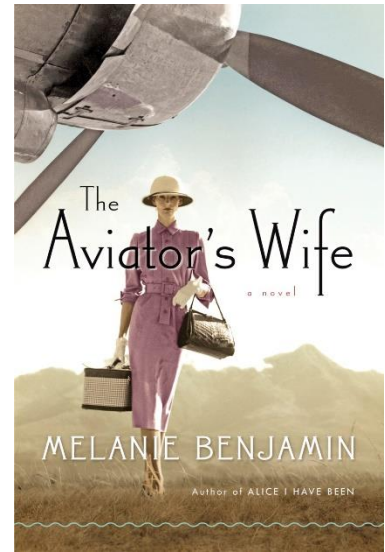


## Rosenberg Library Announces Museum Book Club Fall 2018 Selection

Rosenberg Library is pleased to announce that its selection for the Fall 2018 Museum Book Club series is ***The Aviator's Wife*** by Melanie Benjamin. This historical novel is based on the life of Anne Morrow Lindbergh, wife of the famous American aviator Charles Lindbergh.

The Fall Museum Book Club meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 17 from 12 noon – 1:00 p.m. in the McCullough Room on the library's 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Light refreshments will be provided.



**Cover image of *The Aviator's Wife* by Melanie Benjamin**

### **Book Summary**

When Anne Morrow, a shy college senior with hidden literary aspirations, travels to Mexico City to spend Christmas with her family, she meets Colonel Charles Lindbergh, fresh off his celebrated 1927 solo flight across the Atlantic. Enthralled by Charles's assurance and fame, Anne is certain the aviator has scarcely noticed her. But she is wrong. Charles sees in Anne a kindred spirit, a fellow adventurer, and her world will be changed forever. The two marry in a headline-making wedding. In the years that follow, Anne becomes the first licensed female glider pilot in the United States. But despite this and other major achievements, she is viewed merely as the aviator's wife. The fairy-tale life she once longed for will bring heartbreak and hardships, ultimately pushing her to reconcile her need for love and her desire for independence, and to embrace, at last, life's infinite possibilities for change and happiness.

### **About the Author**

Melanie Benjamin is the author of the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling historical novels *The Swans of Fifth Avenue*, about Truman Capote and his society swans, and *The Aviator's Wife*, a novel about Anne Morrow Lindbergh. Her latest historical novel, *The Girls in the Picture*, is about the friendship and creative partnership between two of

Hollywood's earliest female legends—screenwriter Frances Marion and superstar Mary Pickford.

Previous historical novels include the national bestseller *Alice I Have Been*, about Alice Liddell, the inspiration for *Alice in Wonderland*, and *The Autobiography of Mrs. Tom Thumb*, the story of 32-inch-tall Lavinia Warren Stratton, a star during the Gilded Age.

Her novels have been translated in over fifteen languages, featured in national magazines such as *Good Housekeeping*, *People*, and *Entertainment Weekly*, and optioned for film. (author bio courtesy of [melaniebenjamin.com](http://melaniebenjamin.com))

### **From the Permanent Collection**

Rosenberg Library staff will share historic artifacts and photographs related to early aviation history. Among these will be items related to Douglas “Wrong-Way” Corrigan, a Galveston-born pilot who was a contemporary of Charles and Anne Lindbergh.

### **About the Museum Book Club**

Rosenberg Library's Museum Book Club offers participants the chance to experience art and literature in a more interactive way. Members have the opportunity to view rarely exhibited art and historical artifacts from the library's permanent collection as they discuss related books.

Registration is required for all Museum Book Club meetings. Please visit <http://www.rosenberg-library.org> or call 409-763-8854 ext. 125 to register.

*The Aviator's Wife* is available for [check-out](#) at Rosenberg Library.