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Read these books coming to the big screen

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Oh what a year it has been for books to movies! Nicholas Sparks' *The Best of Me*, Mark Helprin's *Winter's Tale*, Veronica Roth's *Divergent*, Gillian Flynn's *Gone Girl*, And the list keeps growing.

Catawba County Library has all of the books listed here, and will likely have the DVDs in stock as well when they come out later next year.

In the meantime, you can read the rest of these stories before you head to the theatres this November and December when these new films hit the theatres.

Of course you will find differences between the book and the movie version. That's because print and film are different media—a book manuscript averages 300 pages. Screenplays are far shorter, about 125 pages. Books by their very nature explore themes and background in greater depth. Movies, on the other hand, are a visual medium. They must offer the eye-catching punch to keep the audience engaged. Scenes may or may not mirror what's in the book.

The good news is that you still have time to enjoy these books before the film release.

Mockingjay by Suzanne Collins (Nov. 21). The sequel to the *Hunger Games* opens with Katniss Everdeen in District 13. A revolution to overthrow the capitol is underway as she fights to save her love Peeta, who was captured at the end of the last film. Look for Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson, Liam Hemsworth and Philip Seymour Hoffman in the cast.

Wild by Cheryl Strayed. (Dec. 5). A woman, who's lost everything, inexperienced and alone, hikes over 1,000 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail in search of herself. Reese Witherspoon stars in this autobiographical tale.

Inherent Vice by Thomas Pynchon (Dec. 12). In the late '60s, detective Larry "Doc" Sportello's ex-girlfriend who appears to and tell him of a plot to kidnap her billionaire boyfriend. The psychedelic thriller stars Joaquin Phoenix, Josh Brolin and Reese Witherspoon, among others.

The Hobbit by J. R. R. Tolkien (Dec. 17). The classic tale of Middle-earth is at stake as Dwarves, Elves and Men unite against evil forces. The film will feature Benedict Cumberbatch, Orlando Bloom and Ian McKellan.

Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand (Dec. 25). An Olympic runner turned war hero, Louis Zamperini, along with two mates, survives for 47 days on a raft after their plane is shot down during World War II. The three are rescued by the Japanese and then imprisoned. Directed by Angelina Jolie, the movie stars Domhnall Gleeson, Jack O'Connell and Garrett Hedlund.

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