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Jaquira Díaz

Ordinary Girls: A Memoir

Wednesday, February 19 11:30 a.m. Germantown, BE 151/152

Light refreshments will be served.

Jaquira Díaz was born in Puerto Rico and raised in Miami. She is the author of *Ordinary Girls: A Memoir*, a Summer/Fall 2019 Indies Introduce Selection, a Fall 2019 Barnes & Noble Discover Great New Writers Selection, a November 2019 Indie Next Pick, and a Library Reads October pick.

Ordinary Girls is a fierce, beautiful, and unflinching memoir from a wildly talented debut author. While growing up in housing projects in Puerto Rico and Miami Beach, Jaquira Díaz found herself caught between extremes: as her family split apart and her mother battled schizophrenia, she was surrounded by the love of her friends; as she longed for a family and home, she found instead a life upended by violence.

