



Literary suggestions from our friends at the
Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh

The Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh is filled with information about our diverse Pittsburgh heritage, including the men and women who worked in and around our area's booming steel industry. Check out some of these titles to complement your enjoyment of Run the Rabbit Path performance.

The Last Trip: an Irish-American Story / Mark Holan.

A biography of the author's grandfather, which is a description of life and social conditions of Pittsburgh before World War II, and Catholic life in Ireland and the U.S. during the late 19th & early 20th century.

Your Fondest Annie: Letters from Annie O'Donnell to James P. Phelan, 1901-1904 /
Annie O'Donnell

Learn about the lives of Irish immigrant women through these letters from a woman who settled in Pittsburgh at the beginning of the 20th century.

The Latecomers / Helen Klein Ross

A novel in which an Irish immigrant woman settles in New England with a secret. Generations later, her dark history is discovered by her family.

My Father's Wake: how the Irish teach us to live, love and die / Kevin Toolis

A description of the Irish wake and an exploration of its history and ritual as not only a recognition of death, but also a celebration of life.

Monongahela Dusk / John Hoerr; illustrated by Bill Yund

A fictional account of a plot to kill a union leader in Pittsburgh. The plan is conceived by an industrialist who conspires with gangsters to control politics in a steel-mill town.

Steel : From Mine to Mill, the Metal that Made America / Brooke C. Stoddard

A history of steel from its impact on early industrialization to its current use.

Pittsburgh's Immigrants / Lisa A. Alzo

Read about the European immigrants that settled in Pittsburgh and the industries they were employed in, as well as the different ethnic neighborhoods that comprised the city.

Pittsburgh Irish: Erin on the Three Rivers / Gerard F. O'Neil

Descriptions and photographs about Irish immigrants in Pittsburgh and their roles from the city's founding to the 20th century.

The Father Effect: Hope and Healing From A Dad's Absence / John Finch with Blake Atwood

Healing narrative for anyone who knows what it is like to lose a father, no matter what the reason.