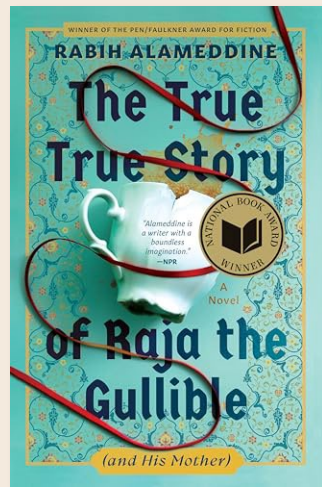


## 2026 Book Club Series

Join your neighbors for a book discussion on ***The True True Story of Raja the Gullible (and His Mother)*** by Rabih Alameddine. Winner of 2025 National Book Award for fiction, this dark comedic novel recounts six decades in the life of a Lebanese family. Manalapan Resident Dr. Liz Brown will lead the conversation.



Date: **Wednesday, March 18, 2026**

Time: **4 PM**

Where: **J. Turner Moore Memorial Library | 1330 Lands End Road, Manalapan FL**

Sneak Peak: From Goodreads: “In a tiny Beirut apartment, sixty-three-year-old Raja and his mother live side by side. A beloved high school philosophy teacher and “the neighborhood homosexual,” Raja relishes books, meditative walks, order, and solitude. Zalfa, his octogenarian mother, views her son’s desire for privacy as a personal affront. She demands to know every detail of Raja’s work life and love life, boundaries be damned.”

RSVP: Erika Petersen | [epetersen@manalapan.org](mailto:epetersen@manalapan.org) or 561-383-2541, **by March 12, 2026**

*Meet Me at the Library!*