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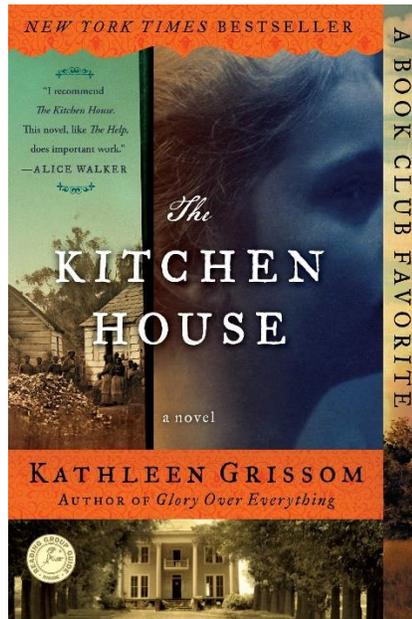
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Re: Book discussion of *The Kitchen House* at the Sequim Branch Library

The Kitchen House by Kathleen Grissom will be discussed at 4pm on Wednesday, June 28, at the Sequim Branch of the North Olympic Library System (NOLS). All are welcome to join!

“Lavinia, an orphaned seven-year-old white indentured servant, arrives in 1791 to work in the kitchen house at Tall Oaks, a Tidewater, VA, tobacco plantation owned by Capt. James Pyke. Belle, the captain's illegitimate half-white daughter who runs the kitchen house, shares narration duties, and the two distinctly different voices chronicle a troublesome 20 years: Lavinia becomes close to the slaves working the kitchen house, but she can't fully fit in because of her race. At 17, she marries Marshall, the captain's brutish son turned inept plantation master, and as Lavinia ingratiates herself into the family and the big house, racial tensions boil over into lynching, rape, arson, and murder. The plantation's social order's emphasis on violence, love, power, and corruption provides a trove of tension and grit, while the many nefarious doings will keep readers hooked to the twisted, yet hopeful, conclusion.” (Reed Business Information)

Copies of *The Kitchen House* are available in various formats including regular print, downloadable e-book, e-audiobook, Playaway, large print, and audiobook on CD, and can be requested online by visiting the library catalog at www.nols.org.

The Sequim Branch Library is located at 630 North Sequim Avenue. For more information about this and other book groups, visit www.nols.org and select “Events” and “Book Groups,” or contact the Sequim Branch Library at 360.683.1161. This program is generously supported by the Friends of Sequim Library.



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