Bayou Bend/Rienzi Book Club
2023–24 Calendar

Discussions are held bimonthly on a Wednesday. Choose either a 1:30 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. meeting. November, March, and July afternoon meetings and all evening meetings are virtual only. Afternoon meetings in September, January, and May are hybrid; attend in person or on Zoom. Register by emailing historyreading@mfah.org or calling 713-639-7759. For more details, go to mfah.org/visit/rienzi/rienzi-and-bayou-bend-book-club. Zoom links are at mfah.org/calendar.

September 13, 2023, hosted by Bayou Bend
1:30–2:30 p.m. (hybrid);
7:00–8:00 p.m. (virtual)
97 Orchard: An Edible History of Five Immigrant Families in One New York Tenement
by Jane Ziegelman

November 8, 2023, hosted by Rienzi
1:30–2:30 p.m. (virtual);
7:00–8:00 p.m. (virtual)
The Last Emperor of Mexico: The Dramatic Story of the Habsburg Archduke Who Created a Kingdom in the New World
by Edward Shawcross

January 10, 2024, hosted by Bayou Bend
1:30–2:30 p.m. (hybrid);
7:00–8:00 p.m. (virtual)
South to Freedom: Runaway Slaves to Mexico and the Road to the Civil War
by Alice L. Baumgartner

March 13, 2024, hosted by Rienzi
1:30–2:30 p.m. (virtual);
7:00–8:00 p.m. (virtual)
The Great Fire of London: In That Apocalyptic Year, 1666
by Neil Hanson

May 8, 2024, hosted by Bayou Bend
1:30–2:30 p.m. (hybrid);
7:00–8:00 p.m. (virtual)
American Eclipse: A Nation’s Epic Race to Catch the Shadow of the Moon and Win the Glory of the World
by David Baron

July 10, 2024, hosted by Rienzi
1:30–2:30 p.m. (virtual);
7:00–8:00 p.m. (virtual)
Before Mrs Beeton: Elizabeth Raffald, England’s Most Influential Housekeeper
by Neil Buttery

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