

Mid-Manhattan Library
presents

Mixed Bag PM

Story Time for Grown-Ups

Love a good story?
Sit back and relax as we read you a story or two.

January 2013 — Edith
Wharton

New York Stories

January 15

Mrs. Manstey's View
Roman Fever

January 29

The Rembrandt
The Verdict

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NIGHT TIME

January 15

Mrs. Manstey's View

An elderly widow in failing health, Mrs. Manstey spends her days looking out the back window of her third-floor room, enjoying the view of her neighbors' back yards. When she learns a new building project will destroy her view, she is devastated.

Roman Fever

Two middle-aged ladies on holiday in Rome spend the afternoon reminiscing about their first visit to Rome twenty-five years ago. Their conversation unexpectedly reveals long-held secrets from that visit.

January 29

The Rembrandt

Only dire need could make Mrs. Fontage part with the (unsigned) painting by Rembrandt that she and her late husband acquired fifty years ago on their honeymoon in Europe. Unfortunately she sees it through the eyes of love and memory, not with the artistic knowledge of a museum curator.

The Verdict

Jack Gisburn suddenly gave up his successful artistic career and married a rich widow. When asked why, he recounts the criticism he received from a painter he greatly admired. The strange part is that the painter was dead at the time.

All readings will take place

7:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. 1st floor Corner Room



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