Master's Son, The Overstory, The Old Man and the Sea, The Road, The Night Watchman, Demon Copperhead Dying white guy lookback Angle of Repose, Gilead, The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love, Tinkers A Death in the Family, Breathing Lessons, The Optimist's Daughter Death Magnet Epistolary-ish Angle of Repose, Gilead, The Color Purple, The Travels of Jaimie McPheeters (written as letters or lots of letters) Literary Launchpad A Thousand Acres, March, The Hours, Demon Copperhead Intellectual Yammering Advise and Consent, A Confederacy of Dunces, Humboldt's Gift, The Stone Diaries, The Netanyahus Inspired by Beloved, The Confessions of Nat Turner, The Executioner's Song, Actual Events The Nickel Boys, The Night Watchman, The Netanyahus Inspired by Journals Angle of Repose, The Travels of Jaimie McPheeters Search for Identity The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao, Middlesex, Empire Falls, The Stone Diaries, The Shipping News, The Netanyahus, Demon Copperhead, Trust Coming of Age Middlesex, The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay, The Goldfinch, The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao, The Travels of Jamie McPheeters, To Kill a Mockingbird, Demon Copperhead Kids Doing the Right Thing The Nickel Boys, Empire Falls, The Old Man and the Sea A Visit from the Goon Squad, Rabbit at Rest, Olive Kitteridge, Aging The Old Man and the Sea, A Summons to Memphis Gilead, The Optimist's Daughter, A Summons to Memphis, Humboldt's Gift, Much Younger Woman The Stone Diaries, The Mambo Kings Sing Songs of Love Distressed Woman with A Thousand Acres, American Pastoral, Lonesome Dove Cattle or Farm Major Bitch/Bastard A Thousand Acres, Empire Falls, Humboldt's Gift, The Caine Mutiny, The Optimist's Daughter, The Shipping News, Trust, Demon Copperhead American Pastoral, Empire Falls, The Goldfinch, The Nickel Boys Kids Who Break the System



<u>Intense Relationships</u>

Mother/Son A Confederacy of Dunces, Breathing Lessons, Olive Kitteridge Father/Son The Road, Independence Day, Rabbit Is Rich, Rabbit at Rest,

The Travels of Jamie McPheeters

Father/Daughter American Pastoral, Empire Falls, The Shipping News

Brothers Empire Falls, Humboldt's Gift, The Mambo Kings Sing Songs of Love

Sisters A Thousand Acres, A Summons to Memphis, The Color Purple

Mentors Old Man and the Sea, Humboldt's Gift

Religion Edge of Sadness, Gilead, The Netanyahus

Crime/Legal/Thriller A Thousand Acres, Advise and Consent, Ironweed, The Executioner's Song,

The Goldfinch, The Night Watchman

Comedy/Satire A Confederacy of Dunces, Less, Rabbit at Rest, Rabbit is Rich,

The Reivers, Humboldt's Gift, The Netanyahus

Academics in Love Abroad Foreign Affairs, Less

Inspired by Cornell Professors Foreign Affairs, The Netanyahus

Road Trips Breathing Lessons, Lonesome Dove, The Road,

The Travels of Jamie McPheeters, The Way West, The Netanyahus

Manifest Destiny House Made of Dawn, Lonesome Dove

Substance abuse The Goldfinch, The Edge of Sadness, The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love,

The Swimmer/Stories of John Cheever, The Travels of Jamie McPheeters,

Demon Copperhead

PTSD/Mental Illness A Thousand Acres, American Pastoral, Beloved, Breathing Lessons,

House Made of Dawn, Lonesome Dove,

Martin Dressler: The Tale of an American Dreamer, The Goldfinch,

The Known World, Trust

Physical Disability All the Light We Cannot See, Angle of Repose,

The Interior Castle/Stafford, The Known World,

The Travels of Jamie McPheeters

Canadian Families with

Baggage

The Shipping News, The Stone Diaries

Nosy Maine Neighbors Empire Falls, Olive Kitteridge

Hotel Inspirations The Nickel Boys, Martin Dressler: The Tale of an American Dreamer



Music A Visit from the Goon Squad, Breathing Lessons,

The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love

The Stone Diaries, A Thousand Acres, The Travels of Jamie McPheeters. Gardeners & Farmers

The Town

Reversal of Fortune

A Thousand Acres, Humbolt's Gift, The Known World, (AKA Peripetia) Martin Dressler: The Tale of an American Dreamer,

The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay, The Color Purple,

The Stone Diaries, The Travels of Jamie McPheeters, Trust, Demon

Copperhead

**Short Story Collections** Robert Olen Butler, John Cheever, Jhumpa Lahiri, James Alan McPherson,

James A. Michener, Katherine Anne Porter, Jean Stafford

Novels via Stories A Visit from the Goon Squad, Olive Kitteridge, Trust

Man Embraces Nature A Thousand Acres, Old Man and the Sea, The Overstory

Ex-Jocks American Pastoral, Rabbit is Rich, Rabbit at Rest, Demon Copperhead

Jersey Boys American Pastoral, Independence Day, The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao

**Explicit** Rabbit at Rest, Rabbit is Rich, The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love

Supernatural/Magical Realism Beloved, Ironweed, The Underground Railroad

Dead Poet Mentor Humbolt's Gift, Less

Writing about Writers American Pastoral, Elbow Room, Humboldt's Gift, Independence Day, Less,

The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay, The Hours, Demon Copperhead

Debut Novels To Kill a Mockingbird, Tinkers, The Known World, The Sympathizer,

Advise and Consent, Interpreter of Maladies

Pulitzer Connections Robinson was Harding's Iowa writing workshop mentor

Bellow taught Kennedy at the University of Puerto Rico

Roth & Updike were buddies

McMurtry was student in Stegner's creative writing program McMurtry adapted a Proulx story into "Brokeback Mountain" film