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The Daily Charles Dickens

A Year of Quotes

Edited and with a Foreword by James R. Kincaid

A charming memento of the Victorian era’s literary colossus, The Daily Charles Dickens is an almanac for the ages. Tenderly and irreverently anthologized by Dickens scholar James R. Kincaid, this collection mines the British author’s beloved novels and Christmas stories as well as his lesser-known sketches and letters for “an around-the-calendar set of jolts, soothings, blandishments, and soarings.”

A bedside companion to dip into year round, this book introduces each month with a longer seasonal quote, while concise bits of wisdom and whimsy mark each day. Hopping from Esther Summerson’s abandonment by her mother in Bleak House to a meditation on the difficult posture of letter-writing in The Pickwick Papers, this anthology displays the wide range of Dickens’s stylistic virtuosity—his humor and his deep tragic sense, his ear for repetition, and his genius at all sorts of voices. Even the devotee will find between these pages a mix of old friends and strangers—from Oliver Twist and Ebenezer Scrooge to the likes of Lord Coodle, Sir Thomas Doodle, Mrs. Todgers, and Edwin Drood—as well as a delightful assortment of some of the novelist’s most famous, peculiar, witty, and incisive passages, tailored to fit the season. To give one particularly apt example: David Copperfield blunders, in a letter of apology to Agnes Wickfield, “I began one note, in a six-syllable line, ‘Oh, do not remember’—but that associated itself with the fifth of November, and became an absurdity.”

Never Pecksniffian or Gradgrindish, this daily dose of Dickens crystallizes the novelist’s agile humor and his reformist zeal alike. This is a book to accompany you through the best of times and the worst of times.

Charles Dickens is regarded by many as the greatest novelist of the Victorian era. His novels were among the first serialized fictional narratives and enjoyed great success among the masses at the time, with strong critical reception continuing to this day. James R. Kincaid is the Aerol Arnold Professor Emeritus of English at the University of Southern California. He is the author of six scholarly books and ten works of fiction.
“A well-written, accessible, evocative, and educational daily reader. I found myself getting into a rhythm, paying close attention to what a particular date’s entry was going to teach me, where it might even take me emotionally. Crump has also managed a subtle narrative arc over the whole collection, enhanced by the wonderfully quirky illustrations. A Year with Nature is a fine, inspiring volume, one that could end up on many an end table, office desk, or daily tote bag.”

—Harry W. Greene, author of *Tracks and Shadows: Field Biology as Art*

**A Year with Nature**

An Almanac

*With Illustrations by Bronwyn McIvor*

*A Year with Nature* is an almanac like none you’ve ever seen: combining science and aesthetics, it is a daily affirmation of the extraordinary richness of biodiversity and our enduring beguilement by its beauty. With a text by herpetologist and natural history writer Marty Crump and a cornucopia of original illustrations by Bronwyn McIvor, this quirky quotidian reverie gazes across the globe, media, and time as it celebrates date-appropriate natural topics ranging from the founding of the National Park Service to annual strawberry, garlic, shrimp, hummingbird, and black bear festivals.

With Crump, we mark the publication of classics like Carson’s *Silent Spring* and White’s *Charlotte’s Web*, and even the musical premiere of Tchaikovsky’s *Swan Lake*. We note the discovery of the structure of DNA and the mountain gorilla, the rise of citizen science projects, and the work of people who’ve shaped how we view and protect nature—from Aristotle to E. O. Wilson. Some days feature US celebrations, like National Cat Day; others highlight country-specific celebrations, like Australia’s Wombat Day and Thailand’s Monkey Buffet Festival, during which thousands of macaques feast on an ornately arranged spread of fruits and vegetables. Crump also highlights celebrations that span borders, from World Wildlife Conservation Day to International Mountain Day and global festivities for snakes, sea turtles, and chocolate. Interweaving fascinating facts on everything from jellyfish bodies to monthly birth flowers with folkloric entries featuring the Loch Ness Monster and unicorns, the almanac is as exhaustive as it is enchanting.

*A Year with Nature* celebrates the wonder of our natural world as we have expressed it in visual arts, music, literature, science, and everyday experience. But more than this, the almanac’s vignettes encourage us to contemplate how we can help ensure that future generations will be able to enjoy the landscapes and rich biodiversity we so deeply cherish.

*Marty Crump* is adjunct professor of biology at Utah State and Northern Arizona Universities. She is the author, most recently, of *Eye of Newt and Toe of Frog, Adder’s Fork and Lizard’s Leg: The Lore and Mythology of Amphibians and Reptiles*, also published by the University of Chicago Press. She lives in Logan, UT.
Sex on the Kitchen Table

The Romance of Plants and Your Food

At the tips of our forks and on our dinner plates, a buffet of botanical dalliance awaits us. Sex and food are intimately intertwined, and this relationship is nowhere more evident than among the plants that sustain us. From lascivious legumes to horny hot peppers, most of humanity’s calories and other nutrition come from seeds and fruits—the products of sex—or from flowers, the organs that make plant sex possible. Sex has also played an arm’s-length role in delivering plant food to our stomachs, as human matchmaking (plant breeding, or artificial selection) has turned wild species into domesticated staples.

In *Sex on the Kitchen Table*, Norman C. Ellstrand takes us on a vegetable-laced tour of this entire sexual adventure. Starting with the love apple (otherwise known as the tomato) as a platform for understanding the kaleidoscopic ways that plants can engage in sex, successive chapters explore the sex lives of a range of food crops, including bananas, avocados, and beets, finally ending with genetically engineered squash—a controversial, virus-resistant vegetable created by a process that involves the most ancient form of sex. Peppered throughout are original illustrations and delicious recipes, from sweet and savory tomato pudding to banana puffed pancakes, avocado toast (of course), and both transgenic and non-GMO tacos.

An eye-opening medley of serious science, culinary delights, and humor, *Sex on the Kitchen Table* offers new insight into fornicating flowers, salacious squash, and what we owe to them. So as we sit down to dine and ready for that first bite, let us say a special grace for our vegetal vittles: let’s thank sex for getting them to our kitchen table.

Norman C. Ellstrand is distinguished professor of genetics at the University of California, Riverside, where he holds the Jane S. Johnson Endowed Chair in Food and Agriculture. He is the author of *Dangerous Liaisons?: When Cultivated Plants Mate with Their Wild Relatives*. 

“In a funny way, Ellstrand’s book could be called the ‘secret sex life of crop plants,’ because relatively few people know the ins and outs of avocados, bananas, beets, corn, or squash. *Sex on the Kitchen Table* will help readers understand how crop plants reproduce and why that is so significant when it comes to solving problems in agriculture. I haven’t read anything quite like this before. Edifying and entertaining.”

—Raoul W. Adamchak, coauthor of *Tomorrow’s Table: Organic Farming, Genetics, and the Future of Food*
A History from the Fire to Now

Art in Chicago
Edited by MAGGIE TAFT and ROBERT COZZOLINO

For decades now, the story of art in America has been dominated by New York. It gets the majority of attention, the stories of its schools and movements and masterpieces the stuff of pop culture legend. Chicago, on the other hand . . . well, people here just get on with the work of making art.

Now that art is getting its due. *Art in Chicago* is a magisterial account of the long history of Chicago art, from the rupture of the Great Fire in 1871 to the present. The first single-volume history of art and artists in Chicago, the book—in recognition of the complexity of the story it tells—doesn’t follow a single continuous trajectory. Rather, it presents an overlapping sequence of interrelated narratives that together tell a full and nuanced, yet wholly accessible history of visual art in the city. From the temptingly blank canvas left by the Fire, we loop back to the 1830s and on up through the 1860s, tracing the beginnings of the city’s institutional and professional art world and community. From there, we travel in chronological order through the decades to the present. Familiar developments such as the founding of the Art Institute, the Armory Show, and the arrival of the Bauhaus are given a fresh look, while less well-known aspects of the story, like the contributions of African American artists dating back to the 1860s or the long history of activist art, finally get suitable recognition. The six chapters, each written by an expert in the period, brilliantly mix narrative and image, weaving in oral histories from artists and critics.

Among the featured artists
- Gertrude Abercrombie
- Ivan Albright
- Harry Callahan
- Nick Cave
- Eldzier Cortor
- Manierre Dawson
- Theaster Gates
- Goat Island
- Leon Golub
- Barbara Jones-Hogu
- Judy Ledgerwood
- Kerry James Marshall
- László Moholy-Nagy
- Archibald Motley
- Hollis Sigler
- Nancy Spero
- Lorado Taft
- Chris Ware
- Anne Wilson
reflecting on their work in the city, and setting new movements and key works in historical context. The final chapter, comprised of interviews and conversations with contemporary artists, brings the story up to the present, offering a look at the vibrant art being created in the city now and addressing ongoing debates about what it means to identify as—or resist identifying as—a Chicago artist today. The result is an unprecedentedly inclusive and rich tapestry, one that reveals Chicago art in all its variety and vigor and one that will surprise and enlighten even the most dedicated fan of the city’s artistic heritage.

Part of the Terra Foundation for American Art’s year-long Art Design Chicago initiative, which will bring major arts events to venues throughout Chicago in 2018, *Art in Chicago* is a landmark publication, a book that will be the standard account of Chicago art for decades to come. No art fan, regardless of their city, will want to miss it.

Maggie Taft is an art historian and the founding director of the Haddon Avenue Writing Institute, a community-based writing center for teenage girls. Robert Cozzolino is the Patrick and Aimee Butler Curator of Paintings at the Minneapolis Institute of Art.
At the turn of the twentieth century, Swedish artist Hilma af Klint created a body of work that left visible reality behind, exploring the radical possibilities of abstraction years before Vasily Kandinsky, Kazimir Malevich, or Piet Mondrian. Many consider her the first trained artist to create abstract paintings. With *Hilma af Klint: Notes and Methods*, we get to experience the arc of af Klint’s artistic investigation in her own words.

Hilma af Klint studied at the Royal Swedish Academy in Stockholm, where she was part of the first generation of female students. Up until the beginning of the century, she painted mainly landscapes and detailed botanical studies. Her work from this period was that of a young artist of her time who meticulously observed the world around her. But, like many of her contemporaries, af Klint was also interested in the invisible relationships that shape our world, believing strongly in a spiritual dimension. She joined the Theosophical Society, and, with four fellow female members who together called themselves “The Five,” began to study mediumship. Between 1906 and 1915, purportedly guided by a higher power, af Klint created 193 individual works that, in both scale and scope of imagery, are like no other art created at that time. Botanically inspired images and mystical symbols, diagrams, words, and geometric series, all form part of af Klint’s abstract language. These abstract techniques would not be seen again until years later.

*Notes and Methods* presents facsimile reproductions of a wide array of af Klint’s early notebooks accompanied by the first English translation of af Klint’s extensive writings. It contains the rarely seen “Blue Notebooks,” hand-painted and annotated catalogues af Klint created of her most famous series “Paintings for the Temple,” and a dictionary compiled by af Klint of the words and letters found in her work. An introduction by Iris Müller-Westermann illuminates this unique and important contribution to the legacy of Hilma af Klint.

**Hilma af Klint** (1862–1944) was a Swedish painter. While her naturalistic landscapes were shown during her lifetime, her abstract paintings were not exhibited until 1986, more than forty years after she died.
Bitten by the Blues
The Alligator Records Story

It started with the searing sound of a slide careening up the neck of an electric guitar. In 1970, twenty-three-year-old Bruce Iglauer walked into Florence’s Lounge, in the heart of Chicago’s South Side, and was overwhelmed by the joyous, raw Chicago blues of Hound Dog Taylor and the HouseRockers. A year later, Iglauer produced Hound Dog’s debut album in eight hours and pressed a thousand copies, the most he could afford. From that one album grew Alligator Records, the largest independent blues record label in the world.

Bitten by the Blues is Iglauer’s memoir of a life immersed in the blues—and the business of the blues. No one person was present at the creation of more great contemporary blues music than Iglauer: he produced albums by Koko Taylor, Albert Collins, Professor Longhair, Johnny Winter, Lonnie Mack, Son Seals, Roy Buchanan, Shemekia Copeland, and many other major figures. In this book, Iglauer takes us behind the scenes, offering unforgettable stories of those charismatic musicians and classic sessions, delivering an intimate and unvarnished look at what it’s like to work with the greats of the blues. It’s a vivid portrait of some of the extraordinary musicians and larger-than-life personalities who brought America’s music to life in the clubs of Chicago’s South and West Sides. Bitten by the Blues is also an expansive history of half a century of blues in Chicago and around the world, tracing the blues recording business through massive transitions, as a genre of music originally created by and for black southerners adapted to an influx of white fans and musicians and found a worldwide audience.

Most of the smoky bars and packed clubs that fostered the Chicago blues scene have long since disappeared. But their soul lives on, and so does their sound. As real and audacious as the music that shaped it, Bitten by the Blues is a raucous journey through the world of Genuine Houserockin’ Music.

Bruce Iglauer is president and founder of Alligator Records, the largest contemporary blues label in the world. He is also a cofounder of Living Blues magazine and a founder of the Chicago Blues Festival. Patrick A. Roberts is associate professor in the College of Education at Northern Illinois University. He is coauthor of Give ’Em Soul, Richard! Race, Radio, and Rhythm and Blues in Chicago.
Despite its rough-and-tumble image, Chicago has long been identified as a city where books take center stage. A volume by A. J. Liebling gave the Second City its nickname. Upton Sinclair’s *The Jungle* arose from the midwestern capital’s most infamous industry. The great Chicago Fire led to the founding of the Chicago Public Library. The city has fostered writers such as Nelson Algren, Saul Bellow, and Gwendolyn Brooks. Chicago’s literary magazines *The Little Review* and *Poetry* introduced the world to Eliot, Hemingway, Joyce, and Pound. With this beautifully produced collection, Chicago’s rich literary tradition finally gets its due.

*Chicago by the Book* profiles 101 landmark publications about Chicago from the past 170 years that have helped define the city and its image. Each title is the focus of an illustrated essay by a leading scholar, writer, or bibliophile. Arranged chronologically to show the history of both the city and its books, the essays can be read in order from Mrs. John H. Kinzie’s 1844 *Narrative of the Massacre of Chicago* to Sara Paretsky’s 2015 crime novel *Brush Back*. Or one can dip in and out, savoring reflections on the arts, sports, crime, race relations, urban planning, politics, and even Mrs. O’Leary’s legendary cow. The selections do not shy from the underside of the city, recognizing that its grit and graft have as much a place in the written imagination as soaring odes and boosterism. As Neil Harris observes in his introduction, “Even when Chicagoans celebrate their hearth and home, they do so while acknowledging deep-seated flaws.” At the same time, this collection heartily reminds us all of what makes Chicago, as Norman Mailer called it, the “great American city.”

Since its founding in 1895, the Caxton Club has sought to support the appreciation of the book arts—especially in the Midwest—through its programs and publications.
Hearing Beethoven
A Story of Musical Loss and Discovery

We’re all familiar with the image of a fierce and scowling Beethoven, struggling doggedly to overcome his rapidly progressing deafness. That Beethoven continued to play and compose for more than a decade after he lost his hearing is often seen as an act of superhuman heroism. But the truth is that Beethoven’s response to his deafness was entirely human. And by demystifying what he did, we can learn a great deal about Beethoven’s music.

Perhaps no one is better positioned to help us do so than Robin Wallace, who not only has dedicated his life to the music of Beethoven but also has close personal experience with deafness. One day, at the age of forty-four, Wallace’s late wife, Barbara, found she couldn’t hear out of her right ear—the result of radiation administered to treat a brain tumor early in life. Three years later, she lost hearing in her left ear as well. Over the eight and a half years that remained of her life, despite receiving a cochlear implant, Barbara didn’t overcome her deafness or ever function again like a hearing person. Wallace shows here that Beethoven didn’t do those things, either. Rather than heroically overcoming his deafness, as we’re commonly led to believe, Beethoven accomplished something even more difficult and challenging: he adapted to his hearing loss and changed the way he interacted with music, revealing important aspects of its very nature in the process. Creating music became for Beethoven a visual and physical process, emanating from visual cues and from instruments that moved and vibrated. His deafness may have slowed him down, but it also led to works of unsurpassed profundity.

Wallace tells the story of Beethoven’s creative life from the inside out, interweaving it with his and Barbara’s experience to reveal aspects that only living with deafness could open up. The resulting insights make Beethoven and his music more accessible, and help us see how a disability can enhance human wholeness and flourishing.

Robin Wallace is professor of musicology at Baylor University. He is the author of Beethoven’s Critics and Take Note: An Introduction to Music through Active Listening.
“A sobering and urgent report from the leading expert on how American history is taught in the nation’s schools. Wineburg offers a set of timely and elegant essays on everything from the nuttiness of standardized testing regimes to the problems kids have, in the age of the internet, in knowing what’s true, and what’s not—problems that teachers have, too, along with everyone else. A bracing, edifying, and vital book.”

—Jill Lepore

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CURRENT EVENTS EDUCATION

Let’s start with two truths about our era that are so inescapable as to have become clichés: We are surrounded by more readily available information than ever before. And a huge percentage of it is inaccurate. Some of the bad info is well-meaning but ignorant. Some of it is deliberately deceptive. All of it is pernicious.

With the internet always at our fingertips, what’s a teacher of history to do? Sam Wineburg has answers, beginning with this: We definitely can’t stick to the same old read-the-chapter-answer-the-questions-at-the-back snoozefest we’ve subjected students to for decades. If we want to educate citizens who can sift through the mass of information around them and separate fact from fake, we have to explicitly work to give them the necessary critical thinking tools. Historical thinking, Wineburg shows us in Why Learn History (When It’s Already on Your Phone), has nothing to do with test prep–style ability to memorize facts. Instead, it’s an orientation to the world that we can cultivate, one that encourages reasoned skepticism, discourages haste, and counters our tendency to confirm our biases. Wineburg draws on surprising discoveries from an array of research and experiments—including surveys of students, recent attempts to update history curricula, and analyses of how historians, students, and even fact checkers approach online sources—to paint a picture of a dangerously mine-filled landscape, but one that, with care, attention, and awareness, we can all learn to navigate.

It’s easy to look around at the public consequences of historical ignorance and despair. Wineburg is here to tell us it doesn’t have to be that way. The future of the past may rest on our screens. But its fate rests in our hands.

Sam Wineburg is the Margaret Jacks Professor of Education and History at Stanford University and the author of Historical Thinking and Other Unnatural Acts.
Ghosts in the Schoolyard
Racism and School Closings on Chicago’s South Side

“That’s how Eve L. Ewing opens Ghosts in the Schoolyard: describing Chicago Public Schools from the outside. The way politicians and pundits and parents of kids who attend other schools talk about them, with a mix of pity and contempt.

But Ewing knows Chicago Public Schools from the inside: as a student, then a teacher, and now a scholar who studies them. And that perspective has shown her that public schools are not buildings full of failures—they’re an integral part of their neighborhoods, at the heart of their communities, storehouses of history and memory that bring people together.

Never was that role more apparent than in 2013 when Mayor Rahm Emanuel announced an unprecedented wave of school closings. Pitched simultaneously as a solution to a budget problem, a response to declining enrollments, and a chance to purge bad schools, the plan was met with protest from parents, students, and teachers. But if these schools were so bad, why did people care so much about keeping them open, to the point that some would even go on a hunger strike?

Ewing’s answer begins with a story of systemic racism, inequality, bad faith, and distrust that stretches deep into Chicago history. Rooting her exploration in the historic African American neighborhood of Bronzeville, Ewing reveals that this issue is about much more than just schools. Black communities see the closing of their schools—schools that are certainly less than perfect but that are theirs—as one more in a long line of racist policies. The fight to keep them open is yet another front in the ongoing struggle of black people in America to build successful lives and achieve true self-determination.

Eve L. Ewing is assistant professor at the University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration. She is the author of Electric Arches, and her work has appeared in the New York Times, New Yorker, Atlantic, Washington Post, and many other venues. She was born in Chicago, where she still lives.
“With the skills of a novelist, Shulman moves effortlessly in time and thought, shifting from vivid thumbnail sketches of individual people to beautifully rendered depictions of the stark landscape to relentless self-interrogation. The combined immediacy and deep reflectiveness of Shulman’s dispatches make Freedom and Despair a book that will appeal not only to students of the Middle East, but also readers in moral philosophy, critical inquiry, education, and the long line of literature of civil disobedience. And for all Americans in the new Trump era who are asking themselves, ‘What can I do and how do I deal with my despair?’—Freedom and Despair is essential.”

—Gabriel Levin, author of The Maltese Dreambook

David Shulman is professor emeritus at the Hebrew University. He is a long-time activist in Ta’ayush, an Israeli peace group working in the occupied Palestinian territories. He is the author of Tamil, More Than Real, and Dark Hope, the last published by the University of Chicago Press.
Praised in recent years as a “calculating, improvisatory, essential poet” by Daisy Fried in the *New York Times*, and as “the foremost poet-critic of our time” by Craig Dworkin, Charles Bernstein is a leading voice in American poetry. *Near/Miss*, Bernstein’s first poetry collection in five years, is the apotheosis of his late style, thick with off-center rhythms, hilarious riffs, and verbal extravagance.

This collection’s title highlights poetry’s ability to graze reality without killing it, and at the same time implies that the poems themselves are wounded by the grief of loss. The book opens with a rollicking satire of difficult poetry—proudly declaring itself “a totally inaccessible poem”—and moves on to the stuff of contrarian pop culture and political cynicism—full of malaprops, mondegreens, nonsequiturs, translations of translations, sardonically vandalized signs, and a hilarious yet sinister feed of blog comments. At the same time, political protest also rubs up against epic collage, through poems exploring the unexpected intimacies and continuities of “our united fates.” These poems engage with works by contemporary painters—including Amy Sillman, Rackstraw Downes, and Etel Adnan—and echo translations of poets ranging from Catullus and Virgil to Goethe, Cruz e Souza, and Kandinsky.

Grounded in a politics of multiplicity and dissent, and replete with both sharp edges and subtle intimacies, *Near/Miss* is full of close encounters of every kind.

*Charles Bernstein* is the Donald T. Regan Professor of English and Comparative Literature at the University of Pennsylvania, where he is codirector of PennSound. He is the author of *Pitch of Poetry* and *Recalculating*, also published by the University of Chicago Press.

Praise for *Recalculating*

“Obsessive, brilliant . . . . Bernstein measures and dreams a circle: a community of readers and writers who spin within a world built from the living history of words.”

—Susan Stewart

“For all his earnestness of purpose, there has often been a Groucho as well as a Karl Marx element to Bernstein's poetics, a belief that humor is as likely to open the doors of perception as polemic.”

—*Times Literary Supplement*

“One of the most fascinating books of the year.”

—*The Rumpus*
An awareness and appreciation for urban wildlife is an important part of world conservation efforts. Van Horn writes eloquently and with insight about the creatures that live among us—and, perhaps, why we should help them flourish. Highly recommended."

—Jeff VanderMeer, author of the Southern Reach Trilogy

A hiking trail through majestic mountains. A raw, unpeopled wilderness stretching as far as the eye can see. These are the settings we associate with our most famous books about nature. But Gavin Van Horn isn’t most nature writers. He lives and works not in some perfectly remote cabin in the woods but in a city—a big city. And that city has offered him something even more valuable than solitude: a window onto the surprising attractiveness of cities to animals. What was once in his mind essentially a nature-free blank slate turns out to be a bustling place where millions of wild things roam. Our own paths are crisscrossed by the tracks and flyways of endangered black-crowned night herons, Cooper’s hawks, coyotes, and many others who thread their lives ably through our own.

With *The Way of Coyote*, Gavin Van Horn reveals the stupendous diversity of species that can flourish in urban landscapes like Chicago. That isn’t to say city living is without its challenges. Chicago has been altered dramatically over a relatively short timespan—its soils covered by concrete, its wetlands drained and refilled, its river diverted and made to flow in the opposite direction. The stories in *The Way of Coyote* occasionally lament lost abundance, but they also point toward incredible adaptability and resilience, such as that displayed by beavers plying the waters of human-constructed canals or peregrine falcons raising their young atop towering skyscrapers. Van Horn populates his stories with a remarkable range of urban wildlife and probes the philosophical and religious dimensions of what it means to coexist, drawing frequently from the wisdom of three unconventional guides—wildlife ecologist Aldo Leopold, Taoist philosopher Lao Tzu, and the North American trickster figure Coyote.

Part urban nature travelogue, part philosophical reflection on the role wildlife can play in waking us to a shared sense of place and fate, *The Way of Coyote* asks how we might best reconcile our own needs with the needs of other creatures in our shared urban habitats.

Gavin Van Horn is the director of cultures of conservation at the Center for Humans and Nature. He is coeditor of *City Creatures* and *Wildness* and writes and edits the City Creatures blog.
The Cow with Ear Tag #1389

Take a look at the packaging on a container of milk and you’re likely to see bucolic idylls of red barns, green pastures, and happy, well-treated cows. In truth, the distance from a living cow to a glass of milk is vast, and nearly impossible to grasp in a way that resonates with an average person ticking items off a grocery list. To translate this journey into tangible terms, Kathryn Gillespie had a brilliant idea: to follow the moments in the life cycles of individual animals like the cow with ear tag #1389.

In contrast to the widely known truths of commercial meat manufacture, the dairy industry enjoys a relatively benign reputation, with most consumers unaware of this kitchen staple’s backstory. The Cow with Ear Tag #1389 explores how the seemingly nonthreatening practice of raising animals for milk is just one link in a chain that affects livestock across the agricultural spectrum. Gillespie takes readers to farms, auction yards, slaughterhouses, and even rendering plants to show how living cows are transformed into food. The result is an empathetic look at cows and our relationship with them, one that makes both their lives and their suffering real—in particular, the fleeting encounter with the cow of the title, just one animal whose story galvanized Gillespie to write this book.

The myriad ways that the commercial meat industry causes harm are at the forefront of numerous discussions today. The Cow with Ear Tag #1389 adds a crucial piece to these conversations by asking us to consider the individual animals whose lives we may take for granted.

Kathryn Gillespie is a postdoctoral fellow in animal studies at Wesleyan University.

“The Cow with Ear Tag #1389 addresses a critical issue whose time for discussion has not only come but is in fact long overdue. Gillespie deftly excavates and narrates the singular moments of the dairy animals she encounters, and a very real story of the personalized cows emerges.”
—Yamini Narayanan, Deakin University
So begins Lawrence Lessig’s sweeping indictment of contemporary American institutions and the corruption that besets them. We can all see it—from the selling of Congress to special interests to the corporate capture of the academy. Something is wrong. It’s getting worse.

And it’s our fault. What Lessig shows, brilliantly and persuasively, is that we can’t blame the problems of contemporary American life on bad people, as our discourse all too often tends to do. Rather, he explains, “We have allowed core institutions of America’s economic, social, and political life to become corrupted. Not by evil souls, but by good souls. Not through crime, but through compromise.” Every one of us, every day, making the modest compromises that seem necessary to keep moving along, is contributing to the rot at the core of American civic life. Through case studies of Congress, finance, the academy, the media, and the law, Lessig shows how institutions are drawn away from higher purposes and toward money, power, quick rewards—the first steps to corruption.

Lessig knows that a charge so broad should not be levied lightly, and that our instinct will be to resist it. So he brings copious, damning detail gleaned from years of research, building a case that is all but incontrovertible: America is on the wrong path. If we don’t acknowledge our own part in that, and act now to change it, we will hand our children a less perfect union than we were given. It will be a long struggle. This book represents the first steps.

Lawrence Lessig is the Roy L. Furman Professor of Law and Leadership at Harvard Law School, an attorney, and an activist. He cofounded Creative Commons in 2001 and is the author of numerous books, including, most recently, Republic, Lost: Version 2.0.
The Politics of Petulance
America in an Age of Immaturity

How did we get into this mess?

Every morning, many Americans ask this as, with a cringe, they pick up their phones and look to see what terrible thing President Trump has just said or done. Regardless of what he’s complaining about or whom he’s attacking, a second question comes hard on the heels of the first: How on earth do we get out of this?

Alan Wolfe has an answer. In The Politics of Petulance he argues that the core of our problem isn’t Trump himself—it’s that we are mired in an age of political immaturity. That immaturity is not grounded in any one ideology, nor is it a function of age or education. It’s in an abdication of valuing the character of would-be leaders; it’s in a failure to acknowledge, even welcome, the complexity of government and society; and it’s in a loss of the ability to be skeptical without being suspicious. In 2016, many Americans were offered tantalizingly simple answers to complicated problems, and, like children being offered a lunch of Pop Rocks and Coke, they reflexively—and mindlessly—accepted.

The good news, such as it is, is that we’ve been here before. Wolfe reminds us that we know how to grow up and face down Trump and other demagogues. Wolfe reinvigorates the tradition of public engagement exemplified by midcentury intellectuals such as Richard Hofstadter, Reinhold Niebuhr, and Lionel Trilling—and he draws lessons from their battles with McCarthyism and conspiratorial paranoia. Wolfe mounts a powerful case that we can learn from them to forge a new path for political intervention today.

Wolfe has been thinking and writing about American life and politics for decades. He sees this moment as one of real risk. But he’s not throwing up his hands; he’s bracing us. We’ve faced demagogues before. We can find the intellectual maturity to fight back. Yes we can.
Democracies are in danger. Around the world, a rising wave of populist leaders threatens to erode the core structures of democratic self rule. In the United States, the election of Donald Trump marked a decisive turning point for many. What kind of president calls the news media the “enemy of the American people,” or sees a moral equivalence between violent neo-Nazi protesters in paramilitary formation and residents of a college town defending the racial and ethnic diversity of their homes? Yet we can be assured that the Constitution offers safeguards to protect against lasting damage—or can we?

*How to Save a Constitutional Democracy* mounts an urgent argument that we can no longer afford to be complacent. Tom Ginsburg and Aziz Z. Huq show how constitutional rules can either hinder or hasten the decline of democratic institutions. The checks and balances of the federal government, a robust civil society and media, and individual rights—such as those enshrined in the First Amendment—do not necessarily succeed as bulwarks against democratic decline. Rather, Ginsburg and Huq contend, the sobering reality for the United States is that, to a much greater extent than is commonly realized, the Constitution’s design makes democratic erosion more, not less, likely. Its structural rigidity has had the unforeseen consequence of empowering the Supreme Court to fill in some details—often with doctrines that ultimately facilitate rather than inhibit the infringement of rights. Even the bright spots in the Constitution—the First Amendment, for example—may have perverse consequences in the hands of a deft communicator, who can degrade the public sphere by wielding hateful language that would be banned in many other democracies. But we—and the rest of the world—can do better. The authors conclude by laying out practical steps for how laws and constitutional design can play a more positive role in managing the risk of democratic decline.

Tom Ginsburg is the Leo Spitz Professor of International Law and professor of political science at the University of Chicago. Aziz Z. Huq is the Frank and Bernice J. Greenberg Professor of Law at the University of Chicago.
“I was suddenly struck with the sight of a trail of rich red vegetation of several miles in the midst of the eternal snows. I approached with curiosity this oasis in the frozen desert.”

An antique-shop owner gets a glimpse of the Red Planet through an intriguing artifact. A Martian’s wife contemplates the possibility of life on Earth. A resident of Venus describes his travels across the two alien planets. From an arid desert to an advanced society far superior to that of Earth, portrayals of Mars have differed radically in their attempts to uncover the truth about our neighboring planet.

Since the 1880s, after an astronomer first described “channels” on the surface of Mars, writers have been fascinated with the planet, endlessly speculating on what life on Mars might look like and what might happen should we make contact with the planet’s inhabitants. This wonderful collection offers ten wildly imaginative short stories from the golden age of science fiction by such classic science fiction writers as H. G. Wells, Ray Bradbury, and J. G. Ballard, as well as hard-to-find stories by unjustly forgotten writers from the genre.

Assembled and introduced by acclaimed anthologist Mike Ashley, these stories vividly evoke a time when notions of life on other planets—from vegetation and water to space invaders and utopian societies—were new and startling. As we continue to imagine landing people on Mars, these stories are well worth revisiting as gripping and vivid dispatches from futurists past.

Mike Ashley is a leading historian of science fiction magazines. He is the author of Out of this World: Science Fiction But Not as You Know It, and of the Edgar Award–winning The Mammoth Encyclopedia of Modern Crime Fiction. He has also served as an editor for numerous encyclopedia works of genre fiction.
Rave On
Global Adventures in Electronic Dance Music


Electronic dance music has been a vital force for more than three decades now, and has undergone transformation upon transformation as it has taken over the world. In this searching, lyrical account of dance music culture worldwide, Matthew Collin takes stock of its highest highs and lowest lows across its global trajectory. Through firsthand reportage and interviews with clubbers and DJs, Collin documents the itinerant musical form from its underground beginnings in New York, Chicago, and Detroit in the 1980s, to its explosions in Ibiza and Berlin, to today’s mainstream music scenes in new frontiers like Las Vegas, Shanghai, and Dubai. Collin shows how its dizzying array of genres—from house, techno, and garage to drum and bass, dubstep, and psytrance—have given voice to locally specific struggles. For so many people in so many different places, electronic dance music has been caught up in the search for free cultural space: forming the soundtrack to liberation for South African youth after Apartheid; inspiring a psychedelic party culture in Israel; offering fleeting escape from—and at times into—corporatization in China; and even undergirding a veritable “independent republic” in a politically contested slice of the former Soviet Union.

Full of admiration for the possibilities the music has opened up all over the world, Collin also unflinchingly probes where this utopianism has fallen short, whether the culture maintains its liberating possibilities today, and where it might go in the future.

Matthew Collin is a British journalist and the author of Altered State. He has served as an editor for i-D magazine and the TimeOut website, and as a foreign correspondent for the BBC and Al Jazeera, and his articles have appeared in the Guardian, the Observer, Mixmag, and the Wire, among others.
Beyond Weird
Why Everything You Thought You Knew about Quantum Physics Is Different

“Anyone who is not shocked by quantum theory has not understood it.”

Since Niels Bohr said this many years ago, quantum mechanics has only been getting more shocking. We now realize that it’s not really telling us that “weird” things happen out of sight, on the tiniest level, in the atomic world. Rather, we can now see that everything is quantum: our everyday world is simply what quantum becomes at the human scale. But if quantum mechanics is right, what seems obvious and right in our everyday world is built on foundations that don’t seem obvious or right—or even possible.

An exhilarating tour of the contemporary quantum landscape, Beyond Weird is a book about what quantum physics really means—and what it doesn’t. Science writer Philip Ball offers an up-to-date, accessible account of the quest to come to grips with the most fundamental theory of physical reality, and to explain how its counterintuitive principles underpin the world we experience. Over the past decade it has become clear that quantum physics is less a theory about particles and waves, uncertainty and fuzziness, than a theory about information and knowledge—about what can be known, and how we know it. Discoveries and experiments over the past few decades have called into question the meanings and limits of space and time, cause and effect, and, ultimately, of knowledge itself. The quantum world Ball shows us isn’t a different world. It is our world, and if anything deserves to be called “weird,” it’s us.

Philip Ball is a writer, author, and broadcaster, and was formerly an editor at Nature. His writing on scientific subjects has appeared in places ranging from New Scientist to the New York Times. He is the author of more than twenty books, including Invisible, Curiosity, and, most recently, The Water Kingdom: A Secret History of China, also published by the University of Chicago Press. He lives in London.
Think of a time when you’ve feigned courage to make a friend, feigned forgiveness to keep one, or feigned indifference to simply stay out of it. What does it mean for our intimacies to fail us when we need them most?

The poems of this collection explore such everyday dualities—how the human need for attachment is as much a source of pain as of vitality and how our longing for transcendence often leads to sinister complicities. The title poem tells the conflicted and devastating story of the poet’s friendship with the now-disgraced Bishop of Phoenix, Arizona, interweaving fragments of his parents’ funerals, which the bishop concelebrated, with memories of his childhood spiritual leanings and how they were disrupted by a pedophilic priest the bishop failed to protect him from.

Whether Michael Collier is writing about an airline disaster, Huey Newton’s trial, Thomas Jefferson’s bees, a piano in the woods, or his own fraught friendship with the disgraced Catholic bishop, his syntactic verve, scrupulously observed detail, and flawless ear bring the felt—and sometimes frightening—dimensions of the mundane to life. Throughout, this collection pursues a quiet but ferocious need to get to the bottom of things.

Michael Collier is director of the creative writing program at the University of Maryland and the author of seven collections of poetry, including An Individual History, a finalist for the Poet’s Prize, and The Lodge, a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award and the Los Angeles Times Book Prize.
Sonic Flux
Sound, Art, and Metaphysics
CHRISTOPH COX

From Edison’s invention of the phonograph through contemporary field recording and sound installation, artists have become attracted to those domains against which music has always defined itself: noise, silence, and environmental sound. Christoph Cox argues that these developments in the sonic arts are not only aesthetically but also philosophically significant, revealing sound to be a continuous material flow to which human expressions contribute but which precedes and exceeds those expressions. Cox shows how, over the course of the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, philosophers and sonic artists have explored this “sonic flux.”

Through the philosophical analysis of works by John Cage, Maryanne Amacher, Max Neuhaus, Christian Marclay, and many others, Sonic Flux contributes to the development of a materialist metaphysics and poses a challenge to the prevailing positions in cultural theory, proposing a realist and materialist aesthetics able to account not only for sonic art but also for artistic production in general.

Christoph Cox is professor of philosophy at Hampshire College and editor-at-large at Cabinet.

Aesthetics at Large
Volume 1: Art, Ethics, Politics
THIERRY DE DUVE

Immanuel Kant’s Critique of Judgment, Thierry de Duve argues in the first volume of Aesthetics at Large, is as relevant to the appreciation of art today as it was to the enjoyment of beautiful nature in 1790. Going against the grain of all aesthetic theories situated in the Hegelian tradition, this provocative thesis, which already guided de Duve’s groundbreaking book Kant After Duchamp, is here pursued in order to demonstrate that far from confining aesthetics to a stifling formalism isolated from all worldly concerns, Kant’s guidance urgently opens the understanding of art onto ethics and politics.

Central to de Duve’s rereading of the Critique of Judgment is Kant’s idea of sensus communis, ultimately interpreted as the mere yet necessary idea that human beings are capable of living in peace with one another. De Duve pushes Kant’s skepticism to its limits by submitting the idea of sensus communis to various tests leading to questions such as: Do artists speak on behalf of all of us? Is art the transcendental ground of democracy? Was Adorno right when he claimed that no poetry could be written after Auschwitz?

Loaded with de Duve’s trademark blend of wit and erudition and written without jargon, the book radically renews current approaches to some of the most burning issues raised by modern and contemporary art. It will be indispensable reading for anyone with a deep interest in art, art history, or philosophical aesthetics.

Thierry de Duve is the Evelyn Kranes Kossak Professor at Hunter College, City University of New York, and professor emeritus from the University of Lille 3. He is the author of numerous books, including Clement Greenberg Between the Lines and Sewn in the Sweatshops of Marx, both published by the University of Chicago Press.
Although we know him best as a visual artist and filmmaker, Andy Warhol was also a publisher. Distributing his own books and magazines, as well as contributing to those of others, Warhol found publishing to be one of his greatest pleasures, largely because of its cooperative and social nature.

Journeying from the 1950s, when Warhol was starting to make his way through the New York advertising world, through the height of his career in the 1960s, to the last years of his life in the 1980s, Andy Warhol, Publisher unearths fresh archival material that reveals Warhol’s publications as complex projects involving a tantalizing cast of collaborators, shifting technologies, and a wide array of fervent readers.

Lucy Mulroney shows that whether Warhol was creating children’s books, his infamous “boy book” for gay readers, writing works for established houses like Grove Press and Random House, helping found Interview magazine, or compiling a compendium of photography that he worked on to his death, he readily used the elements of publishing to further and disseminate his art. Warhol not only highlighted the impressive variety in our printed culture but also demonstrated how publishing can cement an artistic legacy.

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Talking Art
The Culture of Practice and the Practice of Culture in MFA Education
GARY ALAN FINE

The idea of a graduate art program likely conjures up images of young artists in lofty studios, learning advanced techniques and honing the physical practice of their creativity. In truth, however, today’s MFA culture is centered almost entirely around discussing art rather than actually making it.

In Talking Art, ethnographer Gary Alan Fine gives us an eye-opening look at the culture and practices of the contemporary university-based master’s level art program. Central to this culture is the act of the critique, an often harrowing process where artists in training must defend their work before classmates and instructors. Through analysis of the critique and other aspects of the curriculum, Fine reveals how art schools have changed the very conception of the artist: no longer a misunderstood loner toiling away in a garret, now an artist is closer to being an articulate tour guide through the maze of contemporary art rhetoric. More importantly, he tells us, MFA programs have shifted the goal of creating art away from beauty and toward theory. Contemporary visual art, Fine argues, is no longer a calling or a passion—it’s a discipline, with an academic culture that requires its practitioners to be verbally skilled in the presentation of their intentions. Talking Art offers a remarkable and disconcerting view into the crucial role that universities play in creating that culture.

Gary Alan Fine is the James E. Johnson Professor of Sociology at Northwestern University.

Learning from Madness
Brazilian Modernism and Global Contemporary Art
KAIRA M. CABAÑAS

Throughout the history of European modernism, philosophers and artists have been fascinated by madness. Something different happened in Brazil, however, with the “art of the insane” that flourished within the modernist movements there. From the 1920s to the 1960s, the direction and creation of art by the mentally ill was actively encouraged by prominent figures in both medicine and art criticism, which led to a much wider appreciation among the curators of major institutions of modern art in Brazil.

Kaira M. Cabañas shows that at the center of this advocacy stood such significant proponents as psychiatrists Osório César and Nise da Silveira, who championed treatments that included painting and drawing studios; and the art critic Mário Pedrosa, who penned Gestaltist theses on aesthetic response. Cabañas examines the lasting influence of this unique era of Brazilian modernism, and how the afterlife of this “outsider art” continues to raise important questions. How do we respect the experiences of the mad as their work is viewed through the lens of global art? Why is this art reappearing now that definitions of global contemporary art are being contested?

Learning from Madness offers an invigorating series of case studies that track the parallels between psychiatric patients’ work in Western Europe and its reception by influential artists there, to an analogous but altogether distinct situation in Brazil.

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During the 1960s and 1970s, the Russian conceptual artist Ilya Kabakov was a galvanizing figure in Moscow’s underground art community, ultimately gaining international prominence as the “leader” of a band of artists known as the Moscow Conceptual Circle. Throughout this time, he created texts that he would distribute among his friends, and by the late 1990s his written production amounted to hundreds of pages.

Devoted to themes that range from the “cosmism” of pre-Revolutionary Russian modernism to the philosophical implications of Moscow’s garbage, Kabakov’s handmade booklets were typed out on paper, then stapled or sewn together using rough butcher paper for their covers. Among these writings are faux Socialist Realist verses, art historical analyses, accompaniments to installation projects, and transcripts of dialogues between the artist and literary theorists, critics, journalists, and other artists.

This volume offers the first English translation of the most significant texts written by Kabakov. The writings have been expressly selected for this edition and there exists no equivalent work in any language.

Ilya Kabakov is a conceptual artist. He emigrated to the West in 1987, and since has created hundreds of installations. His work is found in MoMA, the Guggenheim, the Chinati Foundation, and the Cleveland Museum of Contemporary Art. Matthew Jesse Jackson is associate professor of art history and art at the University of Chicago.

The twentieth century was the most destructive in human history, but from its ruins was born a new architectural type: the cultural monument. After World War I, an international movement arose aimed at protecting architectural monuments, hoping not only to keep them safe from conflict, but also to establish them as worthy of protection from more quotidian forms of destruction. Growing out of the new diplomacy of the League of Nations, a group—which included architects, intellectuals, art historians, archaeologists, curators, and lawyers—first convened at the Athens Conference in 1931. During and after World War II, it became affiliated with the Allied Military Government, and was eventually absorbed by the UN as UNESCO. By the 1970s, the group began granting World Heritage status to a global register of monuments—from buildings to bridges, shrines to city centers, ruins to colossi.

Examining five key episodes in the history of this preservation effort Lucia Allais demonstrates how the group deployed the notion of culture to shape architectural sites, and how architecture in turn shaped the very idea of global culture. More than the story of an emergent canon, Designs of Destruction emphasizes how the technical project of ensuring various buildings’ longevity jolted preservation into establishing a transnational set of codes, values, and practices. Yet, despite international agreement on the need for preservation, Allais shows, the mere act of listing a place as culturally relevant paradoxically increases the chances it will be destroyed.

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Recipes and Everyday Knowledge
Medicine, Science, and the Household in Early Modern England
ELAINE LEONG

Early modern English men and women were fascinated by recipes. Across the country, people of all ranks enthusiastically collected, exchanged, and experimented with medical and cookery instructions. They sent recipes in letters, borrowed handwritten books of family recipes, and consulted popular printed medical and culinary books. *Recipes and Everyday Knowledge* is the first major study of knowledge production and transfer in early modern households. It places the production and circulation of recipes at the heart of “household science”—quotidian investigations of the natural world—and situates these practices in larger and current conversations in gender and cultural history, the history of the book and archives and the history of science, medicine, and technology.

Recipe trials were one of the main ways householders gained deeper understandings of sickness, health and the human body, and the natural and material worlds. Recipes were also social knowledge. Recipes and recipe books were exchanged among friends, viewed as family treasures, and passed down from generation to generation.

By recovering the knowledge activities of householders—masters, servants, husbands, and wives—this book enriches current narratives of early modern science by extending the parameters of natural inquiry.

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Greening the Alliance
The Diplomacy of NATO’s Science and Environmental Initiatives
SIMONE TURCHETTI

Following the launch of Sputnik, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization became a prominent sponsor of scientific research in its member countries, a role it retained until the end of the Cold War. As NATO marks sixty years since the establishment of its Science Committee, the main organizational force promoting its science programs, *Greening the Alliance* is the first book to chart NATO’s scientific patronage—and the motivations behind it—from the organization’s early days to the dawn of the twenty-first century.

Drawing on previously unseen documents from NATO’s own archives, Simone Turchetti reveals how its investments were rooted in the alliance’s defense and surveillance needs, needs that led it to establish a program prioritizing environmental studies. A long-overlooked and effective diplomacy exercise, NATO’s “greening” at one point constituted the organization’s chief conduit for negotiating problematic relations between allies. But while *Greening the Alliance* explores this surprising coevolution of environmental monitoring and surveillance, tales of science advisers issuing instructions to bomb oil spills with napalm or *Dr. Strangelove*-like experts eager to divert the path of hurricanes with atomic weapons make it clear: the coexistence of these forces has not always been harmonious.

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Hermann von Helmholtz was a towering figure of nineteenth-century scientific and intellectual life. Best known for his achievements in physiology and physics, he also contributed to other disciplines such as ophthalmology, psychology, mathematics, chemical thermodynamics, and meteorology. With Helmholtz: A Life in Science, David Cahan has written a definitive biography, one that brings to light the dynamic relationship between Helmholtz’s private life, his professional pursuits, and the larger world in which he lived.

Utilizing all of Helmholtz’s scientific and philosophical writings, as well as previously unknown letters, this book reveals the forces that drove his life—a passion to unite the sciences, vigilant attention to the sources and methods of knowledge, and a deep appreciation of the ways in which the arts and sciences could benefit each other. By placing the overall structure and development of his scientific work and philosophy within the greater context of nineteenth-century Germany, Helmholtz also serves as a cultural biography of the construction of the scientific community: its laboratories, institutes, journals, disciplinary organizations, and national and international meetings. Helmholtz’s life is a shining example of what can happen when the sciences and the humanities become interwoven in the life of one highly motivated, energetic, and gifted person.

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Critical Terms for Animal Studies

Edited by LORI GRUEN

Animal studies is a rapidly growing interdisciplinary field devoted to examining, understanding, and critically evaluating the complex relationships between humans and other animals. Scholarship in animal studies draws on a variety of methodologies to explore these multi-faceted relationships in order to help us understand the ways in which other animals figure in our lives and we in theirs.

Bringing together the work of a group of internationally distinguished scholars, the contribution in Critical Terms for Animal Studies offers distinct voices and diverse perspectives, exploring significant concepts and asking important questions. How do we take non-human animals seriously, not simply as metaphors for human endeavors, but as subjects themselves? What do we mean by anthropocentrism, captivity, empathy, sanctuary, and vulnerability, and what work do these and other critical terms do in animal studies?

Sure to become an indispensable reference for the field, Critical Terms for Animal Studies not only provides a framework for thinking about animals as subjects of their own experiences, but also serves as a touchstone to help us think differently about our conceptions of what it means to be human, and the impact human activities have on the more than human world.

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A Manual of the Mammalia

An Homage to Lawlor’s Handbook to the Orders and Families of Living Mammals

DOUGLAS A. KELT and JAMES L. PATTON

The taxonomy of recent mammals has lately undergone tremendous revision, but it has been almost four decades since the last update to Timothy E. Lawlor’s acclaimed identification guide Handbook to the Orders and Families of Living Mammals. Integrating the latest advances in research, Douglas A. Kelt and James L. Patton provide this long-overdue update in their new, wholly original work, A Manual of the Mammalia.

Complemented by global range maps, high-resolution photographs of skulls and mandibles by Bill Stone, and the outstanding artwork of Fiona Reid, this book provides an overview of biological attributes of each higher taxon while highlighting key and diagnostic characters needed to identify skulls and skins of all recent mammalian orders and most families. Kelt and Patton also place taxa in their currently understood supra-familial clades, and discuss present challenges in higher mammal taxonomy. Including a comprehensive review of mammalian anatomy to provide a foundation for understanding all characters employed throughout, A Manual of the Mammalia is both a user-friendly handbook for students learning to identify higher mammal taxa and a uniquely comprehensive, up-to-date reference for mammalogists and mammal-lovers from across the globe.

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Friending the Past
The Sense of History in the Digital Age

Can today’s society, increasingly captivated by a constant flow of information, share a sense of history? How did our media-making forebears balance the tension between the present and the absent, the individual and the collective, the static and the dynamic—and how do our current digital networks disrupt these same balances? Can our social media, with its fleeting nature, even be considered social at all?

In Friending the Past, Alan Liu proposes fresh answers to these innovative questions of connection. He explores how we can learn from the relationship between past societies whose media forms fostered a communal and self-aware sense of history—such as prehistorical oral societies with robust storytelling cultures, or the great print works of nineteenth-century historicism—and our own instantaneous present. He concludes with a surprising look at how the sense of history exemplified in today’s JavaScript timelines compares to the temporality found in Romantic poetry.

Interlaced among these inquiries, Liu shows how extensive “network archaeologies” can be constructed as novel ways of thinking about our affiliations with time and with each other. These conceptual architectures of period and age are also always media structures, scaffolded with the outlines of what we mean by history. Thinking about our own time, Liu wonders whether the digital, networked future can sustain a similar sense of history.

Alan Liu is distinguished professor in the Department of English at the University of California, Santa Barbara. His previous books include Wordsworth: The Sense of History, and two books published by the University of Chicago Press, The Laws of Cool: Knowledge Work and the Culture of Information and Local Transcendence: Essays on Postmodern Historicism and the Database.
Spinoza and the Cunning of Imagination
EUGENE GARVER

Spinoza’s Ethics, and its project of proving ethical truths through the geometric method, has attracted and challenged readers for more than three hundred years. In Spinoza and the Cunning of Imagination, Eugene Garver uses the imagination as a guiding thread to this work. Other readers have looked at the imagination to account for Spinoza’s understanding of politics and religion, but this is the first inquiry to see it as central to the Ethics as a whole—imagination as a quality to be cultivated, and not simply overcome.

Spinoza initially presents imagination as an inadequate and confused way of thinking, always inferior to ideas that adequately represent things as they are. It would seem to follow that one ought to purge the mind of imaginative ideas and replace them with rational ideas as soon as possible, but as Garver shows, the Ethics doesn’t allow for this ultimate ethical act until one has cultivated a powerful imagination. This is, for Garver, “the cunning of imagination.” The simple plot of progress becomes, because of the imagination, a complex journey full of reversals and discoveries. For Garver, the “cunning” of the imagination resides in our ability to use imagination to rise above it.

Eugene Garver is the Regents Professor of Philosophy Emeritus at Saint John’s University. Among his earlier books are Aristotle’s “Rhetoric,” An Art of Character, Confronting Aristotle’s Ethics: Ancient and Modern Morality, and Aristotle’s “Politics”: Living Well and Living Together, all published by the University of Chicago Press. He has also retired from triathlons after finishing first in his age group at the North American Ironman Championships.

Hegel’s Realm of Shadows
Logic as Metaphysics in The Science of Logic
ROBERT B. PIPPIN

Hegel frequently claimed that the heart of his entire system was a book widely regarded as among the most difficult in the history of philosophy, The Science of Logic.

This is the book that presents his metaphysics, an enterprise that he insists can only be properly understood as a “logic,” or a “science of pure thinking.” Since he also wrote that the proper object of any such logic is pure thinking itself, it has always been unclear in just what sense such a science could be a “metaphysics.”

Robert B. Pippin offers a bold, original interpretation of Hegel’s claim that only now, after Kant’s critical breakthrough in philosophy, can we understand how logic can be a metaphysics. Pippin addresses Hegel’s deep, constant reliance on Aristotle’s conception of metaphysics, the difference between Hegel’s project and modern rationalist metaphysics, and the links between the “logic as metaphysics” claim and modern developments in the philosophy of logic. Pippin goes on to explore many other facets of Hegel’s thought, including the significance for a philosophical logic of the self-conscious character of thought, the dynamism of reason in Kant and Hegel, life as a logical category, and what Hegel might mean by the unity of the idea of the true and the idea of the good in the “Absolute Idea.”

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Theory and Practice

Translated by David Wills

Theory and Practice is a series of nine lectures that Jacques Derrida delivered at the École Normale Supérieure in 1976 and 1977. The topic of “theory and practice” was associated above all with Marxist discourse and particularly the influential interpretation of Marx by Louis Althusser. Derrida's many questions to Althusser and other thinkers aim at unsettling the distinction between thinking and acting.

Derrida’s investigations set out from Marx’s “Theses on Feuerbach,” in particular the eleventh thesis, which has often been taken as a mantra for the “end of philosophy,” to be brought about by Marxist practice. Derrida argues, however, that Althusser has no such end in view and that his discourse remains resolutely philosophical, even as it promotes the theory/practice pair as primary values. This seminar also draws fascinating connections between Marxist thought and Heidegger and features Derrida’s signature reconsideration of the dichotomy between doing and thinking. This text, available for the first time in English, shows that Derrida was doing important work on Marx long before Specters of Marx. As with the other volumes in this series, it gives readers an unparalleled glimpse into Derrida’s thinking at its best—spontaneous, unpredictable, and groundbreaking.

Jacques Derrida (1930–2004) was director of studies at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, and professor of humanities at the University of California, Irvine. He is the author of many books published by the University of Chicago Press. David Wills is professor of French and comparative literature at Brown University.
Philosophy’s relation to the act of writing is John T. Lysaker’s main concern in *Philosophy, Writing, and the Character of Thought*. Whether in Plato, Montaigne, Nietzsche, Wittgenstein, or Derrida, philosophy has come in many forms, and those forms—the concrete shape philosophizing takes in writing—matter. Much more than mere adornment, the style in which a given philosopher writes is often of crucial importance to the point he or she is making, part and parcel of the philosophy itself.

Considering each of the ways in which writing influences philosophy, Lysaker explores genres like the aphorism, dialogue, and essay, as well as logical-rhetorical operations like the example, irony, and quotation. At the same time, he shows us the effects of these rhetorical devices through his own literary experimentation. In dialogue with such authors as Benjamin, Cavell, Emerson, and Lukács, he aims to revitalize philosophical writing, arguing that philosophy cannot fulfill its intellectual and cultural promise if it keeps to professional articles and academic prose. Instead, philosophy must embrace writing as an essential, creative activity, and deliberately reform how it approaches its subject matter, readership, and the evolving social practices of reading and reflection.

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Care and Cure

An Introduction to Philosophy of Medicine

**JACOB STEGENGA**

The philosophy of medicine has become a vibrant and complex intellectual landscape, and *Care and Cure* is the first extended attempt to map it. In pursuing the interdependent aims of caring and curing, medicine relies on concepts, theories, inferences, and policies that are often complicated and controversial. Bringing much-needed clarity to the interplay of these diverse problems, Jacob Stegenga describes the core philosophical controversies underlying medicine in this unrivaled introduction to the field.

The fourteen chapters in *Care and Cure* present and discuss conceptual, metaphysical, epistemological, and political questions that arise in medicine, buttressed with lively illustrative examples ranging from debates over the true nature of disease to the effectiveness of medical interventions and homeopathy. Poised to be the standard sourcebook for anyone seeking a comprehensive overview of the canonical concepts, current state, and cutting edge of this vital field, this concise introduction will be an indispensable resource for students and scholars of medicine and philosophy.

**Jacob Stegenga** is a university lecturer in the Department of History and Philosophy of Science at the University of Cambridge. He is the author of *Medical Nihilism*. 
Today, democracy is seen as the best or even the only legitimate form of government—hardly in need of defense. With this book, Delba Winthrop punctures this complacency and takes up the challenge of justifying democracy through Aristotle’s political science. In Aristotle’s time and in ours, democrats want inclusiveness; they want above all to include everyone as a part of a whole. But what makes a whole? This is a question for both politics and philosophy, and Winthrop shows that Aristotle pursues the answer in the Politics. She uncovers in his political science the insights philosophy brings to politics and, especially, the insights politics brings to philosophy. Through her appreciation of this dual purpose and skilled execution of her argument, Winthrop makes profound discoveries. Central to politics, she maintains, is the quality of assertiveness—the kind of speech that demands to be heard. Aristotle, she shows for the first time, carries assertive speech into philosophy, when human reason claims its due as a contribution to the universe. Political science gets the high role of teacher to ordinary folk in democracy and to the few who want to understand what sustains it.

This posthumous publication is more than an honor to Delba Winthrop’s memory. It is a gift to partisans of democracy, advocates of justice, and students of Aristotle.

Delba Winthrop (1945–2006) was a lecturer at the Harvard Extension School and director of the Program on Constitutional Government. With Harvey C. Mansfield, she is editor and translator of Alexis de Tocqueville’s Democracy in America, also published by the University of Chicago Press. Harvey C. Mansfield is the William R. Kenan Jr. Professor of Government at Harvard University and the author of several books, including Machiavelli’s Virtue.

Seeming and Being in Plato’s Rhetorical Theory

ROBIN REAMES

Our common understanding of language is that it represents the world. This view, however, has not always been widely accepted. In fact, it is a theory of language conceived by Plato that culminates in the Sophist. In that dialogue he introduced the idea of statements as being either true or false and argued that the distinction between falsity and truth rests on a deeper discrepancy between appearance and reality, or seeming and being.

Robin Reames promises to mark a shift in Plato scholarship with this book, arguing that an appropriate understanding of rhetorical theory in Plato’s dialogues can show us how he developed the rhetorical tools, as well as the technical vocabulary, needed to construct the very distinctions between seeming and being that separate true from false speech. By engaging with three key movements of twentieth- and twenty-first-century Plato scholarship—the rise and subsequent marginalization of orality and literary theory, Heidegger’s controversial critique of Platonist metaphysics, and the influence of literary or dramatic readings of the dialogues—Reames demonstrates how the development of Plato’s rhetorical theory across several of his dialogues (Gorgias, Phaedrus, Protagoras, Theaetetus, Cratylus, Republic, and Sophist) has been both neglected and misunderstood.

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Leo Strauss is known primarily for reviving classical political philosophy through careful analyses of works by ancient thinkers. As with his published writings, Strauss’s seminars devoted to specific philosophers were notoriously dense. In 1965, however, Strauss offered an introductory course on political philosophy at the University of Chicago. Using a conversational style, he sought to make political philosophy, as well as his own ideas and methods, understandable to those with little background on the subject.

Leo Strauss on Political Philosophy

Leo Strauss (1899–1973) was one of the preeminent political philosophers of the twentieth century. Catherine H. Zuckert is the Nancy R. Dreux Professor of Political Science Emerita at the University of Notre Dame and the author or coauthor of many books, including, most recently, *Machiavelli’s Politics.*
Reconstructing the National Bank Controversy
Politics and Law in the Early American Republic
ERIC LOMAZOFF

The Bank of the United States sparked several rounds of intense debate over the meaning of the Constitution’s Necessary and Proper Clause, which authorizes the federal government to make laws “necessary” for exercising its other powers. But our standard account of the national bank controversy is incomplete. The controversy was much more dynamic than a debate over a single constitutional provision and was shaped as much by politics as by law.

Eric Lomazoff offers a far more robust account of the constitutional politics of national banking between 1791 and 1832. During that time, three forces—changes within the Bank itself, growing tension over federal power within the Republican coalition, and the endurance of monetary turmoil beyond the War of 1812—drove the development of our first major debate over the scope of federal power at least as much as the formal dimensions of the Constitution or the absence of a shared legal definition for the word “necessary.” These three forces—sometimes alone, sometimes in combination—repeatedly reshaped the terms by which the Bank’s constitutionality was contested. Lomazoff documents how these three dimensions of the polity changed over time and traces the manner in which they periodically led federal officials to adjust their claims about the Bank’s constitutionality.

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Rivalry and Reform
Presidents, Social Movements, and the Transformation of American Politics
SIDNEY M. MILKIS and DANIEL J. TICHERON

Few relationships have proved more pivotal in changing the course of American politics than those between presidents and social movements. For all their differences, both presidents and social movements are driven by a desire to recast the political system, often pursuing rival agendas that set them on a collision course. During rare historical moments, however, presidents and social movements forged partnerships that recast American politics.

Rivalry and Reform explores the relationship between presidents and social movements throughout history and into the present day, revealing the patterns that emerge from the epic battles and uneasy partnerships that have profoundly shaped reform. Through a series of case studies, including Abraham Lincoln and abolitionism, Lyndon Johnson and the civil rights movement, and Ronald Reagan and the religious right, Sidney M. Milkis and Daniel J. Tichenor argue persuasively that major political change usually reflects neither a top-down nor bottom-up strategy but a crucial interplay between the two. Savvy leaders, the authors show, use social movements to support their policy goals. At the same time, the most successful social movements target the president as either a source of powerful support or the center of opposition.

The book concludes with a consideration of Barack Obama’s approach to contemporary social movements such as Black Lives Matter, United We Dream, and Marriage Equality.

“Lomazoff presents a far more nuanced account of the constitutional politics of national banking. He convincingly demonstrates that the constitutional foundations of banks shifted over time and that this shift reflected in large part the changing functions of the Bank of the United States. The combination of economic, political, and constitutional development is first-rate, and the results shed new light on an important constitutional controversy.”—Mark Graber, University of Maryland Law School

“Rivalry and Reform is that rare book that will be of interest to scholars of the presidency and APD but at the same time attract a broader reading public. Well written and original, it’s an important contribution to the field of presidential studies, one that will be widely read and discussed.”—Richard Ellis, Willamette University

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In 2016, when millions of Americans voted for Donald Trump, many believed his claims that personal wealth would free him from wealthy donors and allow him to “drain the swamp.” But then Trump appointed several billionaires and multimillionaires to high-level positions and pursued billionaire-friendly policies, such as cutting corporate income taxes. Why the change from his fiery campaign rhetoric and promises to the working class? This should not be surprising, argue Benjamin I. Page, Jason Seawright, and Matthew J. Lacombe: As the gap between the wealthiest and the rest of us has widened, the few who hold one billion dollars or more in net worth have begun to play a more and more active part in politics.

Page, Seawright, and Lacombe argue that while political contributions offer a window onto billionaires’ influence, they do not present a full picture of policy preferences and political actions. That is because on some of the most important issues, including taxation, immigration, and Social Security, billionaires have chosen to engage in “stealth politics.” They try hard to influence public policy, making large contributions to political parties and policy-focused causes, holding fundraisers, and bundling others’ contributions—all while rarely talking about public policy to the media. This means that their influence is not only unequal but also largely unaccountable to and unchallengeable by the American people. The book closes with remedies citizens can pursue if they wish to make wealthy Americans more politically accountable and notes the broader types of reforms needed to reinvigorate majoritarian democracy in the United States.
Across the Euro-Atlantic world, political leaders have been mobilizing their bases with nativism, racism, and xenophobia, along with paeans to “traditional values,” in brazen bids for electoral support. How do we understand this move to the mainstream of political policies and platforms that lurked only on the far fringes during most of the postwar era? Does it herald a novel wave of authoritarianism? Is liberal democracy itself in crisis?

In this volume, three distinguished scholars draw upon critical theory to address our current political predicament. Wendy Brown explains how “freedom” has become a rallying cry for manifestly un-emancipatory movements; Peter E. Gordon dismantles the idea that fascism is rooted in the susceptible psychology of individual citizens and reflects instead on the broader cultural and historical circumstances that lend it force; and Max Pensky brings together the unlikely pair of Tocqueville and Adorno to explore how democracies can buckle under internal pressure. These incisive essays do not seek to smooth over the irrationality of the contemporary world, and they do not offer the false comforts of an easy return to liberal democratic values. Rather, the three authors draw on their deep engagements with nineteenth- and twentieth-century thought to investigate the historical and political contradictions that have brought about this moment, offering fiery and urgent responses to the demands of the day.
“Creating Political Presence brings together leading scholars in the fields of democratic theory, political theory, political philosophy, and European Union studies to reflect on what it calls ‘the new politics of democratic representation.’ The arguments are original, nuanced, and convincing and push forward the debates in a major way. This book may well be the definitive statement of the ‘constructivist turn’ in political representation.”

—David Plotke, New School for Social Research

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POLITICAL SCIENCE

Creating Political Presence
The New Politics of Democratic Representation
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For at least two centuries, democratic representation has been at the center of debate. Should elected representatives express the views of the majority, or do they have the discretion to interpret their constituents’ interests? How can representatives balance the desires of their parties and their electors? What should be done to strengthen the representation of groups that have been excluded from the political system? Representative democracy itself remains frequently contested, regarded as incapable of reflecting the will of the masses, or inadequate for today’s global governance. Recently, however, this view of democratic representation has been under attack for its failure to capture the performative and constructive elements of the process of representation, and a new literature more attentive to these aspects of the relationship between representatives and the represented has arisen.

In Creating Political Presence, a diverse and international group of scholars explores the implications of such a turn. Two broad, overlapping perspectives emerge. In the first section, the contributions investigate how political representation relates to empowerment, either facilitating or interfering with the capacity of citizens to develop autonomous judgment in collective decision making. Contributions in the second section look at representation from the perspective of inclusion, focusing on how representative relationships and claims articulate the demands of those who are excluded or have no voice. The final section examines political representation from a more systemic perspective, exploring its broader environmental conditions and the way it acquires democratic legitimacy.

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Shaped by the State
Toward a New Political History of the Twentieth Century
Edited by BRENT CEBUL, LILY GEISMER, and MASON B. WILLIAMS

American political history has been built around narratives of crisis, in which what “counts” are the moments when seemingly stable political orders collapse and new ones rise from the ashes. But while crisis-centered frameworks can make sense of certain dimensions of political culture, partisan change, and governance, they also often steal attention from the production of categories like race, gender, and citizenship status that transcend the usual breakpoints in American history.

Brent Cebul, Lily Geismer, and Mason B. Williams have brought together first-rate scholars from a wide range of subfields who are making structures of state power—not moments of crisis or partisan realignment—integral to their analyses. All of the contributors see political history as defined less by elite subjects than by tensions between state and economy, state and society, and state and subject—tensions that reveal continuities as much as disjunctions. This broader definition incorporates analyses of the crosscurrents of power, race, and identity; the recent turns toward the history of capitalism and transnational history; and an evolving understanding of American political development that cuts across eras of seeming liberal, conservative, or neoliberal ascendance. The result is a rich revelation of what political history is today.

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In the 1940s and ’50s, Havana was a locus for American movie stars, with glamorous visitors including Errol Flynn, Bette Davis, Joan Crawford, and Marlon Brando. In fact, Hollywood was seemingly everywhere in pre-Castro Havana, with movie theaters three to a block in places, widely circulated silver screen fanzines, and terms like “cowboy” and “gangster” becoming part of Cuban vernacular speech. *Hollywood in Havana* takes this historical backdrop as the catalyst for a startling question: Did exposure to half a century of Hollywood pave the way for the Cuban Revolution of 1959?

Megan Feeney argues that American movies helped condition Cuban audiences to expect and even demand purer forms of Cuban democracy and national sovereignty after seeing freedom-fighting and rebellious values and behaviors on display in wartime dramas and film noirs. At the same time, influential Cuban intellectuals worked to translate cinematic ethics into revolutionary rhetoric—which, ironically, led to pointed critiques of the US presence in Cuba and which were eventually used to subvert American foreign policy. *Hollywood in Havana* adds to our evolving notions of how American cinema has been internalized and localized around the world, while also broadening our views of the ongoing history of US-Cuban interactions, both cultural and political.

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### Enchanted America

**How Intuition and Reason Divide Our Politics**

**J. ERIC OLIVER and THOMAS J. WOOD**

America is in civic chaos, its politics rife with conspiracy theories and false information. Nationalism and authoritarianism are on the rise, while scientists, universities, and news organizations are viewed with increasing mistrust. And then there is Donald Trump, a presidential candidate who won the support of millions despite having no moral or political convictions. What is going on?

The answer, according to J. Eric Oliver and Thomas J. Wood, can be found in the most important force shaping American politics today: human intuition. Much of what seems to be irrational in American politics arises from the growing divide in how its citizens make sense of the world. On one side are rationalists. They use science and reason to understand reality. On the other side are intuitionists. They rely on gut feelings and instincts as their guide to the world. They embrace conspiracy theories, disbelieve experts, and distrust the media. They are stridently nationalistic and deeply authoritarian in their outlook. And they are the most enthusiastic supporters of Donald Trump. The primary reason why Trump captured the presidency was that he spoke about politics in a way that resonated with how intuitionists perceive the world. This divide has also become a threat to the American way of life. A generation ago, intuitionists were dispersed across the political spectrum. Today, intuitionism is ideologically tilted toward the political right.

*Enchanted America* is a clarion call to rationalists of all political persuasions to speak to intuitionists in a way they understand. The values and principles that define American democracy are at stake.

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In November 1978, a group of Haitians sailed their small wooden vessel into the harbor of the US Naval Station at Guantánamo Bay. After replenishing their stores of food and water, they departed with the blessing of the base commander and continued toward the Florida Coast in search of asylum. Far from unusual, this voyage was one of many that unfolded across an open Caribbean seascape in which Guantánamo served as a waypoint in a larger odyssey of oceanic migration. By the early 1990s, these unimpeded sea routes gave way to a virtually impenetrable wall of Coast Guard cutters while Guantánamo itself transformed into the largest US-operated detention center in the world.

Islands of Sovereignty is the first book to examine the history of this new maritime border and how it emerged from decades of litigation struggles over the treatment of Haitian asylum seekers in the United States. Jeffrey S. Kahn explores how a series of skirmishes in the South Florida offices of the US immigration bureaucracy became something much more—a fight for the soul of immigration policing in the United States that would eventually remake the landscape on a global scale. Combining fieldwork with a wide array of historical sources, Kahn seamlessly weaves together anthropology and law in an ambitious account of liberal empire’s geographies of securitization. A novel historical ethnography of the modern legal imagination, Islands of Sovereignty offers new ways of thinking through border control in the United States and elsewhere and the political forms it continues to generate into the present.

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Leo Steinberg was one of the most original art historians of the twentieth century, known for taking interpretive risks that overturned reigning orthodoxies. He combined scholarly erudition with an eloquent prose that illuminated his subject and a credo that privileged the visual evidence of the image over the literature written about it. His writings, sometimes provocative and controversial, remain vital reading.

For half a century, Steinberg delved into Michelangelo’s work, revealing the symbolic structures underlying the artist’s highly charged idiom. This volume of essays and unpublished lectures elucidates many of Michelangelo’s paintings, from frescoes in the Sistine Chapel to the Conversion of St. Paul and the Crucifixion of St. Peter, the artist’s lesser-known works in the Vatican’s Pauline Chapel; also included is a study of the relationship of the Doni Madonna to Leonardo.

Steinberg’s perceptions evolved from long, hard looking. Almost everything he wrote included passages of old-fashioned formal analysis, but always put into the service of interpretation. He understood that Michelangelo’s rendering of figures, as well as their gestures and interrelations, conveys an emblematic significance masquerading under the guise of naturalism. Michelangelo pushed Renaissance naturalism into the furthest reaches of metaphor, using the language of the body to express fundamental Christian tenets once expressible only by poets and preachers.

Michelangelo’s Paintings is the second volume in a series that presents Steinberg’s writings, selected and edited by his longtime associate Sheila Schwartz.

Leo Steinberg was born in Moscow and raised in Berlin and London, emigrating with his family to New York in 1945. He was a professor of art history at Hunter College, City University of New York, and then Benjamin Franklin Professor at the University of Pennsylvania, where he remained until his retirement in 1990. Sheila Schwartz worked with Steinberg from 1968 until his death in 2011. She received her PhD from the Institute of Fine Arts, New York University, and is presently research and archives director of the Saul Steinberg Foundation.
Critical Terms for the Study of Africa
Edited by GAURAV DESAI and ADELINE MASQUELIER

For far too long, the Western world viewed Africa as a seemingly unmappable region and a repository for outsiders’ wildest imaginings. This problematic notion has had lingering effects not only on popular impressions of the continent but also on the development of the academic study of Africa. Critical Terms for the Study of Africa considers the legacies that have shaped our understanding of the continent and its place within the conceptual grammar of contemporary world affairs.

Written by a distinguished group of scholars, the essays compiled in this volume take stock of African studies today and look toward a future beyond its fraught intellectual and political past. Each essay discusses one of our most critical terms for talking about Africa, exploring the trajectory of its development while pushing its boundaries. Editors Gaurav Desai and Adeline Masquelier balance the choice of twenty-five terms between the expected and the unexpected, calling for nothing short of a new mapping of the scholarly terrain. The result is an essential reference that will challenge assumptions, stimulate lively debate, and make the past, present, and future of African studies accessible to students and teachers alike.

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Song Walking
Women, Music, and Environmental Justice in an African Borderland

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Song Walking explores the politics of land, its position in memories, and its foundation in changing land-use practices in western Maputaland, a borderland region situated at the juncture of South Africa, Mozambique, and Swaziland. Angela Impey investigates contrasting accounts of this little-known geopolitical triangle, offsetting textual histories with the memories of a group of elderly women whose songs and everyday practices narrativize a century of borderland dynamics. Drawing evidence from women’s walking songs—once performed while traversing vast distances to the accompaniment of the European mouth-harp—she uncovers the manifold impacts of internationally-driven transboundary environmental conservation on land, livelihoods, and local senses of place.

This book links ethnomusicological research to larger themes of international development, environmental conservation, gender, and local economic access to resources. By demonstrating that development processes are essentially cultural processes and revealing how music fits within this frame, Song Walking testifies to the affective, spatial, and economic dimensions of place, while contributing to a more inclusive and culturally apposite alignment between land and environmental policies and local needs and practices.

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The Neighborhood of Gods
The Sacred and the Visible at the Margins of Mumbai

WILLIAM ELISON

There are many holy cities in India, but Mumbai is not usually named as one of them. More popular images of the city capture the world’s collective imagination—as a Bollywood fantasia or a slumland dystopia. Yet in reality, most people who live in the city share their neighborhood streets with local gods and guardian spirits. In The Neighborhood of Gods, William Elison examines the link between territory and divinity in India’s most self-consciously modern city. In this densely settled environment, space is scarce, and anxiety about housing is pervasive. Consecrating space—first with impromptu displays and then, eventually, with full-blown temples and official recognition—is one way of staking a claim. But how can a marginalized community make its gods visible, and therefore powerful, in the eyes of others?

The Neighborhood of Gods expands on this question, bringing an ethnographic lens to a range of visual and spatial practices: from the shrine construction that encroaches on downtown streets, to the “tribal art” practices of an indigenous group facing displacement, to the work of image production at two Bollywood film studios. A pioneering ethnography, this book offers a creative intervention in debates on postcolonial citizenship, urban geography, and visuality in the religions of India.

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Guerrilla Marketing
Counterinsurgency and Capitalism in Colombia

ALEXANDER L. FATTAL

Brand warfare is real. Guerrilla Marketing details the Colombian government’s efforts to transform Marxist guerrilla fighters in the FARC into consumer citizens. Alexander L. Fattal shows how the market has become one of the principal grounds on which counterinsurgency warfare is waged and post-conflict futures imagined in Colombia. This layered case study illuminates a larger phenomenon: the convergence of marketing and militarism in the twenty-first century. Taking a global view of information warfare, Guerrilla Marketing combines archival research and extensive fieldwork not just with the Colombian Ministry of Defense and former rebel communities, but also with political exiles in Sweden and peace negotiators in Havana. Throughout, Fattal deftly intertwines insights into the modern surveillance state, peace and conflict studies, and humanitarian interventions, on one hand, with critical engagements with marketing, consumer culture, and late capitalism on the other. The result is a powerful analysis of the intersection of conflict and consumerism in a world where governance is increasingly structured by brand ideology and wars sold as humanitarian interventions.

Full of rich, unforgettable ethnographic stories, Guerrilla Marketing is a stunning—and troubling—analysis of global conflict at a moment when warfare and consumer advertising are remaking each other and taking on furtive forms.

Alexander L. Fattal is assistant professor in the Department of Film-Video and Media Studies at Pennsylvania State University.
In 1961, John F. Kennedy referred to the Papuans as “living, as it were, in the Stone Age.” For the most part, politicians and scholars have since learned not to call people “primitive,” but when it comes to the Papuans, the Stone-Age stain persists and for decades has been used to justify denying their basic rights. Why has this fantasy held such a tight grip on the imagination of journalists, policy-makers, and the public at large?

_Living in the Stone Age_ answers this question by following the adventures of officials sent to the New Guinea highlands in the 1930s to establish a foothold for Dutch colonialism. These officials became deeply dependent on the good graces of their would-be Papuan subjects, who were their hosts, guides, and, in some cases, friends. Danilyn Rutherford shows how, to preserve their sense of racial superiority, these officials imagined that they were traveling in the Stone Age—a parallel reality where their own impotence was a reasonable response to otherworldly conditions rather than a sign of ignorance or weakness. Thus, Rutherford shows, was born a colonialist ideology.

_Living in the Stone Age_ is a call to write the history of colonialism differently, as a tale of weakness not strength. It will change the way readers think about cultural contact, colonial fantasies of domination, and the role of anthropology in the postcolonial world.

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Recent economic crises have made the centrality of debt, and the instability it creates, increasingly apparent. This realization has led to cries for change—yet there is little popular awareness of possible alternatives.

_Beyond Debt_ describes efforts to create a transnational economy free of debt. Drawing on research in Malaysia, Daromir Rudnyckyj illustrates how the state, led by the central bank, seeks to make the country’s capital Kuala Lumpur the “the New York of the Muslim world”—the central node of global financial activity conducted in accordance with Islam. Rudnyckyj shows how Islamic financial experts have undertaken ambitious experiments to create more stable economies and stronger social solidarities by facilitating risk-and profit-sharing, enhanced entrepreneurial skills, and more collaborative economic action. Building on ethnographic work that reveals the impact of financial devices on human activity, he illustrates how experts deploy Islamic finance to fashion subjects who are at once more pious Muslims and more ambitious entrepreneurs. In so doing, Rudnyckyj shows how they seek to create a “new geo-economics”—a global Islamic alternative to the conventional financial network centered on New York, London, and Tokyo. A groundbreaking analysis of a timely subject, _Beyond Debt_ tells the captivating story of efforts to re-center the global system in an emergent Islamic global city and, ultimately, to challenge the very foundations of conventional finance.

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_Daromir Rudnyckyj_ is associate professor of anthropology at the University of Victoria, Canada.
From the sixteenth to the eighteenth centuries, Europeans struggled to understand their identity in the same way we do as individuals: by comparing themselves to others. In *Savages, Romans, and Despots*, Robert Launay takes us on a fascinating tour of early modern and modern history in an attempt to untangle how various depictions of “foreign” cultures and civilizations saturated debates about religion, morality, politics, and art.

Beginning with Mandeville and Montaigne, and working through Montesquieu, Diderot, Gibbon, Herder, and others, Launay traces how Europeans both admired and disdained unfamiliar societies in their attempts to work through the inner conflicts of their own social worlds. Some of these writers drew caricatures of “savages,” “Oriental despots,” and “ancient” Greeks and Romans. Others earnestly attempted to understand them. But, throughout this history, comparative thinking opened a space for critical reflection. At its worst, such space could give rise to a sense of European superiority. At its best, however, it could prompt awareness of the value of other ways of being in the world.

Launay’s masterful survey of some of the Western tradition’s finest minds offers a keen exploration of the very notion of “civilization,” as well as an engaging portrait of the promises and perils of crosscultural comparison.

**Robert Launay** is professor of anthropology at Northwestern University.
Until well into the twentieth century, pack animals were the primary mode of transport for supplying armies in the field. The British Indian Army was no exception. In the late nineteenth century, for example, it forcibly pressed into service thousands of camels of the Indus River basin to move supplies into and out of contested areas—a system that wreaked havoc on the delicately balanced multispecies environment of humans, animals, plants, and microbes living in this region of Northwest India.

In Animal Labor and Colonial Warfare, James L. Hevia examines the use of camels, mules, and donkeys in colonial campaigns of conquest and pacification, starting with the Second Afghan War—during which an astonishing 50,000 to 60,000 camels perished—and ending in the early twentieth century. Hevia explains how during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries a new set of human-animal relations were created as European powers and the United States expanded their colonial possessions and attempted to put both local economies and ecologies in the service of resource extraction. The results were devastating to animals and human communities alike, disrupting centuries-old ecological and economic relationships. And those effects were lasting; Hevia shows how a number of the key issues faced by the postcolonial nation-state of Pakistan—such as shortages of clean water for agriculture, humans, and animals, and limited resources for dealing with infectious diseases—can be directly traced to decisions made in the colonial past. An innovative study of an underexplored historical moment, Animal Labor and Colonial Warfare opens up animal studies to non-Western contexts and provides an empirically rich contribution to the emerging field of multispecies historical ecology.

James L. Hevia is professor of history and director of the undergraduate program in global studies at the University of Chicago. He is the author of, most recently, The Imperial Security State and English Lessons.
The Invention of Madness
State, Society, and the Insane in Modern China

EMILY BAUM

Throughout most of history in China, the insane were kept within the home and treated by healers who claimed no specialized knowledge of their condition. In the first decade of the twentieth century, however, psychiatric ideas and institutions began to influence long-standing beliefs about the proper treatment for the mentally ill. In The Invention of Madness, Emily Baum traces a genealogy of insanity from the turn of the century to the onset of war with Japan in 1937, revealing the complex and convoluted ways in which “madness” was transformed in the Chinese imagination into “mental illness.”

Focusing on typically marginalized historical actors, including municipal functionaries and the urban poor, The Invention of Madness shifts our attention from the elite desire for modern medical care to the ways in which psychiatric discourses were implemented and redeployed in the midst of everyday life. New meanings and practices of madness, Baum argues, were not just imposed on the Beijing public but continuously invented by a range of people in ways that reflected their own needs and interests. Exhaustively researched and theoretically informed, The Invention of Madness is an innovative contribution to medical history, urban studies, and the social history of twentieth-century China.

Emily Baum is assistant professor of modern Chinese history at the University of California, Irvine.

Islam and World History
The Ventures of Marshall Hodgson

Edited by EDMUND BURKE III and ROBERT J. MANKIN

Published in 1974, Marshall Hodgson’s The Venture of Islam was a watershed moment in the study of Islam. By locating the history of Islamic societies in a global perspective, Hodgson challenged the orientalist paradigms that had stunted the development of Islamic studies and provided an alternative approach to world history. Edited by Edmund Burke III and Robert J. Mankin, Islam and World History explores the complexity of Hodgson’s thought, the daring of his ideas, and the global context of his world historical insights into, among other themes, Islam and world history, gender in Islam, and the problem of Muslim universality.

In our post-9/11 world, Hodgson’s historical vision and moral engagement have never been more relevant. A towering achievement, Islam and World History will prove the definitive statement on Hodgson’s relevance in the twenty-first century and will introduce his influential work to a new generation of readers.

Edmund Burke III is professor emeritus, research professor of history, and the director of the Center for World History at University of California Santa Cruz. Robert J. Mankin (1952–2017) was director of Anglophone studies at the Université Paris Diderot (Paris VII) in France.
Between the catastrophic flood of the Tiber River in 1557 and the death of the “engineering pope,” Sixtus V, in 1590, the city of Rome was transformed by intense activity involving building construction and engineering projects of all kinds. Using hundreds of archival documents and primary sources, *Engineering the Eternal City* explores the processes and people involved in these infrastructure projects—sewers, bridge repair, flood prevention, aqueduct construction, the building of new, straight streets, and even the relocation of immensely heavy ancient Egyptian obelisks that Roman emperors had carried to the city centuries before.

This portrait of early modern Rome examines the many conflicts, failures, and successes that shaped the city, as decision-makers tried to control not only Rome’s structures and infrastructures but also the people who lived there. Taking up visual images of the city created during the same period—most importantly in maps and urban representations—this book shows how in a time before the development of modern professionalism and bureaucracies, there was far more wide-ranging conversation among people of various backgrounds on issues of engineering and infrastructure than there is in our own times. Physicians, civic leaders, jurists, cardinals, popes, and clerics engaged with painters, sculptors, architects, printers, and other practitioners as they discussed, argued, and completed the projects that remade Rome.

**Pamela O. Long** is an independent historian of late medieval and early modern Europe and of the history of science and technology. Her books include *Openness, Secrecy, Authorship: Technical Arts and the Culture of Knowledge from Antiquity to the Renaissance* and *Artisan/Practitioners and the Rise of the New Sciences, 1400–1600.*
In Germany, Nazi ideology casts a long shadow over the history of archaeological interpretation. Propaganda, school curricula, and academic publications under the regime drew spurious conclusions from archaeological evidence to glorify the Germanic past and proclaim chauvinistic notions of cultural and racial superiority. But was this powerful and violent version of the distant past a nationalist invention or a direct outcome of earlier archaeological practices? By exploring the myriad pathways along which people became familiar with archaeology and the ancient past—from exhibits at local and regional museums to the plotlines of popular historical novels—this broad cultural history shows that the use of archaeology for nationalistic pursuits was far from preordained.

In Germany’s Ancient Pasts, Brent Maner offers a vivid portrait of the development of antiquarianism and archaeology, the interaction between regional and national history, and scholarly debates about the use of ancient objects to answer questions of race, ethnicity, and national belonging. A fascinating investigation of the quest to turn pre- and early history into history, Germany’s Ancient Pasts sheds new light on the joint sway of science and politics over archaeological interpretation.

Brent Maner is associate professor of history at Kansas State University.
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In this startling new account of corporate innovation and expansion, Enstad uncovers a corporate network rooted in Jim Crow segregation that stretched between the United States and China. Bright-leaf tobacco, hundreds of white southerners, cigarettes, and industry expertise all flowed through this multinational network. Cigarettes, Inc., teems with a global cast—from Egyptian, American, and Chinese entrepreneurs to a multiracial set of farmers, merchants, factory workers, marketers, and even baseball players, jazz musicians, and sex workers. Through their stories, Cigarettes, Inc. accounts for the cigarette’s spectacular rise in popularity and in the process offers nothing less than a sweeping reinterpretation of corporate power itself.

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Nan Enstad is professor of history at University of Wisconsin–Madison.

John Ibson is emeritus professor of American studies at California State University, Fullerton.
On the Spirit of Rights  
DAN EDELSTEIN

By the end of the eighteenth century, politicians in America and France were invoking the natural rights of man to wrest sovereignty away from kings and lay down universal basic entitlements. Exactly how and when did “rights” come to justify such measures?

In On the Spirit of Rights, Dan Edelstein answers this question by examining the complex genealogy of the rights regimes enshrined in the American and French Revolutions. With a lively attention to detail, he surveys a sprawling series of debates among rulers, jurists, philosophers, political reformers, writers, and others who were all engaged in laying the groundwork for our contemporary systems of constitutional governance. Every seemingly new claim about rights turns out to be a variation on a theme, as late-medieval notions were subtly repeated and refined to yield the talk of “rights” we recognize today. From the Wars of Religion to the French Declarations of the Rights of Man to the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights, On the Spirit of Rights is a sweeping tour through centuries of European intellectual history and an essential guide to our ways of thinking about human rights today.

Dan Edelstein is the William H. Bonsall Professor of French and professor of history (by courtesy) at Stanford University. He is the author of The Terror of Natural Right: Republicanism, the Cult of Nature, and the French Revolution and The Enlightenment: A Genealogy, both published by the University of Chicago Press.

Urban Dreams, Rural Commonwealth  
The Rise of Plantation Society in the Chesapeake  
PAUL MUSSELWHITE

The early European settlers who staked their claims in the Chesapeake Bay were drawn to it for a variety of reasons. Some viewed the bay as a wild landscape waiting to be tamed, while others saw potential there for spiritual sanctuary. But all of them had one thing in common with other East Coast colonizers: they all aspired to found, organize, and maintain functioning towns—an aspiration that met with varying degrees of success. As Urban Dreams, Rural Commonwealth reveals, the agrarian plantation society that eventually sprang up around the Chesapeake Bay was not a preordained result—rather, it was the necessary product of failed attempts to build cities.

Paul Musselwhite details the unsuccessful urban development that defined the bay from the seventeenth century through the Civil War, showing how places like Jamestown and Annapolis—despite their famous names—were relatively fruitless experiments in urbanization compared to more thriving American cities. He explains how unresolved debates around issues including commerce, taxation, legislative representation, and the nature of government impeded the growth of cities and instead fostered the development of a network of plantations, with profound consequences for the course of American history. As Musselwhite reveals, the antebellum economy around this well-known waterway was built not in the absence of cities, but upon their aspirational wreckage.

Paul Musselwhite is assistant professor of history at Dartmouth College.
Many Americans imagine the Arctic as harsh, freezing, and nearly uninhabitable. The living Arctic, however—the one experienced by native Inuit and others who worked and traveled there—is a diverse region shaped by much more than stereotype and mythology. Do You See Ice? presents a history of Arctic encounters from 1850 to 1920 based on Inuit and American accounts, revealing how people have made sense of new or changing environments.

Karen Routledge vividly depicts the experiences of American whalers and explorers in Inuit homelands. Conversely, she relates stories of Inuit who traveled to the northeastern United States and were similarly challenged by the norms, practices, and weather they found there. Standing apart from earlier books of Arctic cultural research—which tend to focus on either Western expeditions or Inuit life—Do You See Ice? explores relationships between these two groups in a series of northern and temperate locations. Based on archival research and conversations with Inuit elders and experts, Routledge’s book is grounded by ideas of home: how Inuit and Americans often experienced each other’s countries as dangerous and inhospitable, how they tried to feel at home in unfamiliar places, and why these feelings and experiences continue to resonate today.

Karen Routledge is a historian at Parks Canada.
Artists today are at a crossroads. With funding for the arts and humanities endowments perpetually under attack, the place of the arts in our civic future is uncertain to say the least. At the same time, faced with the problems of the modern world—from water shortages and grave health concerns to climate change and the now-constant threat of terrorism—one might question the urgency of arts funding. In the politically fraught world we live in, is the “felt” experience even something worth fighting for?

In this soul-searching collection of vignettes, Patrick Summers gives us an adamant, impassioned affirmative. Art, he argues, nurtures freedom of thought, and is more necessary now than ever before.

As artistic director of the Houston Grand Opera, Summers is well positioned to take stock of the limitations of the professional arts world—a world where the conversation revolves almost entirely around financial questions and whose reputation tends toward elitism—and to remind us of art’s fundamental relationship to joy and meaning. Offering a vehement defense of long-form arts in a world with a short attention span, Summers argues that art is spiritual, and that music in particular has the ability to ask spiritual questions, to inspire cathartic pathos, and to express spiritual truths. Summers guides us through his personal encounters with art and music in disparate places, from Houston’s Rothko Chapel to a music classroom in rural China, and reflects on musical works he has conducted all over the world.

This book is a moving credo elucidating Summers’s belief that the arts, especially music, help us to understand our own humanity as intellectual, aesthetic, and ultimately spiritual.

Patrick Summers is artistic and music director and principal conductor of the Houston Grand Opera, and principal guest conductor of the San Francisco Opera.
In 1956, Harry Belafonte’s *Calypso* established a historic landmark in becoming the first LP to sell more than a million copies. For a few fleeting months, calypso music was the top-selling genre in the United States—it even threatened to supplant rock and roll. But where exactly did calypso come from, and just how new was it?

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In this unique, hybrid book, cultural and music historian Michael P. Steinberg combines a close analysis of Wagnerian music drama with a personal account of his work as a dramaturg on the bicentennial production of The Ring of the Nibelung for the Teatro alla Scala Milan and the Berlin State Opera. Steinberg shows how Wagner uses the power of a modern mythology to heighten music’s claims to knowledge, thereby fusing not only art and politics, but truth and lies as well. Rather than attempting to separate value and violence, or “the good from the bad,” as much Wagner scholarship as well as popular writing have tended to do, Steinberg proposes that we confront this paradox and look to the capacity of the stage to explore its depths and implications.

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Drawing on decades of engagement with Wagner and experience teaching opera across disciplines, The Trouble with Wagner is packed with novel insights for experts and interested readers alike.
Currency Statecraft
Monetary Rivalry and Geopolitical Ambition

BENJAMIN J. COHEN

At any given time, a limited number of national currencies are used as instruments of international commerce. How countries whose currencies gain international appeal choose to use this status forms their strategy of currency statecraft. In different circumstances, issuing governments may welcome and promote the internationalization of their currency, tolerate it, or actively oppose it. Benjamin J. Cohen offers a provocative explanation of the strategic policy choices at play.

In a comprehensive review that ranges from World War II to the present, Cohen convincingly argues that one goal stands out as the primary motivation for currency statecraft: the extent of a country’s geopolitical ambition, or how driven it is to build or sustain a prominent place in the international community. When a currency becomes internationalized, it generally increases the power of the nation that produces it. In the persistent contestation that characterizes global politics, that extra edge can matter greatly, making monetary rivalry an integral component of geopolitics. Today, the major example of monetary rivalry is the emerging confrontation between the US dollar and the Chinese renminbi. Cohen describes how China has vigorously promoted the international standing of its currency in recent years, even at the risk of exacerbating relations with the United States, and explains how the outcome could play a major role in shaping the broader geopolitical engagement between the two superpowers.

Benjamin J. Cohen is the Louis G. Lancaster Professor of International Political Economy at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Good Music
What It Is and Who Gets to Decide

JOHN J. SHEINBAUM

Over the past two centuries Western culture has largely valorized a particular kind of “good” music—highly serious, wondrously deep, stylistically authentic, heroically created, and strikingly original—and, at the same time, has marginalized music that does not live up to those ideals.

In Good Music, John J. Sheinbaum explores these traditional models for valuing music. By engaging examples such as Handel oratorios, Beethoven and Mahler symphonies, jazz improvisations, Bruce Springsteen, and prog rock, he argues that metaphors of perfection do justice to neither the perceived strengths nor the assumed weaknesses of the music in question. Instead, he proposes an alternative model of appreciation where abstract notions of virtue need not dictate our understanding. Good music can, with pride, be playful rather than serious, diverse rather than unified, engaging to both body and mind, in dialogue with manifold styles and genres, and collaborative to the core. We can widen the scope of what music we value and reconsider the conventional rituals surrounding it, while retaining the joys of making music, listening closely, and caring passionately.

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If you’ve got some money in the bank, chances are you’ve never seriously worried about not being able to withdraw it. But there was a time in the United States, an era that ended just over a hundred years ago, in which bank customers had to pay close attention to whether the banking system would remain solvent, knowing they might have to rush to retrieve their savings before the bank collapsed. During the National Banking Era (1863–1914), before the establishment of the Federal Reserve, widespread banking panics were indeed rather common.

Yet these pre-Fed banking panics, as Gary B. Gorton and Ellis W. Tallman show, bear striking similarities to our recent financial crisis. In both cases, something happened to make depositors—whether individual customers or corporate investors—“act differently” and find reason to question the value of their bank debt.

_Fighting Financial Crises_ thus turns to the past for a fuller understanding of our uncertain present, investigating how panics during the National Banking Era played out and how they were eventually quelled and prevented. Gorton and Tallman open with a survey of the period’s “information environment,” tracing the development of national bank notes, checks, and clearing houses to show how the key to keeping order was to disseminate information very carefully. Identifying the most effective responses based on the framework of the National Banking Era, the book then considers the Fed’s and the SEC’s reactions to the recent crisis, building an informative new perspective on how the modern economy works.

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Leo Bersani, known for his provocative interrogations of psychoanalysis, sexuality, and the human body, centers his latest book around a surprisingly simple image: a newborn baby simultaneously crying out and drawing its first breath. These twin ideas—absorption and expulsion, the intake of physical and emotional nourishment and the exhalation of breath—form the backbone of _Receptive Bodies_, a thoughtful new essay collection. These titular bodies range from fetuses in utero to fully eroticized adults, all the way out to celestial giants floating in space. Bersani illustrates his exploration of the body’s capacities to receive and resist what is ostensibly alien using a typically eclectic set of sources, from the Marquis de Sade to Lars von Trier. This brief but wide-ranging book will excite scholars of Freud, Foucault, and the cinema, or anyone who’s ever stopped to ponder the give and take of human corporeality.

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Gary B. Gorton is the Frederick Frank Class of 1954 Professor of Management and professor of finance at Yale University School of Management and a research associate of the NBER. He is the author of many books, including, most recently, _The Maze of Banking: History, Theory, Crisis_. Ellis W. Tallman is executive vice president and director of research at the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland. He has published extensively on macroeconomics, economic forecasting, and historical episodes of financial crisis.
Evidence of Being
The Black Gay Cultural Renaissance and the Politics of Violence
DARIUS BOST

Evidence of Being opens on a grim scene: Washington DC’s gay black community in the 1980s, ravaged by AIDS, the crack epidemic, and a series of unsolved murders, seemingly abandoned by the government and mainstream culture. Yet in this darkest of moments, a new vision of community and hope emerged. Darius Bost’s account of the media, poetry, and performances of this time and place reveals a stunning confluence of activism and the arts. In Washington and New York during the 1980s and ’90s, gay black men banded together, using creative expression as a tool to challenge the widespread views that marked them as unworthy of grief. They created art that enriched and reimagined their lives in the face of pain and neglect, while at the same time forging a path toward bold new modes of existence. At once a corrective to the predominantly white male accounts of the AIDS crisis and an openhearted depiction of the possibilities of black gay life, Evidence of Being above all insists on the primacy of community over loneliness and hope over despair.

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Sovereignty and the Sacred
Secularism and the Political Economy of Religion
ROBERT A. YELLE

Sovereignty and the Sacred challenges contemporary models of polity and economy through a two-step engagement with the history of religions. Beginning with the recognition of the convergence in the history of European political theology between the sacred and the sovereign as creating “states of exception”—that is, moments of rupture in the normative order that, by transcending this order, are capable of re-founding or remaking it—Robert A. Yelle identifies our secular, capitalist system as an attempt to exclude such moments by subordinating them to the calculability of laws and markets. The second step marshals evidence from history and anthropology that helps us to recognize the contribution of such states of exception to ethical life, as a means of release from the legal or economic order. Yelle draws on evidence from the Hebrew Bible to English deism, and from the Aztecs to ancient India, to develop a theory of polity that finds a place and a purpose for those aspects of religion that are often marginalized and dismissed as irrational by Enlightenment liberalism and utilitarianism.

Developing this close analogy between two elemental domains of society, Sovereignty and the Sacred offers a new theory of religion while suggesting alternative ways of organizing our political and economic life. By rethinking the transcendent foundations and liberating potential of both religion and politics, Yelle points to more hopeful and ethical modes of collective life based on egalitarianism and popular sovereignty. Deliberately countering the narrowness of currently dominant economic, political, and legal theories, he demonstrates the potential of a revived history of religions to contribute to a rethinking of the foundations of our political and social order.

Robert A. Yelle is professor of the theory and method of religious studies at Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich. He is the author of Explaining Mantras: Ritual, Rhetoric, and the Dream of a Natural Language in Hindu Tantra; The Language of Disenchantment: Protestant Liberalism and Colonial Discourse in British India; and Semiotics of Religion: Signs of the Sacred in History.
Apps and Oranges
Explorations In, On, and With Comparison

Comparison is an indispensable intellectual operation that plays a crucial role in the formation of knowledge. Yet comparison often leads us to forego attention to nuance, detail, and context, perhaps leaving us bereft of an ethical obligation to take things correspondingly as they are. Examining the practice of comparison across the study of history, language, religion, and culture, distinguished scholar of religion Bruce Lincoln argues in *Apps and Oranges* for a comparatism of a more modest sort.

Lincoln presents critiques of recent attempts at grand comparison, and enlists numerous theoretical examples of how a cautious and discriminating form of comparison might work and what it can accomplish. He does this through studies of shamans, werewolves, human sacrifices, apocalyptic prophecies, sacred kings, and surveys of materials as diverse and wide-ranging as *Beowulf*, Herodotus’s account of the Scythians, the Native American Ghost Dance, and the Spanish Civil War.

Ultimately, Lincoln argues that concentrating one’s focus on a relatively small number of items that the researcher can compare closely, offering equal attention to relations of similarity and difference, not only grants dignity to all parties considered, it yields more reliable and more interesting—if less grandiose—results. Giving equal attention to the social, historical, and political contexts and subtexts of religious and literary texts also allows scholars not just to assess their content, but also to understand the forces, problems, and circumstances that motivated and shaped them.

Bruce Lincoln is the Caroline E. Haskell Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus of the History of Religions in the Divinity School at the University of Chicago, where he also holds positions in the Center for Middle Eastern Studies and on the Committee on Medieval Studies, with affiliations in the Departments of Anthropology and Classics. Recent books include *Between History and Myth: Stories of Harald Fairhair and the Founding of the State* and *Gods and Demons, Priests and Scholars: Critical Explorations in the History of Religions*, both published by the University of Chicago Press.
Abiding Grace
Time, Modernity, Death

Post-war, post-industrialism, post-religion, post-truth, post-biological, post-human, post-modern. What succeeds the post-age? Mark C. Taylor returns here to some of his earliest philosophical themes and inquires, ultimately asking: What comes after the end?

*Abiding Grace* navigates the competing Hegelian and Kierkegaardian trajectories born out of the Reformation and finds Taylor arguing from spaces in between, showing how both narratives have shaped recent philosophy and culture. For Hegel, Luther’s internalization of faith anticipated the modern principle of autonomy, which reached its fullest expression in speculative philosophy. The closure of the Hegelian system still endures in the twenty-first century in consumer society, financial capitalism, and virtual culture. For Kierkegaard, by contrast, Luther’s God remains radically transcendent, while finite human beings and their world remain fully dependent. From this insight, Heidegger and Derrida developed an alternative view of time in which a radically open future breaks into the present to transform the past, demonstrating that, far from autonomous, life is a gift from an Other that can never be known.

Offering an alternative genealogy of deconstruction that traces its pedigree back to readings of Paul by way of Luther, *Abiding Grace* presents a thorough going critique of modernity and postmodernity’s will to power and mastery. In this new philosophical and theological vision, history is not over and the future remains endlessly open.

*Mark C. Taylor* is professor of religion at Columbia University and is the founding editor of the Religion and Postmodernism series published by the University of Chicago Press. He is author of more than two dozen books, including *Last Works: Lessons in Leaving* and *Speed Limits: Where Time Went and Why We Have So Little Left.*
Despite continued public and legislative concern about sex trafficking across international borders, the actual lives of the individuals involved—and, more importantly, the decisions that led them to sex work—are too often obscured or swept away entirely. With *Mobile Orientations*, Nicola Mai uncovers the dreams, needs, and priorities that motivate migrant sex workers from locales as far flung as the Balkans, the Maghreb, and West Africa.

Mai reveals that, far from being victims of a global system beyond their control, many contemporary sex workers use their profession as a means to try to forge a path toward fulfillment. Using a bold blend of personal narratives and an autoethnographic approach, Mai provides intimate portrayals of sex workers from around the world who decided to sell sex as the means to achieve a better life. Mai explores the contrast between how migrants understand themselves and their work and how humanitarian and governmental agencies unwittingly conceal their stories by addressing all sex workers as helpless victims. The culmination of twenty years of research, *Mobile Orientations* sheds new light on the desires and ambitions of migrant sex workers across the world.

**Nicola Mai** is professor of sociology and migration studies at Kingston University, London.
Thinking Through Statistics
JOHN LEVI MARTIN

Simply put, Thinking Through Statistics is a primer on how to maintain rigorous data standards in social science work. But don’t let that daunt you. With clever examples and witty takeaways, John Levi Martin proves himself to be a most affable tour guide through these scholarly waters.

Martin lays out the fundamental vocabulary of sociological statistics—from probability to null models—and illustrates common pitfalls to avoid in quantitative research. He encourages readers to hunker down with the data, using a combination of visual models and simulations to outline the threats to accuracy and validity in a conventional researcher’s work. Thinking Through Statistics gives social science practitioners accessible insight into troves of wisdom that would normally have to be earned through arduous trial and error, and it does so with a lighthearted approach that ensures this field guide is anything but stodgy.

John Levi Martin is the Florence Borchert Bartling Professor of Sociology at the University of Chicago and the author of Thinking Through Methods, also published the University of Chicago Press.

Enumerations
Data and Literary Study
ANDREW PIPER

For well over a century, academic disciplines have studied human behavior using quantitative information. Until recently, however, the humanities have remained largely immune to the use of data—or vigorously resisted it. Thanks to new developments in computer science and natural language processing, literary scholars have embraced the quantitative study of literary works and have helped make digital humanities a rapidly growing field. But these developments raise a fundamental, and as yet unanswered question: what is the meaning of literary quantity?

In Enumerations, Andrew Piper answers that question across a variety of domains fundamental to the study of literature. He focuses on the elementary particles of literature, from the role of punctuation in poetry, the matter of plot in novels, the study of topoi, and the behavior of characters, to the nature of fictional language and the shape of a poet’s career. How does quantity affect our understanding of these categories? What happens when we look at 3,388,230 punctuation marks, 1.4 billion words, or 650,000 fictional characters? Does this change how we think about poetry, the novel, fictionality, character, the commonplace, or the writer’s career? In the course of answering such questions, Piper introduces readers to the analytical building blocks of computational text analysis and brings them to bear on fundamental concerns of literary scholarship. This book will be essential reading for anyone interested in digital humanities and the future of literary study.

Andrew Piper is professor in the Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures at McGill University. He is the author of Dreaming in Books: The Making of the Bibliographic Imagination in the Romantic Age and Book Was There: Reading in Electronic Times, both published by the University of Chicago Press. He is also a founding member of the Multigraph Collective, a group of twenty-two scholars that recently published Interacting with Print: Elements of Reading in the Era of Print Saturation, also from the University of Chicago Press.


Shakespeare's Lyric Stage
Myth, Music, and Poetry in the Last Plays

SETH LERER

What does it mean to have an emotional response to poetry and music? And, just as important but considered less often, what does it mean not to have such a response? What happens when lyric utterances—which should invite consolation, revelation, and connection—somehow fall short of the listener's expectations?

As Seth Lerer shows in this pioneering book, Shakespeare's late plays invite us to contemplate that very question, offering up lyric as a displaced and sometimes desperate antidote to situations of duress or powerlessness. Lerer argues that the theme of lyric misalignment running throughout The Tempest, The Winter's Tale, Henry VIII, and Cymbeline serves a political purpose, a last-ditch effort at transformation for characters and audiences who had lived through witch-hunting, plague, regime change, political conspiracies, and public executions.

A deep dive into the relationship between aesthetics and politics, this book also explores what Shakespearean lyric is able to recuperate for these "victims of history" by virtue of its disjointed utterances. To this end, Lerer establishes the concept of mythic lyricism: an estranging use of songs and poetry that functions to recreate the past as present, to empower the mythic dead, and to restore a bit of magic to the commonplace commodities of Jacobean England. Reading against the devotion to form and prosody common in Shakespeare scholarship, Lerer's account of lyric utterance's vexed role in his late works offers new ways to understand generational distance and cultural change throughout the playwright's oeuvre.

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Shakespearean Territories

STUART ELDEN

A large part of Shakespeare's enduring appeal comes from his engagement with contemporary social and political issues. The modern practice of territory as a political concept and technology that emerged during Shakespeare's life did not elude his profound political-geographical imagination. In Shakespearean Territories, Stuart Elden reveals through close readings of the plays just how much Shakespeare's unique historical position, combined with his imagination and political understanding, can teach us about territory. Throughout his prolific career as a playwright, Shakespeare dramatized a world filled with technological advances in measuring, navigation, cartography, military operations, and surveying. His tragedies and histories—and even several of his comedies—open up important ways of thinking about strategy, economy, the law, and the colonial, providing critical insight into a significant juncture in history. Shakespeare's plays explore many territorial themes: from the division of the kingdom in King Lear to the relations among Denmark, Norway, and Poland in Hamlet; from the Salic Law in Henry V to questions of disputed land and the politics of banishment in Richard II. Elden traces how Shakespeare developed a nuanced understanding of the complicated concept and practice of territory and, more broadly, the political-geographical relations between people, power, and place.

A meticulously researched study of more than a dozen classic plays, Shakespearean Territories will provide new insights for geographers, political theorists, and Shakespearean scholars alike.

Stuart Elden is professor of political theory and geography at the University of Warwick.
Staging Contemplation
Participatory Theology in Middle English Prose, Verse, and Drama
ELEANOR JOHNSON

What does it mean to contemplate? In the Middle Ages, more than merely thinking with intensity, it was a religious practice entailing utter receptiveness to the divine presence. Contemplation is widely considered by scholars today to have been the highest form of devotional prayer, a rarified means of experiencing God practiced only by the most devout of monks, nuns, and mystics.

Yet, in this groundbreaking new book, Eleanor Johnson argues instead for the pervasiveness and accessibility of contemplative works to medieval audiences. By drawing together ostensibly diverse literary genres—devotional prose, allegorical poetry, cycle dramas, and morality plays—Staging Contemplation paints late Middle English contemplative writing as a broad genre that operated collectively and experientially as much as through radical individual disengagement from the world. Johnson further argues that the contemplative genre played a crucial role in the exploration of the English vernacular as a literary and theological language in the fifteenth century, tracing how these works engaged modes of disfluency—from strained syntax and aberrant grammar to puns, slang, code-switching, and laughter—to explore the limits, norms, and potential of English as a devotional language. Full of virtuoso close readings, this book demonstrates a sustained interest in how poetic language can foster a participatory experience of likeness to God among lay and devotional audiences alike.

Eleanor Johnson is associate professor of English and comparative literature at Columbia University and the author of Practicing Literary Theory in the Late Middle Ages.

Grammars of Approach
Landscape, Narrative, and the Linguistic Picturesque
CYNTHIA WALL

In Grammars of Approach, Cynthia Wall offers a close look at changes in perspective in spatial design, language, and narrative across the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries that involve, literally and psychologically, the concept of “approach.” In architecture, the term “approach” changed in that period from a verb to a noun, coming to denote the drive from the lodge at the entrance of an estate “through the most interesting part of the grounds,” as landscape designer Humphrey Repton put it. The shift from the long, straight avenue to the winding approach, Wall shows, swung the perceptual balance away from the great house onto the personal experience of the visitor. At the same time, the grammatical and typographical landscape was shifting in tandem, away from objects and Things (and capitalized common Nouns) to the spaces in between, like punctuation and the “lesser parts of speech.” The implications for narrative included new patterns of syntactical architecture and the phenomenon of free indirect discourse. Wall examines the work of landscape theorists such as Repton, John Claudius Loudon, and Thomas Whately alongside travel narratives, topographical views, printers’ manuals, dictionaries, encyclopedias, grammars, and the novels of Defoe, Richardson, Burney, Radcliffe, and Austen to reveal a new landscaping across disciplines—new grammars of approach in ways of perceiving and representing the world in both word and image.

Cynthia Wall is professor of English at the University of Virginia. She is an editor of works by Bunyan, Defoe, and Pope, and the author of The Literary and Cultural Spaces of Restoration London and The Prose of Things: Transformations of Description in the Eighteenth Century.
The uncontested center of the black pulp fiction universe for more than four decades was the Los Angeles publisher Holloway House. From the late 1960s until it closed in 2008, Holloway House specialized in cheap paperbacks with page-turning narratives featuring black protagonists in crime stories, conspiracy thrillers, prison novels, and Westerns. From Iceberg Slim’s *Pimp* to Donald Goines’s *Daddy Cool*, the thread that tied all of these books together—and made them distinct from the majority of American pulp—was an unfailling veneration of black masculinity.

In the United States, such hoaxes are familiar. Forrest Carter’s *The Education of Little Tree* and JT LeRoy’s *Sarah* are two infamous examples. Miller’s contribution is to study hoaxes beyond our borders, employing a comparative framework and bringing French and African identity hoaxes into dialogue with some of their better-known American counterparts. In France, multiculturalism is generally eschewed in favor of universalism, and there should thus be no identities (in the American sense) to steal. However, as Miller demonstrates, this, too, is a ruse: French universalism can only go so far and do so much. There is plenty of otherness to appropriate. This French and Francophone tradition of imposture has never received the study it deserves. Taking a novel approach to this understudied tradition, *Impostors* examines hoaxes in both countries, finding similar practices of deception and questions of harm.

Kinohi Nishikawa contends that black pulp fiction was built on white readers’ fears of the feminization of society—and the appeal of black masculinity as a way to counter it. In essence, it was the original form of blaxploitation: a strategy of mass-marketing race to suit the reactionary fantasies of a white audience. But while chauvinism and misogyny remained troubling aspects of this literature, from 1973 onward, Holloway House moved away from publishing sleaze for a white audience to publishing solely for black readers. The standard account of this literary phenomenon is based almost entirely on where this literature ended up: in the hands of black, male, working-class readers. When it closed, Holloway House was synonymous with genre fiction written by black authors for black readers—a field of cultural production that Nishikawa terms the black literary underground. But as *Street Players* demonstrates, this cultural authenticity had to be created, promoted, and in some cases made up, and there is a story of exploitation at the heart of black pulp fiction’s origins that cannot be ignored.
In the nineteenth century, richly drawn social fiction became one of England’s major cultural exports. At the same time, a surprising companion came to stand alongside the novel as a key embodiment of British identity: the domesticated pet. In works by authors from the Brontës to Eliot, from Dickens to Hardy, animals appeared as markers of domestic coziness and familial kindness. Yet for all their supposed significance, the animals in nineteenth-century fiction were never granted the same fullness of character or consciousness as their human masters; they remained secondary figures. Minor Creatures re-examines a slew of literary classics to show how Victorian notions of domesticity, sympathy, and individuality were shaped in response to the burgeoning pet class. The presence of beloved animals in the home led to a number of welfare-minded political movements, inspired in part by the Darwinian thought that began to sprout at the time. Nineteenth-century animals may not have been the heroes of their own lives, but, as Kreilkamp shows, the history of domestic pets deeply influenced the history of the English novel.

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In modern life, technology is everywhere. Yet as a concept, technology is a mess. In popular discourse, technology is little more than the latest digital innovations. Scholars do little better, offering up competing definitions that include everything from steelmaking to singing. In **Technology: Critical History of a Concept**, Eric Schatzberg explains why technology is so difficult to define by examining its three-thousand-year history, one shaped by persistent tensions between scholars and technical practitioners. Since the time of the ancient Greeks, scholars have tended to hold technicians in low esteem, defining technical practices as mere means toward ends defined by others. Technicians, in contrast, have repeatedly pushed back against this characterization, insisting on the dignity, creativity, and cultural worth of their work.

The tension between scholars and technicians continued from Aristotle through Francis Bacon and into the nineteenth century. It was only in the twentieth century that modern meanings of technology arose: technology as the industrial arts, technology as applied science, and technology as technique. Schatzberg traces these three meanings to the present day, when discourse about technology has become pervasive, but confusion among the three principal meanings of technology remains common. He shows that only through a humanistic concept of technology can we understand the complex human choices embedded in our modern world.

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**Philology of the Flesh**

**JOHN T. HAMILTON**

As the Christian doctrine of Incarnation asserts, “the Word became Flesh.” Yet, while this metaphor is grounded in Christian tradition, its varied functions far exceed any purely theological import. It speaks to the nature of God just as much as to the nature of language.

In **Philology of the Flesh**, John T. Hamilton explores writing and reading practices that engage this notion in a range of poetic enterprises and theoretical reflections. By pressing the notion of philology as “love” (philia) for the “word” (logos), Hamilton’s readings investigate the breadth, depth, and limits of verbal styles that are irreducible to mere information. While a philologist of the body might understand words as corporeal vessels of core meaning, the philologist of the flesh, by focusing on the carnal qualities of language, resists taking words as mere containers.

By examining a series of intellectual episodes—from the fifteenth-century humanism of Lorenzo Valla to the poetry of Emily Dickinson, from Immanuel Kant and Johann Georg Hamann to Friedrich Nietzsche, Franz Kafka, and Paul Celan—Philology of the Flesh considers the far-reaching ramifications of the incarnational metaphor, insisting on the inseparability of form and content, an insistence that allows us to rethink our relation to the concrete languages in which we think and live.

**John T. Hamilton** is the William R. Kenan Professor of German and Comparative Literature at Harvard University. Previous publications include *Soliciting Darkness: Pindar, Obscurity, and the Classical Tradition; Music, Madness, and the Unworking of Language; and Security: Politics, Humanity, and the Philology of Care.*

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A Life

The Thoreau I sought was not in any book, so I wrote this one,” says Laura Dassow Walls. Drawing on Thoreau’s copious writings, published and unpublished, Walls presents a Thoreau vigorously alive, full of quirks and contradictions: the young man shattered by the sudden death of his brother; the ambitious Harvard College student; and the ecstatic visionary who closed Walden with an account of the regenerative power of the Cosmos. We meet the man whose belief in human freedom and the value of labor made him an uncompromising abolitionist; the solitary walker who found society in nature, but also found his own nature in the society of which he was a deeply interwoven part. And, running through it all, Thoreau the passionate naturalist, who, long before the age of environmentalism, saw tragedy for future generations in the human heedlessness around him.

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Visionary Scientists and a Siberian Tale of Jump-Started Evolution

Tucked away in Siberia, there are furry, four-legged creatures with wagging tails and floppy ears that are as docile and friendly as any lapdog. But, despite appearances, these are not dogs—they are foxes. They are the result of the most astonishing experiment in breeding ever undertaken—imagine speeding up thousands of years of evolution into a few decades. In 1959, biologists Dmitry Belyaev and Lyudmila Trut set out to do just that, by starting with a few dozen silver foxes from Siberian fox farms and attempting to recreate the evolution of wolves into dogs in real time in order to witness the process of domestication. This is the extraordinary, untold story of this remarkable undertaking.

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Who was Vivian Maier? Many people know her as a reclusive Chicago nanny who wandered the city for decades, constantly snapping photographs, which were unseen until they were discovered in a seemingly abandoned storage locker. They revealed her to be an inadvertent master of twentieth-century American street photography. Not long after, the news broke that Maier had recently died and had no surviving relatives. Soon the whole world knew about her preternatural work, shooting her to stardom almost overnight.

As Pamela Bannos reveals in this meticulous and passionate biography, this story of the nanny savant has blinded us to Maier’s true achievements, as well as her intentions. Most important, Bannos argues, Maier was not a nanny who moonlighted as a photographer; she was a photographer who supported herself as a nanny. This authoritative and engrossing biography shows that the real story of Vivian Maier, a true visionary artist, is even more compelling than the myth.

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STEVEN VOGEL

Why the Wheel Is Round
Muscles, Technology, and How We Make Things Move

Biomechanist Vogel . . . succeeds once again in turning engineers, biologists and the general public onto the beauty, complexity and approachability of his field. He spins an 11-part tale of circular motion that ranges from rotation in biology to rotation driven by biology. Vogel captivates with discussions of engineering feats rooted in circular motion—from plodding horses turning shallow paddle wheels to gears that drive sixteenth-century reading machines—and doesn’t stint on his trademark puns and wordplay. Mixing findings in his own field with those from mechanics, dynamics and historical analysis, he creates a delightful perspective on the wonders of whirl. There is even a bonus chapter on how to make simple rotational models, including an entertaining but difficult-to-use drill. Let the good times roll.”—Nature

“Few, if any, engineering books can have started by encouraging the reader to go through a series of physical exercises in which they see how far they can twist their extended arm, turn their wrist and rotate their head. It may sound more like pilates than technology, but Why the Wheel Is Round takes us deep into the world of biomechanics—in essence how muscles pulling on bones allow us to carry out tasks and how biological materials like wood, horn and shell fit them for toolmaking.”—Engineering and Technology

Steven Vogel (1940–2015) was James B. Duke Professor Emeritus of biology at Duke University. His books include Cats’ Paws and Catapults, Glimpses of Creatures in Their Physical Worlds, and The Life of a Leaf, the last also published by the University of Chicago Press.
Cool. It was a new word and a new way to be, and in a single generation, it became the supreme compliment of American culture. *The Origins of Cool in Postwar America* uncovers the hidden history of this concept and its new set of codes that came to define a global attitude and style. As Joel Dinerstein reveals in this dynamic book, cool began as a stylish defiance of racism, a challenge to suppressed sexuality, a philosophy of individual rebellion, and a youthful search for social change.

Through eye-opening portraits of iconic figures, Dinerstein illuminates the cultural connections and artistic innovations among Lester Young, Humphrey Bogart, Robert Mitchum, Billie Holiday, Frank Sinatra, Jack Kerouac, Albert Camus, Marlon Brando, and James Dean, among others. We eavesdrop on conversations among Jean-Paul Sartre, Simone de Beauvoir, and Miles Davis, and on a forgotten debate between Lorraine Hansberry and Norman Mailer over the “white negro” and black cool. We come to understand how the cool worlds of Beat writers and Method actors emerged from the intersections of film noir, jazz, and existentialism. Out of this mix, Dinerstein sketches nuanced definitions of cool that unite concepts from African-American and Euro-American culture: the stylish stoicism of the ethical rebel loner; the relaxed intensity of the improvising jazz musician; the effortless, physical grace of the Method actor. To be cool is not to be hip, and to be hot is definitely not to be cool.

This is the first work to trace the history of cool during the Cold War by exploring the intersections of film noir, jazz, existential literature, Method acting, blues, and rock and roll. Dinerstein reveals that they came together to create something completely new—and that something is cool.

**Joel Dinerstein** is the author of three books on cool, including *American Cool* and *Coach: A Study of New York Cool*, as well as *Swinging the Machine*, a cultural history of technology and American music. He is professor of English at Tulane University.
“Into this polluted political atmosphere comes a different sort of academic. Inazu proposes a national cleanup effort to make our public life more pleasant and productive. . . . We should not downplay the stakes. Tolerance, humility and patience are not the ornaments of a democracy, they are its essence.”
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“Disagreeing with others, even passionately disagreeing with others, without rhetorically vaporizing them is actually part of what it means to live as citizens in a republic. The choice is co-existence with some degree of mutual respect—or the politics of resentment and disaffection, the politics of hate and de-humanization.”
—Commentary Magazine

In the three years since Donald Trump first announced his plans to run for president, the United States seems to have become more dramatically polarized and divided with each passing month. There are seemingly irresolvable differences in the beliefs, values, and identities of citizens across the country that too often play out in our legal system in clashes on a range of topics such as the tensions between law enforcement and minority communities. How can we possibly argue for civic aspirations like tolerance, humility, and patience in our current moment?

In Confident Pluralism, John D. Inazu analyzes the current state of the country, orient the contemporary United States within its broader history, and explores the ways that Americans can—and must—strive to live together peacefully despite our deeply engrained differences. Pluralism is one of the founding creeds of the United States—yet America’s society and legal system continue to face deep, unsolved structural problems in dealing with differing cultural anxieties and differing viewpoints. Inazu not only argues that it is possible to co-habitate peacefully in this country, but also lays out realistic guidelines for our society and legal system to achieve the new American dream through civic practices that value toleration over protest, humility over defensiveness, and persuasion over coercion.

With a new preface that addresses the election of Donald Trump, the decline in civic discourse after the election, the Nazi march in Charlottesville, and more, this new edition of Confident Pluralism is an essential clarion call during one of the most troubled times in US history. Inazu argues for institutions that can work to bring people together as well as political institutions that will defend the unprotected. Confident Pluralism offers a refreshing argument for how the legal system can protect peoples’ personal beliefs and differences and provides a path forward to a healthier future of tolerance, humility, and patience.

John D. Inazu is the Sally D. Danforth Distinguished Professor of Law and Religion at Washington University in St. Louis.
Paul Veyne

Palmyra
An Irreplaceable Treasure

Translated by Teresa Lavender Fagan

In this concise and elegiac book, Paul Veyne, one of Palmyra’s most important experts, offers a beautiful and moving look at the history of this significant lost city and why it was—and still is—important. Today, we can appreciate the majesty of Palmyra only through its pictures and stories, and this book offers a beautifully illustrated memorial to the lost city while serving as a lasting guide to a cultural treasure.

“An elegiac lament on the meaning for world history of this looted city. His short book describes how Palmyra, an oasis on the route across the north Syrian desert, around the turn of the common era became immensely wealthy as a staging post in the trade route from the Roman Empire to the Parthian Kingdom and the lands beyond as far as India and China. . . . Veyne’s account offers an excellent survey of the relationship between the city and the wider Roman Empire.”
—Times Literary Supplement

“Scarcely more than a page is explicitly dedicated to the Islamic State, but don’t be fooled. The Islamists’ destruction of Palmyra is the true subject of every word of the book. . . . Mr. Veyne’s book is propelled by an argument of luminous simplicity. . . . The final sentence of the book should be carved over the entrance to every school in the world: ‘Yes, without a doubt, knowing, wanting to know, only one culture—one’s own—is to be condemned to a life of suffocating sameness.’ . . . This is a book of passion and moral integrity that ought to be read by anyone with the slightest interest in the ancient world.”—Wall Street Journal

“A short, angry eulogy. . . . A colourful and very readable account of a city that thrived in the middle ground between political empires and cultural worlds, refocused on its recent destruction and on a single question: why?”—London Review of Books

Paul Veyne is a French archaeologist and historian and an honorary professor at the Collège de France. He is the author of several books in French as well as Did the Greeks Believe in Their Myths?, also published by the University of Chicago Press. Teresa Lavender Fagan is a freelance translator living in Chicago; she has translated numerous books for the University of Chicago Press and other publishers.
College students today feel more pressure than ever to succeed. Some who sailed through high school find themselves adrift as they face new demands with little support. Guidance from an experienced professor can steady the course of a student’s college career. Professor Charles Lipson has spent decades advising undergraduates and is an expert on student integrity. With new editions of three of his classic guides, all updated to address the digital academic world, Lipson continues to serve as a trusted mentor to thousands of college students around the world.

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Charles Lipson is professor emeritus at the University of Chicago, where he was the Peter B. Ritzma Professor in Political Science and the College.
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The Human Condition
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HANNAH ARENDT
With a New Foreword by Danielle Allen and an Introduction by Margaret Canovan

The past year has seen a resurgence of interest in the political thinker Hannah Arendt, “the theorist of beginnings,” whose work probes the logics underlying unexpected transformations—from totalitarianism to revolution.

A work of striking originality, The Human Condition is in many respects more relevant now than when it first appeared in 1958. In her study of the state of modern humanity, Hannah Arendt considers humankind from the perspective of the actions of which it is capable. The problems Arendt identified then—diminishing human agency and political freedom, the paradox that as human powers increase through technological and humanistic inquiry, we are less equipped to control the consequences of our actions—continue to confront us today. This new edition, published to coincide with the sixtieth anniversary of its original publication, contains Margaret Canovan’s 1998 introduction and a new foreword by Danielle Allen.

A classic in political and social theory, The Human Condition is a work that has proved both timeless and perpetually timely.

Hannah Arendt is widely considered one of the most important thinkers of the twentieth century. The University of Chicago Press also publishes her Lectures on Kant’s Political Philosophy and Love and Saint Augustine, as well as The Correspondence of Hannah Arendt and Gershom Scholem.

Economics for Humans
Second Edition
JULIE A. NELSON

At its core, an economy is about providing goods and services for human well-being. But many economists and critics preach that an economy is a cold and heartless system that operates outside of human control. In this impassioned and perceptive work, Julie A. Nelson asks a compelling question: given that our economic world is something that we as humans create, aren’t ethics and human relationships intrinsically part of the picture?

Economics for Humans argues against the well-ingrained notion that economics is immune to moral values and distant from human relationships. Here, Nelson locates the impediment to a more considerate economic world in an assumption that is shared by both neoliberals and the political left: both make use of the metaphor, first proposed by Adam Smith, that the economy is a machine.

This pervasive idea, Nelson argues, has blinded us to the qualities that make us work and care for one another—qualities that also make businesses thrive and markets grow. We can wed our interest in money with our justifiable concerns about ethics and social well-being. And we can do so if we recognize that an economy is not a machine, but a living thing in need of attention and careful tending.

This second edition has been updated and refined throughout, with expanded discussions of many topics and a new chapter that investigates the apparent conflict between economic well-being and ecological sustainability. Economics for Humans will continue to both invigorate and inspire readers to reshape the way they view the economy, its possibilities, and their place within it.

Julie A. Nelson is professor of economics at the University of Massachusetts Boston and a senior research fellow at the Global Development and Environment Institute of Tufts University.
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Superman: The Movie
The 40th-Anniversary Interviews
GARY BETTINSON

At a moment when superheroes dominate pop culture, Gary Bettinson takes us back to the first comic book blockbuster. Superman: The Movie takes us behind the scenes to reveal the personalities and expertise that went into making this landmark of Hollywood cinema.

Marking forty years since the film’s release, this book presents original interview transcripts with the cast and crew that serve as a rare insider account of an acclaimed blockbuster that was steeped in controversy throughout production, from a record-breaking budget to conflicts between the director and producers. The interviewees cast light on the daily realities on set, as well as on the film’s release and reception, talking with refreshing candor. Beginning with the film’s inception and continuing through its runaway success, Superman: The Movie provides valuable insights into the practical logistics and day-to-day realities of mounting a big-budget production, at a time when high-concept Hollywood blockbusters were only just emerging as a genre.

Gary Bettinson is senior lecturer in film studies at Lancaster University and editor-in-chief of the journal Asian Cinema.

Orphan Black
Performance, Gender, Biopolitics
Edited by ANDREA GOULET and ROBERT A. RUSHING

This book presents a groundbreaking exploration of the hit television series Orphan Black and the questions it raises for performance and technology, gender and reproduction, and biopolitics and community.

Contributors come from a range of backgrounds and explore the digital innovations and technical interactions between human and machine that allow the show to challenge conventional notions of performance and identity, address family themes, and Orphan Black’s own textual genealogy within the contexts of science, reproductive technology, and the politics of gender, and extend their inquiry to the broader question of community in a “posthuman” world of biopolitical power. Mobilizing philosophy, history of science, and literary theory, scholars analyze the ways in which Orphan Black depicts resistance to the many forms of power that attempt to capture, monitor, and shape life today.

Andrea Goulet is professor and graduate chair of French and francophone studies at the University of Pennsylvania. Robert A. Rushing is professor of Italian and comparative literature at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.
Deeply influenced by studies of female iconology, the medieval, the subconscious, and hybrid bodies, Faith Wilding’s art is instantly recognizable. In keeping with Wilding’s own artworks, this book is a bricolage: memoirs and watercolors sit alongside critical essays and family photographs to form an overall history of both Wilding’s life and works as well as the wider feminist art movement of the 1970s and beyond.

This collection spans fifty years of Wilding’s artistic production, feminist art pedagogy, and participation in, and instead offers a detailed portrait of graffiti as a rich urban culture with its own rules and practices. To do so, it examines the cultural history of graffiti in Philadelphia from the early 1970s onward and explores what it is like to be a graffiti writer in the city today. Ultimately, Tyson Mitman aims to humanize graffiti writers and to show that what they do is not merely destructive or puerile, but, rather, adds something important to the urban experience that is a conscious and deliberate act on the part of its practitioners.

Tyson Mitman is a lecturer in sociology and criminology at York St John University.
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Self Etc.
Edited by ROB LA FRENAIS

Anne Bean: Self Etc. is the first major monograph about the performance work of artist Anne Bean, a noted international figure who has been working actively since the 1960s. Part of the Intellect Live series, co-published with the Live Art Development Agency, this book includes extensive visual documentation of Bean’s performances, critical essays by leading scholars of art and performance, and a series of new visual essays by the artist. Additional contributions include documentation of collaborations with influential artists, such as Bean’s Drawn Conversations, made at Franklin Furnace, New York, in collaboration with Harry Kipper, Karen Finley, Kim Jones, and Fiona Templeton; and TAPS: Improvisations with Paul Burwell, involving numerous artists, including Paul McCarthy, Steven Berkoff, Evan Parker, Brian Catling, Carlyle Reedy, Rose English, David Toop, Lol Coxhill, Jacky Lansley, and Maggie Nicols. Lavishly illustrated and including previously unseen images, Anne Bean explores and expands the nature, form, and contexts that artistic collaboration can take.

Rob La Frenais is a curator and critic and a regular contributor to Art Monthly.

What’s Next?
Eco Materialism and Contemporary Art
LINDA WEINTRAUB

By paying tribute to matter, materiality, and materialization, the examples of contemporary art assembled in What’s Next? Eco Materialism and Contemporary Art challenge the social, cultural, and ethical norms that prevailed in the twentieth century. This significant frontier of contemporary culture is identified as Eco Materialism because it affirms the emergent philosophy of Neo Materialism and attends to the pragmatic urgency of environmentalism.

In this highly original book, Linda Weintraub surveys the work of forty international artists who present materiality as a strategy to convert society’s environmental neglect into responsible stewardship. These bold art initiatives, enriched by their associations with philosophy, ecology, and cultural critique, bear the hallmark of a significant new art movement. This accessible text, augmented with visuals, charts, and questionnaires, invites students and a wider readership to engage in this timely arena of contemporary art.

Linda Weintraub is an artist, curator, educator, and the author of several popular books about contemporary art.
The Music of Antônio Carlos Jobim

Antônio Carlos Jobim has been called the greatest of all contemporary Brazilian songwriters. He wrote both popular and serious music and was a gifted piano, guitar, and flute player. One of the key figures in the creation of the bossa nova style, Jobim’s music made a lasting impression worldwide, and many of his songs are now standards of the popular music repertoire.

Peter Freeman examines the music, philosophy, and circumstances surrounding the creation of Jobim’s popular songs, instrumental compositions, and symphonic works. Freeman attempts to elucidate not only the many musical influences that formed Jobim’s musical output, but also the stylistic peculiarities that were as much the product of a gifted composer as the rich musical environment and heritage that surrounded him.

Black and White Bioscope
Making Movies in Africa 1899 to 1925

Neil Parsons

Black and White Bioscope recovers a neglected chapter in the histories of world cinema and Africa. It tells the story of movie production in Africa that long predated the francophone African films and Nollywood that are the focus of most histories of this industry.

At the same time as Hollywood was starting, a film industry in Southern Africa was surging ahead in integrating production, distribution, and exhibition. African Film Productions Limited made silent movies using technical and acting talent from Britain, the United States, and Australia, as well as from Africa. These included not only the original “long trek movie” and the prototype for the movies Zulu and Zulu Dawn but also the first King Solomon’s Mines and the original Blue Lagoon, featuring African actors such as Goba, Tom Zulu, and Msoga Mwana, who starred as the black revolutionary in Prester John. In this lavishly illustrated book, fifty movies are reconstructed with graphic photographs and plot synopses—plus quotations from reviews—so that readers can rediscover this long-lost treasure trove of silent cinema.

Neil Parsons was professor of history at the University of Botswana between 1995 and 2009. He previously held positions at the Universities of Zambia and Swaziland, and at Botswana’s National Institute of Research and its National Museum. He is the author of King Khama, Emperor Joe, and the Great White Queen and Clicko the Wild Dancing Bushman, both published by the University of Chicago Press.
L.A. Chic
A Locational History of Los Angeles Fashion
SUSAN INGRAM and MARCUS REISENLEITNER
Los Angeles is undergoing a makeover. Leaving behind its image as all freeways and suburbs, sunshine and noir, it is reinventing itself for the twenty-first century as a walkable, pedestrian-friendly, ecologically healthy, and global urban hotspot of fashion and style, while driving initiatives to rejuvenate its downtown core, public spaces, and ethnic neighborhoods. By providing a locational history of Los Angeles fashion and style mythologies through the lens of institutions such as manufacturing, museums, and designers as well as through readings of contemporary film, literature, and new media, L.A. Chic provides an in-depth analysis of the social changes, urban processes, desires, and politics that inform how the good life is being re-imagined in Los Angeles.

Susan Ingram is associate professor and Markus Reisenleitner is professor in the Department of Humanities at York University.

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Yasuhiro Ishimoto
Someday, Chicago
JASMINE ALINDER and JOHN TAIN

This book examines the work of US-born photographer Yasuhiro Ishimoto (1921–2012) through its connections to Chicago, where he lived for more than a decade and returned to repeatedly throughout his life.

Long celebrated in Japan as one of the most influential photographers of the twentieth century, Ishimoto also maintained deep ties to his adopted home city of Chicago, where he arrived in 1945 after having been imprisoned in a US internment camp during World War II. It was in Chicago that he developed his uniquely modernist vision in two key ways. First, he created works that engaged in important conversation with that of Laszlo Moholy-Nagy, Harry Callahan, Aaron Siskind, and others at the historic Institute of Design. Second, he immersed himself directly in the city’s neighborhoods, where he captured important social changes reflective of broader shifts elsewhere in the United States.

This catalog—which accompanies an exhibition opening in September 2018 at the DePaul Art Museum—features both black-and-white and full-color reproductions of key works by Ishimoto, as well as in-depth essays by exhibition cocurators Jasmine Alinder and John Tain.

Jasmine Alinder is associate professor of history at the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee. John Tain is head of research at the Asia Art Archive, which follows a decade-long career as a curator of modern and contemporary art at the Getty Research Institute, Los Angeles.

Carrie Mae Weems
Strategies of Engagement
Edited by ROBIN LYDENBERG and ASH ANDERSON

Few American artists today are creating work as striking and politically charged as Carrie Mae Weems. Carrie Mae Weems: Strategies of Engagement explores a unique body of aesthetically powerful work that is particularly relevant in the context of current debates about social justice. In addition to acclaimed series by Weems dealing with historical archives, this catalogue for an exhibition at the McMullen Museum of Art, Boston College also features new photographs that address police violence. Strategies of Engagement highlights Weems’s relationship with her viewers, which is at once pedagogical, confrontational, and collaborative, thus encouraging ongoing debates about power and resistance, history and identity. Intellectually and ethically challenging, the works in Strategies of Engagement are also imbued with melancholy seriousness, playful wit, and unexpected flashes of hope, grace, and beauty.

Essays by a diverse collection of scholars analyze Weems’s use of performance and masquerade to reanimate lost histories and others focus on her transformative interventions in documentary photography and archives. The volume is rounded out by a panel discussion with Weems about the relationship between the arts and social change.

Robin Lydenberg is professor of English at Boston College. Ash Anderson teaches the history of photography at Boston College.
The Labyrinth of Tender Force
166 Love Stories
Translated by Wieland Hoban

No human quality is more necessary for survival than love. But while love has the power to lift us up with boundless joy, it has equal strength to crush us—it is easy to lose your way within love’s complex labyrinth of oppositions.

The Labyrinth of Tender Force collects 166 of Alexander Kluge’s love stories previously concealed among his vast library of more than 2,000 texts. “Basic stories” was what he once called them. Organized thematically, these stories take readers on a flight over the maps—the varied topography—of love. This flight ends on a high plateau, at the heart of the most beautiful romances and a cardinal text of modernity about the economy of relationships: Madame de La Fayette’s The Princess of Cleves.

The latest offering from one of the greatest living German writers, The Labyrinth of Tender Force masterfully explores the greatest peaks and the most dreadful crevasses of passionate love through an inspired combination of Kluge’s vignettes with drawings, photographs, and other archival material culled from diverse sources.

Alexander Kluge is one of the major German fiction writers of the late twentieth century and an important social critic. As a filmmaker, he is credited with the launch of the New German Cinema movement. Wieland Hoban is a British composer and a translator primarily of music-related, philosophical and literary texts.

Praise for Alexander Kluge

“More than a few of Kluge’s many books are essential, brilliant achievements. None are without great interest.”
—Susan Sontag

“Alexander Kluge, that most enlightened of writers.”
—W. G. Sebald

“Kluge’s genius is for exposing those little interruptions, those moments that escape totalizing systems, whether National Socialist or Stalinist.”
—Ben Lerner, Artforum

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ANSELM KIEFER and KLAUS DERMUTZ

Anselm Kiefer in Conversation with Klaus Dermutz

Translated by Tess Lewis

“I think in pictures. Poems help me with this. They are like buoys in the sea. I swim to them, from one to the other. In between, without them, I am lost. They are the handholds where something masses together in the infinite expanse.”—Anselm Kiefer

The only visual artist to have won the Peace Prize of the German Book Trade, Anselm Kiefer is a profoundly literary painter. In the ten conversations with the writer and theologian Klaus Dermutz collected here, Kiefer returns to the essential elements of his art, his aesthetics, and his creative processes.

Kiefer describes how the central materials of his art—lead, sand, water, fire, ashes, plants, clothing, oil paint, watercolor, and ink—influence the act of creation. No less decisive are his intellectual and artistic touchstones: the sixteenth-century Jewish mystic Isaac Luria, the German Romantic poet Novalis, Ingeborg Bachmann, Paul Celan, Martin Heidegger, Marcel Proust, Adalbert Stifter, the operas of Richard Wagner, the Catholic liturgy, and the innovative theater director and artist Tadeusz Kantor. Kiefer and Dermutz discuss all of these influential thinkers, as well as Kiefer’s own status as a controversial figure. His relentless examination of German history, the themes of guilt, suffering, communal memory, and the seductions of destruction have earned him equal amounts of criticism and praise. The conversations in this book offer a rare insight into the mind of a gifted creator, appealing to artists, critics, art historians, cultural journalists, and anyone interested in the visual arts and the literature and history of the twentieth century.

Anselm Kiefer is a painter, sculptor, and installation artist living and working in France. Klaus Dermutz is the author of numerous books. Tess Lewis’s numerous translations from French and German include works by Peter Handke, Jean-Luc Benoziglio, Kalus Merz, Hans Magnus Enzensberger, and Pascal Bruckner.
HANS MAGNUS ENZENSBERGER

Anarchy’s Brief Summer
The Life and Death of Buenaventura Durruti

Translated by Mike Mitchell

Northern Spain is the only part of Western Europe where anarchism played a significant role in political life of the twentieth century. Enjoying wide-ranging support among both the urban and rural working class, its importance peaked during its “brief summer”—the civil war between the Republic and General Franco’s Falangists, during which anarchists even participated in the government of Catalonia.

Anarchy’s Brief Summer brings anarchism to life by focusing on the charismatic leader Buenaventura Durruti (1896–1936), who became a key figure in the Spanish Civil War after a militant and adventurous youth. The basis of the book is a compilation of texts: personal testimony, interviews with survivors, contemporary documents, memoirs, and academic assessments. They are all linked by Enzenberger’s own assessment in a series of glosses—a literary form that is somewhere between retelling and reconstruction—with the contradiction between fiction and fact reflecting the political contradictions of the Spanish Revolution. On the trail of forgotten, half-suppressed struggles, Anarchy’s Brief Summer offers a unique portrait of a revolutionary movement that is largely unknown outside Spain.

Hans Magnus Enzensberger, often considered Germany’s most important living poet, is also the editor of the book series Die Andere Bibliothek and the founder of the monthly TransAtlantik. His books include Lighter Than Air: Moral Poems, and Civil Wars: From L.A. to Bosnia. Mike Mitchell is a translator from French and German.

Praise for Enzensberger

“Hans Magnus Enzensberger is one of Germany’s leading public intellectuals. . . . His early poetry, lyric verse with a strong political content, won him the Georg Buchner Prize and he is now widely regarded as Germany’s foremost living poet. Enzensberger is the most important postwar writer you have never read.”

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“A voice of ferocious urbanity, laying bare the horrors of the modern German state and resignedly picking out stark cameos of the human condition.”

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Yves Bonnefoy (1923–2016) is recognized as the greatest French poet of the past fifty years. By the time of his death, he had published eleven major collections of poetry in verse and prose, several books of tales, and numerous studies of literature and art. Hoyt Rogers translates works from French, German, Italian, and Spanish.
Science Fiktion

Translated by Andrew B. B. Hamilton and Claire Y. van den Broek

When a young reader once asked Franz Fühmann if he considered his work to be science fiction, he was quick to deny it: he wanted nothing to do with the genre. As he began writing the stories that make up this volume, however, he found himself coming around to the idea of a hybrid genre—what he calls in German Saiäns-Fiticschen, “science fiktion” with a k.

In seven interlocking stories, Science Fiktion offers a steampunk takedown of the logic of the Cold War. In this imagined future, two nations compete for global dominance: Uniterr, an exaggeration of the Eastern Bloc, in which personal freedom is curtailed and life regulated with cartoonish strictness; and Librotterr, in which the decadence of the West has been pushed beyond all reason. The stories follow three young citizens of Uniterr: Jirro, a young neutrinologist whose life is forever changed by a year spent abroad in Librotterr; Janno, a causologist condemned to a life of mediocrity in Uniterr’s bureaucracy for the briefest of impure thoughts; and Pavlo, an inventor and a drunkard, whose mind pushes against the limits of what his world allows. Through these three lives, Fühmann gradually unfolds the contours of their bizarre world in a master class of understated world making.

As the reader is swept up in the madness of Librotterr’s predator ads (which grab you on the street) and Uniterr’s mandatory mind readings, Fühmann’s dark comedy from the last century comes to seem all the more prescient in ours. A German twist on an Anglophone tradition, Science Fiktion provides a disturbing vision of the future from the other side of the Berlin Wall.

Franz Fühmann (1922–84) is one of modern Germany’s most fascinating literary figures, and the author of dozens of novels, short stories, essays, poems, ballets, and children’s books. Andrew B. B. Hamilton is visiting assistant professor of German at Bowdoin College and author of several works on modern German and Austrian literature. Claire Y. van den Broek is adjunct professor of literature at Southern New Hampshire University. Her previous translations include the work of Moroccan-Dutch authors Hafid Bouazza and Abdelkader Benali.

Praise for The Jew Car

“Fühmann is a gifted storyteller whose poetic prose and ironic tone are pitch perfect, especially in the earlier stories. . . . What comes through most strikingly in The Jew Car is the sense of rational isolation that surrounds the individual. Information is strictly mediated so that otherwise intelligent individuals lose any frame of reference or develop extreme responses to the continual routine of work and deprivation.”

—Joe Schreiber, roughghosts

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In these times of heartbreaking violence, clashing religions, and a seemingly never-ending narrative of dichotomy between East and West, wonder at the religion and culture of the Middle East can be in short supply. However, the lyrical and philosophical travel writing in Swiss poet Philippe Jaccottet’s *Calm Fire* rekindles it, lifting us out of our ordinary locales and stories of violent conflict in the Middle East. Jaccottet’s poetic descriptions explore the rich cultural worlds of Syria, Lebanon, Egypt, and Israel, giving us uncommon glimpses into countries so often associated with turmoil, death and destruction. Expressing a poet’s admiration for the ecstasies of faith and a philosopher’s skepticism of these seemingly transformative feelings, Jaccottet dives deep into the religious cultures of the places he visits.

Ultimately, whether in his native Swiss Alps or among the cedars of Lebanon, the same question pervades Philippe Jaccottet’s work: How should we live? More than a simple palliative to a depressing news cycle, *Calm Fire* captures a true sense of place by celebrating and pondering ways of life through the immersive experience of travel.

Born in Switzerland and a long-time resident of France, *Philippe Jaccottet* is a celebrated European poet. In 2014, Jaccottet’s collected writings were published in Gallimard’s prestigious Pléiade series. He has been awarded several European literary prizes, including the Grand Prix Suisse de littérature, the highest Swiss literary distinction. *John Taylor* has translated several French and Francophone poets, including, for Seagull Books, Catherine Colomb, Pierre Chappuis, and Georges Perros.
DOROTHEE ELMIGER

Shift Sleepers

Translated by Megan Ewing

Some deep in the European forest they meet. Frontier workers, smugglers, refugees, workers, asylum seekers, inspectors, artists, musicians, actors, journalists, scholarship holders, logisticians, students, and ghosts. They come from everywhere. They are all representatives of our time, and they have conversations about origins and justice; body and state; import and export; homeland and migration. They talk together about happiness, music, and death.

In *Shift Sleepers*, Swiss writer Dorothee Elmiger has produced a novel that sheds light on the controversial issues of our time, finding a new language for this conversation previously unheard in contemporary German literature.

Dorothee Elmiger is a Berlin-based Swiss writer. Her debut novel *Invitation to the Bold of Heart* received the Ingeborg Bachmann Prize and the Kelag Prize in 2010, and in 2015 she was awarded a Swiss Literature Award by the Federal Office of Culture and the Erich-Fried-Preis. Megan Ewing is a lecturer of German at the University of Michigan.

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Like stars in the sky, pixels may seem like tiny, individual points. But, when viewed from a distance, they can create elaborate images. Each pixel contributes to this array, but no individual point can create the whole. The thirty stories that comprise Krisztina Tóth’s book similarly produce an interconnected web. While each tale of love, loss, and failed self-determination narrates the sensuousness of an individual’s life, together, the thirty stories tell a more complicated tale of relationships. Circumstances that appear unrelated may converge in harmony or in heartbreak, just as the events that loom largest may fail to produce a longed-for outcome. These threads often determine the course of lives in unpredictable ways—sometimes comic, sometimes tragic, but rarely in the ways we originally anticipated.

Krisztina Tóth is a poet, writer, and translator living in Budapest. Owen Good is a translator and teacher at Péter Pázmány Catholic University in Budapest.
For a fifteen-year-old, falling in love can eclipse everything else in the world, and make a few short weeks feel like a lifetime of experience. In Love Writ Large, Navid Kermani captures those intense feelings, from the emotional explosion of a first kiss to the staggering loss of a first breakup. As his teenage protagonist is wrapped up in these all-consuming feelings, however, Germany is in the crosshairs of the Cold War—and even the personal dramas of a small-town grammar school are shadowed by the threat of the nuclear arms race. Kermani’s novel manages to capture these social tensions without sacrificing any of the all-consuming passion of a first love and, in a unique touch, sets the boy’s struggles within the larger frame of the stories and lives of numerous Arabic and Persian mystics. His becomes a timeless tale that reflects on the multiple ways love, loss, and risk weigh on our everyday lives.

Navid Kermani is an award-winning writer living in Cologne. Alexander Booth is a writer and translator living in Berlin.

Love Writ Large
NAVID KERMANI
Translated by Alexander Booth

How, in 1930, did Alfred Wegener, the son of minister from Berlin, find himself in the most isolated spot on earth, attempting to survive an unthinkably cold winter in the middle of Greenland? In All the Land, Jo Lendle sets out to chronicle Wegener’s extraordinary journey from his childhood in Germany to the most unforgiving corner of the planet.

As Lendle shows, Wegener’s life was anything but ordinary. Surrounded by children at the orphanage his parents ran, Wegener was driven by his scientific spirit in search not only of answers to big questions, but of solitude. Though Wegener’s life ended in tragedy during his long winter in Greenland, he left us with a scientific legacy: the theory of continental drift, mocked by his peers and only recognized decades after his death. Lendle gives us the story of this great adventurer, of the experiences that shaped him, resulting in a tale that is both thrilling and tender.

Jo Lendle is a German author and head of Hanser Verlag, Munich. Katy Derbyshire is a translator and coeditor of no man’s land, an online literary magazine of contemporary German writing in English.
The God behind the Window
MICHAEL KRÜGER
Translated by Karen Leeder and Peter Thompson

The thirteen stories of Michael Krüger’s *The God behind the Window* capture the poignancy and cynicism of late life through tales of misanthropic old men full of the mixture of wisdom and melancholy that so often accompanies old age. In Krüger’s stories, world-weary characters seek—and only temporarily find—solace in nature and culture, rendering their search for a better life simultaneously comedic and heart wrenching. From a solitary hiker in the Swiss Alps to the book’s eponymous shut-in, these aging malcontents are continually surprised by the unexpected interventions of a world that has come to seem predictable. Krüger captures this stage in life masterfully, contrasting the deeply personal emotions of affection, melancholy, and longing with an indifferent world. The resulting stories are lyrical, philosophical, and tender despite their cynicism.

Michael Krüger was the director of the Hanser Verlag from 1995 until his retirement in 2013. He has published many volumes of prose and poetry. Karen Leeder is a writer and translator. She teaches German at New College, Oxford. Peter Thompson is associate research fellow at the University of London.

A Cry in the Snow
STELLA VINITCHI RADULESCU
Translated by Luke Hankins

Stella Vinitchi Radulescu’s poetry dwells in spaces of paradox, seeking out the words, metaphors, and images that capture both the peaceful stillness of snow and the desperate cry of human experience. *A Cry in the Snow* often draws on these two fertile tropes: the beauty of nature and the power and limitations of language. A trilingual poet who has published in French, English, and her native Romanian, Radulescu seeks to harness the elemental aspects of human experience, working between language and the mysterious power of silence. Combining poems from two French-language collections, *Un Cri dans la neige (A Cry in the Snow)* and a poetic prose sequence, *Journal aux yeux fermés (Journal with Closed Eyes)*, this collection presents the distinctive and powerful French poems of Stella Vinitchi Radulescu to an English-language readership for the first time.

Stella Vinitchi Radulescu has published numerous books in the United States, France, Belgium, and Romania. Luke Hankins is a poet and translator. He is also the founder and editor of Orison Books, a nonprofit literary press.
In Winter Stories, Norwegian author Ingrid H. Rishøi gives us three contemporary tales about personal resilience in the face of adversity. We meet a teenager on the run from social services with her younger half-sister and half-brother in tow; a young single mother struggling to provide adequately for her daughter; and an ex-convict striving to overcome personal shortcomings and build a relationship with his son.

Driven by a fundamental need to secure and protect relationships with loved ones, Rishøi’s characters stumble, fall, and climb to their feet again—even though the deck inevitably seems to be stacked against them. Seemingly minor snags in their best-laid plans carry the risk of undermining everything with potentially life-altering consequences. What these stories illustrate, however, is how small victories and the unexpected compassion of virtual strangers can have a far-reaching and profound impact. With empathy and sensitivity, the poetic sensibility of Rishøi’s literary voice beautifully illuminates the fragile vulnerability of the human condition. In a time when the level of skepticism and distrust between people is rising, these stories remind us of the humanity that unites us all.

Ingrid H. Rishøi is the author of two collections of short stories and two books for children. Diane Oatley is an American writer, independent scholar, and translator.

Sickle

RUTH LILLEGRAVEN
Translated by May-Brit Akerholt

Norway. The 1800s. Endre must to take over the family farm from his father—his father, who swings the sickle and sharpens the scythe, and says this is the only way in which rocks and stones and mounts and waves can still be ours. But Endre is strange, he keeps to himself, unlike his brothers who are merry and full of joy. He wants to live in the farm without longing to leave, but he is struggling. Then he meets Abeline—“the bearer of light.” Tall and thin, always sitting with her books, sharper than all she went to school with, she is about to be a teacher. They appear to come from different worlds—one from the ancient, traditional, natural world; the other from the forward-looking world of modernity, of breaking away, and of renewal. But there is love—great and immediate. With new ideas and new languages, Abeline opens up the world of Endre—whose name means “change.” A novel written in lyrical verse, Ruth Lillegraven’s Sickle is an unforgettable evocation of longing and loss, of dreams and reality, and the importance of language itself.

Ruth Lillegraven has published a series of books for children and adults, including five poetry collections and the novel Between Us. Her first play, Cally, premiers at The Norwegian Theatre in Oslo in 2018. May-Brit Akerholt lives in Australia, where she is a recipient of a fellowship from the Theatre Board of Australia Council. She has lectured on theater at the National Institute of Dramatic Art, worked as a dramaturg and literary manager at Sydney Theatre Company, and has translated numerous plays, novels, and poetry collections.
The Rain-Maiden and the Bear-Man
and Other Stories
EASTERINE KIRE
Illustrated by Sunandini Banerjee

In Easterine Kire’s stories, the boundaries between magic and reality drift away, leaving us to marvel at simple yet fantastical folktales about human connection. The title story in this collection is about feeling trapped by other people’s definitions of who we are. The Bear-man finds love in the beautiful and compassionate Rain-maiden but thinks he would never be good enough for her. He concludes that if he reveals his true feelings she would ridicule him like everyone in his life has always done. He grows gruff and antisocial, believing that he could never find friendship—least of all, love.

The other stories in this collection represent oral narratives from the people of Nagaland in northeast India, stories shared privately around a glowing hearth—spirit stories that the narrators swear are true encounters. While “Forest Song,” “New Road,” “River and Earth Story,” and “The Man Who Lost His Spirit” were narrated to the author by local storytellers, “The Man Who Went to Heaven” and “One Day” are entirely based on Naga folktales. “The Weretigerman,” meanwhile, is woven around the pre-Christian Naga tradition of certain men becoming dual-souled with the tiger.

In these stories, illustrated in full color by graphic artist Sunandini Banerjee, Kire brings Nagaland come alive with her rich portrayal of both the natural and the spiritual world, which, to the Naga mind, harmoniously coexisted until the recent past.

Easterine Kire is a poet and novelist who has written several books, including A Quiet Matriarchy, Bitter Wormwood, A Respectable Woman, and When the River Sleeps.

The Glance of the Medusa
The Physiognomy of Mysticism
LÁSZLÓ F. FÖLDÉNYI
Translated by Jozefina Komporaly

In The Glance of the Medusa, László F. Földényi offers a mesmerizing examination of the rich history of European culture through the lens of mythology and philosophy. Embracing the best traditions of essay writing, this volume invites readers on a spiritual and intellectual adventure. The seven essays bear testimony to Földényi’s encyclopedic knowledge and ask whether it is possible to overcome our fear of passing away. In doing so, they illuminate moments of mystical experience viewed in a historical perspective while inviting readers to engage with such moments in the present by immersing themselves into the process of reading and thinking.

Rather than providing firm answers to burning questions, The Glance of the Medusa highlights the limits of definition, conjuring up situations in which Man partakes of unutterable experiences—such as passion, pleasure, fear, poetry, or disgust—suggesting that moments of ecstasy cannot be pinned down or captured, only drawn a little closer.

László F. Földényi is an author, translator, critic, and art theorist. He is professor and chair of the theory of art at University of Theatre, Film, and Television, Budapest. He is the author of some twenty books, and his works have been translated into fifteen languages. He lives in Budapest, Hungary. Jozefina Komporaly is a London-based translator and academic. She is the editor and co-translator of the critical anthologies Matéi Visniec and András Visky’s Barnack Dramaturgy.
**Understanding Theatre**

**MARCO DE MARINIS**

Over the past three decades, theater studies has undergone a radical worldwide development and renewal. This happened through two different yet complementary paths: the first (North American in origin) led to the birth of the discipline of performance studies; the second (European continental) is what Marco de Marinis calls “new theatrology.” New theatrology arises from the dialogue between theatre history and the humanities and social sciences, yet de Marinis also characterizes it by a strong experimental imprint resulting from a close and participatory relationship with theatrical practice and its players.

Marco de Marinis is a professor at the Institute of Communications and Theater at the University of Bologna. He is the author of several books, including *The Semiotics of Performance*, and the editor of *Versus*.

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**Everything**

**And Other Performance Texts from Germany**

**Edited by MATT CORNISH**

In *Everything: And Other Performance Texts from Germany*, Matt Cornish gathers texts drawn from performances by five of the most renowned theater collectives working today: andcompany&Co., Gob Squad, Rimini Protokoll, She She Pop, and Showcase Beat Le Mot. Drawn from theater events variously described as documentary, post-dramatic, and live art, the texts collected in *Everything* seldom look or read like plays—some comprise rules for improvisation; others could best be described as theatrical scenarios; a few are transcripts; one includes a soup recipe. Yet amid these dramaturgical tests and trials, one finds poetry: heartbreaking stories of disability and triumph as well as strange, disjointed fairy tales interrupted by communist songs.

This volume is an extension of the original theatrical experiments. For the reader, the texts are calls to action. They ask one to do things: watch the news, listen to music, make soup, and dance. While the groups do not mean for actors to repeat the words printed here, they invite the reader to adapt their ideas and rules to make their own entirely new productions.

Matt Cornish is assistant professor of theater history at Ohio University. He is the author of *Performing Unification: History and Nation in German Theater after 1989*.
Dangerous Outcast
The Prostitute in Nineteenth-Century Bengal
SUMANTA BANERJEE

Dangerous Outcast traces prostitution in Bengal from precolonial times through the arrival of the British, examining how the profession was reordered to suit British desires. Drawing on nineteenth-century popular and folk culture, Sumanta Banerjee also makes impressive use of both standard archival records and a surprisingly substantial body of writing by prostitutes themselves, including voices often cast out of the historical record.

Sumanta Banerjee is a cultural historian who specializes in research into popular culture, particularly of the British colonial period.

The Parlour and the Street
Elite and Popular Culture in Nineteenth-Century Calcutta
SUMANTA BANERJEE

In this book, Sumanta Banerjee analyzes the development of the folk culture of Calcutta’s urban poor following the establishment of the British colonial system in Bengal. Consisting primarily of traditional artisans who migrated from neighboring villages, Calcutta’s working-class forged a new urban folk culture from their rural inheritance. Through rich examples of folk performances, Banerjee shows a clash between the culture of the new urban poor and the elite of Calcutta, caught between their aspiration to British social norms and their roots in Bengali society.

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Logic in a Popular Form
Essays on Popular Religion in Bengal
SUMANTA BANERJEE

Taking its title from Karl Marx’s description of religion as the world’s “logic in a popular form,” this book explores the hidden rationality behind popular religions in nineteenth-century Bengal. Sumanta Banerjee explains that Bengali myths were fluid, adapting to changes introduced by colonization, urbanization, and nationalism to explain and document a world in flux. Ultimately, he shows, these myths challenged mainstream faiths bound by rigid doctrines.

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One of the foremost thinkers of his generation, Furio Jesi began to publish scholarly essays in academic journals at the age of fifteen. By the time of his early death in 1980, he had accumulated a body of work that astonished with its abundance and diversity, its depth and scope, and, above all, for its unfailing rigor and brilliance.

In *Time and Festivity*, Andrea Cavalletti collects Jesi’s finest essays, ranging from his groundbreaking work on myth and politics to his reflections on time, festivity, and revolt. He explores the significance of texts by Rimbaud, Rilke, Lukács, and Pavese and the mythological language of the biblical story of Susanna. Carefully annotated and referenced, and enriched by a first-person account of Jesi’s intellectual biography, *Time and Festivity* provides a precious guide to the methodology and approach at the core of Jesi’s thought, displaying how his personal, vitally intense *via negativa* might in fact originate from his early statement: “All I have ever written is poetry.”

**Furio Jesi** (1941–80) was an Italian writer, translator, mythologist, and Germanist. A correspondent of Thomas Mann and Károly Kerényi, he worked on a number of studies of Egyptian and classical mythology, culminating in his book *Secret Germany*. **Andrea Cavalletti** is professor of aesthetics and contemporary literature at the IUAV University of Venice. He is the author of *Suggestion* and *The Biopolitical City*. **Cristina Viti** is a poet and translator.

Writing in 2007, French social philosopher André Gorz was remarkably prophetic, foretelling the international economic meltdown of 2008: “The real economy is becoming an appendage of the speculative bubbles sustained by the finance industry—until that inevitable point when the bubbles burst, leading to serial bank crashes and threatening the global system of credit with collapse and the real economy with a severe, prolonged depression.” This prescient article appears in *Ecologica* alongside many of Gorz’s late writings and interviews. *Ecologica* is a final distillation of his work and thought, a guide to the survival of our planet. Its sweeping analysis spans scales, commenting in equal measure on the consumerist desires of individuals and political structures driven by capitalism that risk destroying the planet. Gorz gives us the analysis and the strategy to build a new future.

**André Gorz** (1923–2007) was an Austrian and French social philosopher. **Chris Turner** is a writer and translator based in Birmingham, England.
Italian philosopher Giorgio Agamben is the rare writer whose ideas and works have a broad appeal across many fields, and his devoted fans are not just philosophers, but readers of political and legal theory, sociology, and literary criticism as well. In March 2009, Agamben was invited to speak in Paris’ Notre-Dame Cathedral in the presence of the Bishop of Paris and a number of other high-ranking church officials. His resulting speech, a stunningly lucid and provocative look at the history and state of the Church and its role in society, is presented here. The Church and the Kingdom is at once a pointed attack on the institutional structure of the Catholic Church and a theoretical excursus on the concepts of messianic time and economy.

Presenting an exegesis of certain key passages in the New Testament, Agamben examines the philology and philosophy at the root of the Church and of its earthly reign. With its examinations of the foundational texts of the Church, which are also the foundational texts of our modern idea of economy, The Church and the Kingdom reveals significant connections and parallel ideologies which are imperative to understanding the current global situation.

This edition of Agamben’s text is accompanied by photographs by artist Alice Attie. Made from folded and twisted reproductions of paintings culled from Christian iconography, these works of art evoke the restless challenge that well-characterizes Agamben’s four decades of philosophy and critique. This book will be welcomed by Agamben’s many readers across the disciplines.

Giorgio Agamben is the author of more than fifteen books on topics ranging from aesthetics to poetics, ontology to political philosophy. He is best known for his Homo Sacer series. He recently retired from the Università Iuav di Venezia. Leland de la Durantaye is the Gardner Cowles Associate Professor of English at Harvard University. He is the author of Style is Matter: The Moral Art of Vladimir Nabokov and Giorgio Agamben: A Critical Introduction.
One night in the middle of winter, as deep snow covers the mountains and forests, a doctor is crossing the ridge in Austria from Traich to Föding to see a patient. He stumbles over a body in the darkness and fears it is a corpse. But it’s not a corpse at all. In fact, it’s wooden-legged Victor Halfwit, collapsed, but still very much alive. So begins this dark and comic tale by celebrated Austrian playwright, novelist, and poet Thomas Bernhard.

“The feeling grows that Thomas Bernhard is the most original, concentrated novelist writing in German. His connections . . . with the great constellation of Kafka, Musil, and Broch become ever clearer.”—George Steiner, Times Literary Supplement

Thomas Bernhard grew up in Salzburg and Vienna, where he studied music. In 1957, he began a second career as a playwright, poet, and novelist. He went on to win many of the most prestigious literary awards of Europe. Martin Chalmers is a translator and editor whose translations include works by Hubert Fichte, Ernst Weiss, Herta Müller, Alexander Kluge, Emine Sevgi Özdamar, and Erich Hackl.
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HANS MAGNUS ENZENSBERGER

A History of Clouds
99 Meditations

Translated by Martin Chalmers and Esther Kinsky

In these ninety-nine meditations, poet and novelist Hans Magnus Enzensberger celebrates the tenacity of the normal and routine in everyday life, where the survival of the objects we use without thinking—a pair of scissors, perhaps—is both a small, human victory and a quiet reminder of our own ephemeral nature. He sets his quotidian reflections against a broad historical and political backdrop: the Cold War and its accompanying atomic threat; the German student revolt; would-be socialism in Cuba, China, and Africa; and World War II as experienced by the youthful poet.

Enzensberger’s poems are conversational, skeptical, and serene; they culminate in the extended set of observations that gives the collection its title. Clouds, alien and yet symbols of human life, are for Enzensberger at once a central metaphor of the Western poetic tradition and “the most fleeting of all masterpieces.” “Cloud archaeology,” writes Enzensberger, is “a science for angels.”

Hans Magnus Enzensberger, often considered Germany’s most important living poet, is also the editor of the book series Die Andere Bibliothek and the founder of the monthly TransAtlantik. His books include Lighter Than Air: Moral Poems and Civil Wars: From L.A. to Bosnia. Martin Chalmers is a translator and editor whose translations include works by Hubert Fichte, Ernst Weiss, Herta Mueller, Alexander Kluge, Emine Sevgi Oezdamar, and Erich Hackl. Esther Kinsky is a literary translator and the author of the novel Sommerfrische. She has translated poetry by Angelus Silesius, Else Lasker-Schuler, and Wolf Wondratschek, among others.
Pablo Picasso and Gertrude Stein. Few can be said to have had as broad an impact on European art in the twentieth century as these two cultural giants. Pablo Picasso, a pioneering visual artist, created a prolific and widely influential body of work. Gertrude Stein, an intellectual tastemaker, hosted the leading salon for artists and writers between the wars in her Paris apartment, welcoming Henri Matisse, Ernest Hemingway, and Ezra Pound to weekly events at her home to discuss art and literature. It comes as no surprise, then, that Picasso and Stein were fast friends and frequent confidantes. Through Picasso and Stein’s casual notes and reflective letters, this volume of correspondence between the two captures Paris both in the golden age of the early twentieth century and in one of its darkest hours, the Nazi occupation through mentions of dinner parties, lovers, work, and the crises of the two world wars. Illustrated with photographs and postcards, as well as drawings and paintings by Picasso, this collection captures an exhilarating period in European culture through the minds of two artistic greats.

Pablo Picasso (1881–1973) was one of the greatest figures of twentieth-century art. Gertrude Stein (1874–1946) was a writer and art critic and one of the first collectors of cubist art. Laurence Madeline is curator of the Musée Picasso in Paris, and custodian of the Picasso Archives. Lorna Scott Fox is a journalist, critic, and translator based in London.
Hungarian Imre Kertész was awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature in 2002 for “writing that upholds the fragile experience of the individual against the barbaric arbitrariness of history.” His conversation with literary historian Thomas Cooper that is presented here speaks specifically to this relationship between the personal and the historical.

In *The Holocaust as Culture*, Kertész recalls his childhood in Buchenwald and Auschwitz and as a writer living under the so-called soft dictatorship of communist Hungary. Reflecting on his experiences of the Holocaust and the Soviet occupation of Hungary following World War II, Kertész likens the ideological machinery of National Socialism to the oppressive routines of life under communism. He also discusses the complex publication history of *Fateless*, his acclaimed novel about the experiences of a Hungarian child deported to Auschwitz, and the lack of interest with which it was initially met in Hungary due to its failure to conform to the communist government’s simplistic history of the relationship between Nazi occupiers and communist liberators. The underlying theme in the dialogue between Kertész and Cooper is the difficulty of mediating the past and creating models for interpreting history, and how this challenges ideas of self.

The title *The Holocaust as Culture* is taken from that of a talk Kertész gave in Vienna for a symposium on the life and works of Jean Améry. That essay is included here, and it reflects on Améry’s fear that history would all too quickly forget the fates of the victims of the concentration camps. Combined with an introduction by Thomas Cooper, the thoughts gathered here reveal Kertész’s views on the lengthening shadow of the Holocaust as an ever-present part of the world’s cultural memory and his idea of the crucial functions of literature and art as the vessels of this memory.

*Imre Kertész* (1929–2016), born of Jewish descent in Budapest, was deported to Auschwitz in 1944 and from there to Buchenwald, from where he was liberated in 1945. *Thomas Cooper* has translated works of poetry and prose by many contemporary Hungarian authors.
NIKOLAI BUKHARIN (1888–1938), an original Bolshevik leader and a founder of the Soviet state, spent the last year of his life imprisoned by Stalin, awaiting a trial and eventual execution. Remarkably during that time, from March 1937 to March 1938, Bukharin wrote four book-length manuscripts by hand in his prison cell. Seventy years later, The Prison Poems is the last of the four prison manuscripts, which include How It All Began: The Prison Novel and Socialism and Its Culture, to be published, allowing readers to grasp Bukharin’s vision in its full extent.

Bukharin organized the nearly 180 poems in this volume, written from June to November 1937, into several series. One dealing with forerunners to the 1917 Russian Revolution and another focusing on the Russian Civil War contain commentary not found in the other prison manuscripts. The same is true of the “Lyrical Intermezzo” poems for and about Anna Larina, his young wife, from whom he was separated by his imprisonment.

NIKOLAI BUKHARIN was a leading critic of Stalinism beginning in the late 1920s. In 1988, 50 years after Bukharin’s execution, the verdict was reversed and his name cleared by the Soviet Supreme Court. George Shriver has translated and edited Roy Medvedev’s On Soviet Dissent, The October Revolution, and Let History Judge. He is also the translator of Bukharin’s How It All Began: The Prison Novel, and Socialism and Its Culture.
In this collection of conversations that were conducted in Calcutta, at the London School of Economics, through Jewish Book Week, and on the radical website openDemocracy, internationally renowned Jewish scholar Jacqueline Rose explores the debates that have fueled her writing and thinking over three decades. Drawn out by her interlocutors, Rose discusses the difference between political and sexual identity and inquiries whether psychoanalysis can be considered a radical form of thought that can be used fruitfully in dialogue about political struggle. Most significantly—since each of these conversations were sparked by her recent and controversial writing on Zionism, Israel, and Palestine—Rose reflects on the role of Jewish dissent in our time. In these conversations, Rose appears courageous, passionate, ethical, and never afraid to engage politically on issues that are of human concern in the ongoing Middle and Near East crisis.

“The miracle of Jacqueline Rose is that she combines textual criticism with concrete political struggles in a brilliant way.”

—Slavoj Žižek

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Conversations with Jacqueline Rose
ANTONY LERMAN, HENRIETTA MOORE, STEPHEN FROSH, SUPRIYA CHAUDHURI, and AVEEK SEN

In these three short books—Servabo: A Fin De Siècle Memoir, Miss Kirchgessner, and The Medlar Tree, collected in one volume in English for the first time—Luigi Pintor retraces a life marked, often in spite of itself, by politics. At once intransigent and ironic, these autobiographical texts are written “to reorder in the imagination things that don’t add up in reality.”

From the idyll of his Sardinian childhood to the transformative experience of the anti-Fascist resistance, and from post-war militancy to the dismal regression of Italian culture, Pintor captures memories that are intensely personal and inseparable from political and intellectual experience. Episodes and observations recur across all three books, but the tropes of autobiography are insistently displaced. Sparse and evocative prose, borrowing from the aphorism and fable, struggles to give form to personal and political despair, while Pintor never relents on the attachments and convictions that shape a life.

“His sense of humour, the clarity of his writing and his polemical vigour set Pintor apart from others.”

—Guardian

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Memories from the Twentieth Century
LUIGI PINTOR
Translated by Gregory Elliot
Edited and with an Introduction by Alberto Toscano

Luigi Pintor (1925–2003) was cofounder of the independent communist newspaper il Manifesto and one of Italy’s foremost political journalists. Gregory Elliot is an independent translator and writer whose most recent translation is Luc Boltanski and Eve Chiapello’s The New Spirit of Capitalism.
In the timeless kingdom of Mapungubwe, the royal sculptor had two sons, Chata and Rendani. As they grew, so grew their rivalry—and their extraordinary talents. But while Rendani became a master carver of the animals that run in the wild hills and lush valleys of the land, Chata learned to carve fantastic beings from his dreams, creatures never before seen on the Earth.

DeLillo—who have been important to him as both a reader and an author. At the heart of the text, like a brightly lit room in a field of debris, stands Vladislavic’s Loss Library itself, the shelves laden with books that have never been written. On the page, Vladislavic tells us, every loss may yet be recovered.

An extraordinary book about both the nature of novels and the process of writing, The Loss Library will appeal to anyone seeking to understand the almost magical and mythical experience of breathing life into a new work of fiction.

Ivan Vladislavic is the author of The Folly, The Restless Supermarket, The Exploded View and Double Negative.
**The Shadow-Boxing Woman**

In *The Shadow-Boxing Woman*, a novel from German writer Inka Parei, a decaying apartment building in post-Wall Berlin is home to Hell, a young woman with a passion for martial arts. When Hell’s neighbor disappears she sets out across the city in search of the woman. In the course of her quest, she falls in love with a bank robber, confronts her own dark memories, and ends up saving more than just her missing neighbor.

What is on the surface a crime novel is actually a haunting dual portrait of a city and a woman caught up in times of change and transition. This debut novel in English combines Parei’s tight prose with a compulsive delight in detail that dynamically evokes many lost and overlooked corners of Berlin.  

**Praise for the German Edition**

“Parei has written a wonderfully cruel metropolitan novel.”—*Der Spiegel*

“A brilliant achievement!”—*Süddeutsche Zeitung*

Inka Parei was born in Frankfurt and moved to Berlin in 1987, where she studied German literature and Chinese studies. She now lives in Prenzlauer Berg with her son, writing and tutoring emerging literary talents. She is also the author of *Was Dunkelheit War*. Katy Derbyshire is a Berlin-based translator from London.

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**Invitation to the Bold of Heart**

In *Invitation to the Bold of Heart*, the debut novel by Swiss writer Dorothee Elmiger, are the last remaining youth of this vanishing town. Their inheritance is nothing but an abandoned swathe of land ruled by devastation. But the sisters won’t accept this state of affairs—they set out on an expedition, determined to piece together the fragments of their family history. Only by learning their own story can they look to the future with hope. When they rediscover a long-forgotten river, Margaret and Fritzi can sense a new life ahead. *Invitation to the Bold of Heart* is a startling dystopian tale of hope and exploration and a testament to the timeless need of youth to rebel against authority.

**Praise for the German Edition**

“The reader, too, gets to be at the mercy of this text—I myself turned into an echo chamber when I read it.”—Hildegard Elisabeth Keller, author of *My Secret Is Mine: Studies on Religion and Eros in the German Middle Ages*

Dorothee Elmiger is a Berlin-based Swiss writer. This, her first novel, won the Aspekte Prize and the Laurus Literature Prize, among others. Katy Derbyshire is a Berlin-based translator from London.

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116 Seagull Books
In contemporary Norwegian fiction Tomas Espedal’s work stands out as uniquely personal; it can be difficult to separate the fiction from Espedal’s own experiences. In that vein, his novel Against Art is not just the story of a boy growing up to be a writer, but it is also the story of writing. Specifically, it is about the profession of writing—the routines, responsibility, and obstacles. Yet, Against Art is also about being a father, a son, and a grandson; about a family and a family’s tales, and about how preceding generations mark their successors. It is at once about choices and changes, about motion and rest, about moving to a new place, and about living.

Praise for the Norwegian Edition

“One of the most beautiful, most important books I’ve read for years.”
—Klassekampen

“Espedal has written an amazingly rich novel, which will assuredly stand out as one of the year’s best and will also further fortify the quality of Norwegian literature abroad.”—Adressenwise

Tomas Espedal is the author of several novels and prose collections, including Tramp, also published by Seagull Books. James Anderson’s literary translations from the Norwegian include Berlin Poplars by Anne B. Ragde, Nutmeg by Kristin Valla, and several books by Jostein Gaarder.

Mohsen Makhmalbaf is an Iranian filmmaker, playwright, and novelist. He and his family, all filmmakers in their own right, currently live in Paris and make their films in India, Afghanistan, and Tajikistan. Hamid Dabashi is a professor at Columbia University and the author of many books and essays on cinema.

Born in Tehran in 1957, filmmaker Mohsen Ostad Ali Makhmalbaf grew up in the religious and politically charged atmosphere of the 1960s, and the June 1963 uprising of Ayatollah Khomeini constitutes one of his earliest memories. In 1972, Makhmalbaf formed his own urban guerrilla group and two years later attacked a police officer, for which he was arrested and jailed. He remained incarcerated until 1978, when the revolutionary wave led by Ayatollah Khomeini freed him and launched his career as a writer and self-taught filmmaker. Since then, Makhmalbaf has gone on to make such highly admired films as Gabbeh and The Silence.
“Everyone is free here. . . . The cities are open. They are open to the world and to the future. That is what gives them all an air of adventure; and . . . a kind of touching beauty.” So wrote the French philosopher Jean-Paul Sartre on a 1945 trip to the United States during which he crossed the country and dove deep into the soul of the American city. In this new volume, Sartre’s reflections on the distinctly American quality of cities in the United States are accompanied by Pedro Meyer’s photographs of American cities, offering similarly sharp insights, but through a different historical lens: that of the late eighties and early nineties. Together, the photographs and essays articulate the enduring essence of American urban existence—its relationship with time, with labor and humanity, and with the open spaces emblematic of America.

Pedro Meyer is one of the pioneers of contemporary photography and was an early leader in its digital revolution. Jean-Paul Sartre (1905–80) was a novelist, playwright, and biographer, and is widely considered one of the greatest philosophers of the twentieth century. Chris Turner is a writer and translator who lives in Birmingham, England.

Akira Kurosawa (1910–88) is regarded as one of the most important and influential filmmakers in the history of cinema, having directed thirty films in a career spanning fifty-seven years. Akira Kurosawa: A Life in Film re-appraises his creative work through the prism of his film posters. Through this brilliantly simple approach, Leslie Megahey, Martin Bridgewater, and Bruce Marchant have selected and reproduced ninety film posters from the Martin Bridgewater collection that—besides being beautiful in their own right—offer a fascinating level of interpretation on Kurosawa’s films. In addition, Megahey, who interviewed Kurosawa for the BBC documentary, contributes twelve chapters that explore key aspects of his life and films. Megahey looks at issues such as artistic freedom in occupied Japan after World War II; the impact of world fame on Kurosawa’s work; his major collaborators and actors; his middle years and personal problems of the era; and, finally, his greatest achievements.

Beautifully produced, with full-color posters and ephemera from Japan, the Americas, Western and Eastern Europe, this book offers a spectacular vision of Kurosawa’s films and a long-awaited reappraisal of his enduring work.

Leslie Megahey is a film director, writer, and former British television producer. He visited Akira Kurosawa at his home in 1985 and filmed an extended interview for BBC TV. Martin Bridgewater has been collecting original film posters since the mid-1990s and building up his specialist Kurosawa collection since 1998. Bruce Marchant is the owner of the Reel Poster Gallery in London and has been instrumental in advising clients on forming and archiving their collections.
Paper Dolls
HORMAZD NARIELWALLA

Carving out his unique place on the contemporary art scene as a master puppeteer, Hormazd Narielwalla has instilled new life into paper shapes from the past. Paper Dolls collects Narielwalla’s signature abstract collage artworks on vintage sewing patterns, alongside a set of figurative self-portraits in which Narielwalla casts himself as a mysterious Geisha. Inspired by an encounter in the streets of London’s fashionable Soho district, the artist is lured into a journey of self-exploration. He brings us along for the journey, as he conjures up paper dolls, hidden gardens, people, and portraits. Uniquely beautiful, Paper Dolls explores rich layers of meaning in paper through thirty of Narielwalla’s symbolically sublime abstract patterns.

Hormazd Narielwalla is a London-based artist who works in collage. His latest series is “Lost Gardens,” an exploration of the notions of culture and migration, commissioned and currently exhibited by Southbank Centre in London.

Physical Poetry Alphabet
Starring Erika Lemay
FRANÇOISE and DOUGLAS KIRKLAND

Physical Poetry Alphabet is a photography book, a celebration of design, and a movie—all rolled into one and presented in an exuberant and lush book. One of the doyens of portrait photography in Hollywood, Douglas Kirkland works together with Françoise Kirkland to create a modern-day abecedarium: the inimitable acrobatic sky dancer Erika Lemay, Milanese fashion director Simone Guidarelli, and designer William Thoren. Their playful creation harks back to the corporeal origins of the alphabet, echoing similar exercises in Western culture from the Renaissance to the great works of Art Deco. Besides Douglas Kirkland’s impeccable photography, we get a backstage peek at the making of these images, alongside essays by Lemay and the creative team. The book also contains an introduction by book designer and typographer Ornan Rotem on the development of the alphabet and the relationship between the human body and letters. Beautifully produced with stunning illustrations, Physical Poetry Alphabet will appeal to anyone interested in design and photography.

Françoise Kirkland is a French publicist and agent. Douglas Kirkland is a Canadian-born American photographer who has worked extensively in fashion and motion picture industry. His work has been exhibited worldwide with a recent retrospective at Rome’s MAXXI.
At its most basic, philosophy is about learning how to think about the world around us. It should come as no surprise, then, that children make excellent philosophers! Naturally inquisitive, pint-size scholars need little prompting before being willing to consider life’s big questions, however strange or impractical. Plato & Co. introduces children—and curious grown-ups—to the lives and work of famous philosophers, from Socrates to Descartes, Einstein, Marx, Freud, and Wittgenstein. Each book in the series features an engaging—and often funny—story that presents basic tenets of philosophical thought alongside vibrant color illustrations.

In *Lao-Tzu, or The Way of the Dragon*, we follow the ancient Chinese philosopher who founded Taoism, from the comet that announced his birth up to his inspired composition, more than fifty years later, of the *Tao Te Ching*, the Book of the Way. In body and mind an old sage from birth, Lao-Tzu devotes his life to deciphering the endless book of the world. But he soon becomes frustrated with the silliness of human order, impatient kings, and greedy people, and rides off on the back of a water buffalo in search of the Way. He encounters clouds that solidify under his feet, a cave guarded by a golden monkey, and the venerable Confucius himself, and ultimately finds the wisdom of the dragon already residing deep in his own heart.

“Where existing philosophy books for children typically focus on surveys of ideas or broad historical overviews, Plato & Co. takes a more ‘storied’ approach . . . aiming to teach a philosophical theory through the experience of reading a traditional picture book.”—Publishers Weekly

*Miriam Henke* studied Chinese literature and has traveled extensively in Asia. She is now a translator living in Paris. *Jordan Lee Schnee* is a writer, translator, and musician based in Berlin.
When a meteor crashes into greaser Rockabilly’s backyard, a ripple of strange events ensues. The tattoo of a pin-up girl on his back comes to life and begins to exert her murderous control over the suburb in which he lives. His precocious teenage neighbor Suicide Girl begins spontaneously lactating, and her pet lizard goes missing. A disturbed neighbor begins to pace the block to quiet his unseemly thoughts. Meanwhile, the neighborhood dog, Bones, suddenly able to think human thoughts, begins to hatch a plan.

With economic language and well-crafted timing, Rockabilly leads us on a hair-raising journey, artfully deconstructing archetypes of suburban America. Taking us past garish lights of strip malls and empty strips of desert, this dystopian novel presents a unique take on trash aesthetics, the philosophy of tattoo art, and American pop culture.
Dance of Values
Sergei Eisenstein’s Capital Project
ELENA VOGRAM

Sergei Eisenstein’s cinematic adaptation of Karl Marx’s Capital was never realized, yet it has haunted the imagination of many filmmakers, historians, and philosophers to the present day. Dance of Values aims to conjure the phantom of Eisenstein’s Capital, presenting for the first time material from the full scope of the film project’s archival body. This “visual instruction in the dialectical method,” as Eisenstein called it, comprises more than five hundred pages of notes, drawings, press clippings, diagrams, negatives, theoretical reflections, and extensive quotations. Dance of Values explores the internal formal necessity underlying Eisenstein’s artistic choices, and argues that its brilliant adaptation of Marx’s Capital relied on the fragmentary and nonlinear state of its material. Published here for the first time, sequences from Eisenstein’s archival materials are presented in this volume not as mere illustrations but as arguments in their own right, a visual theorization of value.

Elena Vogman is a postdoctoral fellow at the Institute of General and Comparative Literature at the Free University of Berlin and a freelance curator.

Reiner Schürmann (1941–93) was a theologian and priest who went on to become professor of philosophy at the New School for Social Research in New York. Malte Fabian Rauch is an art theorist, philosopher, and translator based in Berlin. Nicolas Schneider is a translator, editor, and philosopher based in Brussels.

This volume tracks the crucial role of Reiner Schürmann’s engagement with the work of Michel Foucault between 1983 and 1991. Drawing on Foucault’s highly original reading of the philosophical tradition, Schürmann traces the status of identity and difference in Foucault’s conception of history to develop a radical phenomenological understanding of anarchy. He examines the fate of philosophy after the critique of the subject and the collapse of the divide between theory and practice, philosophy and politics.

Taken together, these pivotal essays introduce the reader to Schürmann’s most urgent concerns and assemble the conceptual tools that would go on to lay the groundwork for his final work, Broken Hegemonies, which offers a subversive rereading of the history of Western metaphysics outside of Foucault’s genealogical approach. This essay collection documents a crucial shift in Schürmann’s philosophy that helped to establish him as one of the most radical thinkers of the late twentieth century.
Neolithic Childhood
Art in a False Present, c. 1930
Edited by ANSELM FRANKE and TOM HOLERT

After the disaster of the First World War, the artistic avant-gardes in Europe and beyond reacted to the crisis of almost everything, from the barbarism of technological mass warfare to the hypocrisies of colonial discourse. In 1929, driven by this despair over the present and the pressing need to alter humanity, Carl Einstein and Georges Bataille cofounded the magazine Documents, which offered a comprehensive glossary for a new modernity. Terms like “autonomy,” “hallucination,” “metamorphosis,” and “primitive” helped to reestablish European civilization for artists after the war and to reconceptualize the very notion of origins.

Anselm Franke is head of the Department of Visual Arts and Film at Haus der Kulturen der Welt and a coeditor of Nervous Systems and The Whole Earth: California and the Disappearance of the Outside. Tom Holert is an art historian, cultural theorist, and artist based in Berlin and honorary professor at the Academy of Fine Arts in Vienna.

Scripted Culture
Digitalization and the Cultural Public Sphere
Edited by RUEDI WIDMER and INES KLEESATTEL

When we look at the cultural public sphere through the lens of digitalization, a paradoxical picture emerges. In some ways, the digital age seems to have brought the goals of the Enlightenment to their fullest fruition, giving us boundless and instantaneous access to every kind of knowledge and art. But the internet and its platforms also frequently bring chaos, immersing us in a sphere of often unverified information whose scope is unimaginable. This book takes a tour through the current debates on digital culture, bringing together a wide array of perspectives from aesthetic theory, cultural studies, electronic media, and the arts.

Ruedi Widmer is program manager of journalism at the Zürich University of the Arts and editor, most recently, of Holy Shit, also published by Diaphanes. Ines Kleesattel is lecturer in art history and cultural theory at the Zürich University of the Arts and a coeditor of The Future is Unwritten, also published by Diaphanes.
At the end of the fifteenth century, when the Jagiellons and first Habsburg rulers sat on Prague’s throne, the character of the city’s municipalities began to transition from medieval to Renaissance. In *Renaissance Prague*, historian Eliška Fučíková paints a vivid picture of the Bohemian capital during this time of sweeping change.

As Fučíková reveals, this period saw the evolution of new architectural motifs across the city. In particular, there was a distinct transformation of Prague Castle, including the construction of well-known features such as the Ball Game Hall and Queen Anne’s Summer Palace. Featuring a concise historical overview and a guide to prominent figures of the time, as well as a variety of illustrations—from artwork to archival images, contemporary photographs, and maps—Fučíková’s book is a beautiful, enlightening tour through the Renaissance metropolis of the Bohemian Kingdom.

Eliška Fučíková is a leading scholar on the art and court of the Jagiellonian dynasty and early Habsburg kings and emperors. Most recently, she is the author of *Prague in the Reign of Rudolph II: Mannerist Art and Architecture in the Imperial Capital, 1583–1612*, also published by Karolinum Press. Derek Paton has been a translator of works of Czech history, politics, and art history for more than twenty-five years.
It’s 1979 in Communist Czechoslovakia, ten years into the crushing period known as normalization, and Ludvík Vaculík has writer’s block. It has been nearly a decade since he wrote his powerful novel, *The Guinea Pigs*, and it was in 1968 that he wrote his anti-regime manifesto, *Two Thousand Words*, which the Soviet Union used as a pretext for invading Czechoslovakia. On the advice of his friend, the poet and surrealist painter Jiří Kolář, Vaculík begins to keep a diary, “a book about things, people, and events.” This marks the beginning of *A Czech Dreambook*.

Fifty-four weeks later, what Vaculík turns out to have written is a unique mixture of diary, dream journal, and outright fiction—an inverted roman à clef in which the author, his family, his mistresses, and the real leaders of the Czech underground play major roles. Undisputedly the most debated novel among the Prague dissident community of the 1980s, it is a work that Vaculík himself described as an amalgam of “hard-boiled documentary” and “magic fiction,” while Václav Havel called it “a truly profound and perceptive account. . . . A great novel about modern life and the crisis of contemporary humanity.”

*A Czech Dreambook* has been hailed as the most important work of Czech literature in the past forty years. And yet it has never before been available in English. Flawlessly translated by Gerald Turner, Vaculík’s masterpiece is a brilliant exercise in style, dry humor, and irony—an important portrait of the lives and longings of the dissidents and post-Communist elites.
Every five years from 1955 to 1985, mass Czechoslovak gymnastic demonstrations and sporting parades called Spartakiads were held to mark the 1945 liberation of Czechoslovakia. Involving hundreds of thousands of male and female performers of all ages and held in the world’s largest stadium—a space built expressly for this purpose—the synchronized and unified movements of the Czech citizenry embodied, quite literally, the idealized Socialist people: a powerful yet pliant force directed by the regime.

This book explores the political, social, and aesthetic dimensions of these mass physical demonstrations, with a particular focus on their roots in the völkisch nationalism of the German Turner movement and the Czech Sokol gymnastic tradition. Featuring an abundance of photographs, Spartakiads takes a new approach to Communist history by opening a window onto the mentality and mundanity behind the Iron Curtain.

Petr Roubal is a senior research fellow in the Institute of Contemporary History at the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic. Dan Morgan is a respected translator of Czech with more than a decade of experience.

Studies of Homeric Greece
JAN BOUZEK

Studies of Homeric Greece is a comprehensive companion to the archaeology and history of Late Mycenaean to Geometric Greece and the komos of Early Iron Age Geometric styles in Europe and Upper Eurasia, circa 1300–700 BC. Jan Bouzek discusses this pivotal period of human history—the transition from Bronze to Iron Age, from the pre-philosophical to philosophical mind, from myth to logos—in an attempt to combine archaeological evidence with the words of Homer and Hesiod, and the first Phoenician and Greek trading ventures.

Jan Bouzek is an archaeologist affiliated with Charles University, Prague, who has worked on numerous excavations in the Czech Republic and across the Mediterranean.

Russ–Ukraine–Russia
Scenes from the Cultural History of Russian Religiosity
MARTIN C. PUTNA

An outspoken opponent of pro-Russian, authoritarian, and far-right streams in contemporary Czech society, Martin C. Putna received a great deal of media attention when he ironically dedicated the Czech edition of Russ–Ukraine–Russia to Miloš Zeman—the pro-Russian president of the Czech Republic. This sense of irony, combined with an extraordinary breadth of scholarly knowledge, infuses Putna’s book. Examining key points in Russian cultural and spiritual history, Russ–Ukraine–Russia is essential reading for those wishing to understand the current state of Russia and Ukraine.

Martin C. Putna is professor of social and cultural anthropology in the Faculty of Humanities at Charles University, Prague, and the former director of the Václav Havel Presidential Library. Michael Dean is a historian focusing on Central and Eastern Europe.
The Atlas of Religions in Czechia
TOMÁŠ HAVLIČEK, KAMILA KLINGOROVÁ, JAKUB LYSÁK et al.

The Atlas of Religions in Czechia represents the first comprehensive geographical analysis of the religious landscape of Czechia and its transformation since the fall of communism in 1989. The atlas is divided into three parts. The first section tackles regional differentiation between select religious movements and groups within the last two decades; the second focuses on sacred objects in their environment and their deployment in ten model regions across Czechia; and the final part analyzes the relational context of specific spatial, socioeconomic, and demographic factors connected to religiosity in contemporary Czech society. Every chapter includes a cartographic section that explains these phenomena in their regional context, thereby illustrating the diversity, development, historical continuity, and global influences of Czech religiosity.

T. G. Masaryk and the Jewish Question
MILÔŠ POJAR
Translated by Gerald Turner

In this book, Miloš Pojar traces the development and transformation of the opinions about Jews and Judaism of the first Czechoslovak president, T. G. Masaryk. Pojar describes the key events and ideas that shaped Masaryk’s attitudes: his first contacts with the Jewish world as a child, and later as a student; his work as a philosopher and sociologist, through which his thinking on Marxism, social issues, Christianity, and Judaism evolved; and his later, pivotal, experience at the time of the anti-Semitic libel trials against Leopold Hilsner, known as the Hilsner Affair. Pojar also details the period when Masaryk, as president, formulated his position on matters such as the Czech-Jewish movement, the question of assimilation, and Zionism. Featuring an entire chapter on Masaryk’s celebrated 1927 trip to Palestine as well as a series of brief profiles of outstanding Jewish figures that explore both Masaryk’s attitudes to their ideas and their opinions of Masaryk, this book is a compelling personal portrait and a substantial contribution to our understanding of the history of Jews in the Czech lands.

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St. Louis and the Great War
S. Patrick Allie

When World War I erupted in 1914, the conflict seemed a world away from tranquil St. Louis. By the time of the Armistice, however, the war had affected countless Missourians in ways big and small. *St. Louis and the Great War* is a richly illustrated account of how the city and its citizens evolved and proudly served in those four years.

St. Louis’s involvement in the events of World War I is largely unknown to the outside world, but it produced a number of significant contributions. Munitions that found their way onto the battlefields of Europe were manufactured in St. Louis. A local hospital pioneered the use of X-rays, providing a crucial new medical resource to help better treat the unprecedented casualties. And, in the nineteen months of American involvement in WWI, more than one thousand St. Louisans gave their lives. Likewise, the war had an irreversible effect on the daily routines of the city’s residents, whether in the form of propaganda campaigns that led to both patriotic fervor and anti-German hysteria, or in the purchasing of liberty bonds and the cultivation of victory gardens. Featuring more than 250 photographs and archival documents from the collections of the Missouri Historical Society and Soldiers Memorial Military Museum—most of which have never before been published—*St. Louis and the Great War* details how the war touched the city and how its citizens rose to the challenge.

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Conversations with the Collection
A Terra Foundation Collection Handbook
Edited by Katherine M. Bourguignon and Peter John Brownlee
With an Introduction by Elizabeth Glassman

The Terra Foundation for American Art uses its impressive collection of American art spanning a two-hundred-year period to fulfill its mission. Since the Foundation’s establishment in 1978, it has sought to share the collection’s extraordinary pieces by renowned American artists like Mary Cassatt, Georgia O’Keeffe, and Edward Hopper with an international audience, encouraging the study of American art around the world. *Conversations with the Collection* helps to realize the Foundation’s mission of serving as a “museum without walls,” bringing art and scholarship to a global audience. The handbook entries and scholars’ responses to the artworks that comprise these *Conversations* provide fascinating insight not only into the collection and its holdings, but also into the Foundation’s history of making these works accessible to art historians and art lovers beyond the United States. The texts achieve a range of objectives, describing the significance of individual pieces in the collection, movements and themes that provide context for these works, and the Foundation’s innovative objective of bringing its collection to an international audience. Indeed, this distinctive handbook demonstrates the success of the Foundation’s mission: the works in its collection have had an impact on worldwide audiences, leading to a richer appreciation for American art.

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Medicine and the Gallows
Rural Springfield
John B. Hatcher and Robert A. Watson
Edited by REBECCA ZORACH and MARISSA H. BAKER

The Time Is Now!
Art Worlds of Chicago’s South Side, 1960–1980

With essays by Marissa H. Baker, Davarian Baldwin, Tempestt Hazel, Mary Pattillo, and Rebecca Zorach and additional short essays by Romi Crawford, Sandra Jackson-Opoku, Patric McCoy, and Jacqueline Najuma Stewart

During the 1960s and ’70s, Chicago was shaped by art and ideas produced and circulated on its South Side. Defined by the city’s social, political, and geographic divides and by the energies of its multiple overlapping art scenes, this vibrant moment of creative expression produced a cultural legacy whose impact continues to unfold nationally and internationally.

The Time Is Now! Art Worlds of Chicago’s South Side, 1960–1980, publishing in tandem with an exhibition at the Smart Museum of Art, examines this cultural moment—brimming with change and conflict—and the figures who defined it. Focusing primarily on African American artists in and out of the Black Arts Movement, The Time Is Now! reexamines watershed cultural moments: from the Wall of Respect to Black Creativity, from the civil rights movement to AfriCOBRA, from vivid protest posters to visionary Afrofuturist art, and from the Hairy Who to the radical sounds of the Association for the Advancement of Creative Musicians.

Employing new scholarship that reassesses and recalibrates traditional narratives of postwar Chicago art, the exhibit resonates with current national dialogues around race, gender, protest, and belonging. The book contains a series of long and short essays, interviews, and other contextual material, along with full-color images of all works included in the exhibition and extensive reproductions of ephemera and historical photographs.

Rebecca Zorach is the Mary Jane Crowe Professor in Art and Art History at Northwestern University, where she teaches and writes on early modern European art, contemporary activist art, and art of the 1960s and 1970s. Marissa H. Baker is a PhD candidate in the department of Art History at the University of Illinois at Chicago.
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Collecting, Displaying, and Interpreting Material Culture
Debates on the Purpose and Practices of Historical and Ethnographic Museums
Edited by PETER N. MILLER

This volume presents the first full English translations of Otto Lauffer’s work on history museums and Oswald Richter’s essays on ethnographic museums, both first published in a journal on museum curation. These two essays remain unequaled presentations about the different implications of art, historical, and ethnographic museums. They show how sophisticated the discussion of museums and museum display was in the early twentieth century, and how much could be gained from revisiting these reflections today.

Peter N. Miller is dean and professor at Bard Graduate Center.

André Leroi-Gourhan on Technology, Evolution, and Social Life
A Selection of Texts and Writings from the 1930s to the 1970s
Edited by NATHAN SCHLANGER

André Leroi-Gourhan is one of the most acclaimed figures of twentieth-century anthropology and archaeology in France, yet his major contributions are almost entirely unknown in the Anglophone world. This selection of Leroi-Gourhan’s important texts—many translated into English for the first time—highlight his chief accomplishments and will have significant ramifications for the study of material culture.

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Memorable Singularity
Crafting Unique Individuals in an Amazonian Society
ANNE-CHRISTINE TAYLOR

Individual sovereignty is a central value among Amazonian groups, in keeping with a cosmology premised on the production of people rather than material property. The Jivaroan Indians of Western Amazonia exemplify these ideals to an unusual degree. Jivaros have long been notorious for a reputed addiction to warfare, their custom of shrinking enemies’ heads, and their fierce resistance to colonial and post-colonial attempts to convert them to Christianity and to deprive them of their land, identity, and lifeways. Becoming and remaining an accomplished Jivaroan person is a taxing and fraught achievement: it requires living and imagining in the heroic mode and mastering the art of making one’s self memorable.

In Memorable Singularity, anthropologist Anne-Christine Taylor describes how Jivaros strive for uniqueness of being and destiny, unconstrained by the claims of any institutionalized form of authority beyond the individual. Taylor covers a wide range of subjects: feuding and intertribal warfare, Jivaroan notions of personhood, corporeality, reflexive consciousness, thought and affect, memory, and visual culture. An essential collection from one of the foremost Amazonian specialists, Memorable Singularity is at once a richly literary work and an illuminating meditation on the process of crafting and imagining the human self.

Anne-Christine Taylor is professor emeritus at the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique in Paris, France.
What’s for dinner tonight? Is it something shaken from a bag or peeled from a plastic tray? Or is it flaky, fresh salmon paired with rhubarb-berry agua fresca? Alaska Native chef Rob Kinneen is out to revolutionize how Alaskans—and the world—see Alaska cuisine and with the Fresh Alaska Cookbook, he shows that it is possible for anyone to make this cuisine a hearty, healthy addition to our dinner rotations.

While Kinneen spent time cooking in the busy kitchens of New York and New Orleans, his heart always remained in Alaska. Kinneen made it his mission to bring the flavors of his home state to the lower 48, combining contemporary cooking with Alaska’s native plants and animals. Going beyond smoked salmon and crab chowder, Kinneen introduces us to Arctic Polenta and Razor Clam Fritters with Smoked Mustard Aioli. Salmon, crab, and moose do figure prominently in the book, of course, but so do updates of foods like agudak and bannock. Along with the recipes, Kinneen describes the cultural history of the many regions and peoples of Alaska and argues for the importance of a local food movement. He also offers tips for non-Alaskan cooks who want to taste more of the flavors unique to the state. From coast to interior, Alaska never tasted so good!

Rob Kinneen is an Alaska Native chef who has been working in restaurants since he was fifteen years old. He has worked and staged in Louisiana, North Carolina, New York, and Illinois. He is a chef at The Boot in Durham, North Carolina, and also runs a catering company specializing in Alaska cuisine.

Subzero temperatures, whiteout blizzards, and even the lack of restrooms didn’t deter them. Nordidsneers, harassment, and threats. Wildcat Women is the first book to document the life and labor of pioneering women in the oil fields of Alaska’s North Slope. It profiles fourteen women who worked in the fields, telling a little-known history of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline. These trailblazers conquered their fears to face hazardous working and living conditions, performing and excelling at “a man’s job in a man’s world.” They faced down challenges on and off the job: they drove buses over ice roads through snowstorms; wrestled with massive pipes; and operated dangerous valves that put their lives literally in their hands; they also fought union hall red tape, challenged discriminatory practices, and fought for equal pay—and sometimes won. The women talk about the roads that brought them to this unusual career, where they often gave up comfort and convenience and felt isolated and alienated. They also tell of the lifelong friendships and sense of family that bonded these unlikely wildcats. The physical and emotional hardship detailed in these stories exemplifies their courage, tenacity, resilience, and leadership, and shows how their fight for recognition and respect benefited woman workers everywhere.

Carla Williams spent most of her career working in the Alaska oil and gas industry in Anchorage and the North Slope.
The towns of Eagle, Circle, and Central are tucked away in the cold, rugged, and sparsely populated central-eastern interior of Alaska. These communities have fewer than three hundred residents in an area of more than 22,000 square miles. Yet they are closely linked by the Yukon River and by history itself. 

Through their Eyes is a glimpse into the past and present of these communities, showing how their survival has depended on centuries of cooperation. The towns have roots in the gold rushes but they are also located within the traditional territories of the Hän Hwech’in, the Gwichiyaa Gwich’in, and Dendiu Gwich’in Dena (Athabascan) peoples. Over time, residents have woven together new heritages, adopting and practicing each other’s traditions. This book combines oral accounts with archival research to create a rich portrayal of life in rural Alaska villages. Many of the stories come directly from the residents of these communities, giving an inside perspective on the often colorful events that characterize life in Eagle, Circle, and Central.

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Li Bai Rides a Celestial Dolphin Home
TOM SEXTON

“On the night Li Bai tried to embrace the moon / in its fullness on the surface of the Yangtze River, / blossoms scented the air, and beyond the moon / pale stars powdered the sky. That faint shiver / of white near the surface was a dolphin rising. / I carry a book of his poems whenever I travel, / poems that touch the heart like a gentle snow. / Look, over there in that marsh, a snowy egret rising.”

The day after their wedding, Tom and Sharyn Sexton set off on the more than 4,500-mile journey from Massachusetts to Alaska. Now, more than fifty years later, Tom Sexton is retracing those steps through his exceptional poetry. He describes the communities they passed through and ruminates on the changes, good and bad, that have taken place in the decades since. He still finds beauty in the country and draws transformative hope from the land that connects all of us. Appropriate for a journey that moves from east to west, the Sexton’s real-life voyage is embedded in the imaginary journey of the ancient Chinese poet, Li Bai, from Broad Pass to Polychrome Pass in the Alaska Range.

Tom Sexton is the founder of the creative writing program at the University of Alaska, Anchorage, as well as a former poet laureate of Alaska. His books include For the Sake of Light and A Ladder of Cranes, both from the University of Alaska Press.
Roughly For the North

CARRIE AYAGADUK OJANEN

“I wish I were a dancer to let lines fall like that. / But I am dressed like you, roughly for the North.”

Roughly for the North is a tender and complex portrait of an Arctic and subarctic world. Full of lush language and imagery, each poem is an act of devotion and love to one’s family and land. Carrie Ayagaduk Ojanen weaves a moving portrait of grief, of the rippling effects of historical trauma on succeeding generations, of resilience in the face of adversity, of respect for the Alaska Native traditions she grew up in. With vivid imagery, she draws the reader into Northern life, where the spiritual and industrial collide. She uses formalism and lyrical free verse to explore the natural world and to conjure a place of staggering beauty that hides death around every corner.

A member of the Ugiuvamiut tribe, Ojanen grounds her work in a web of familial relationships. Especially important is her connection with her grandparents, members of the last generation to make their home on Ugiuvak (King Island), Alaska. With heartfelt verse, her poems reflect the staggering cultural changes her grandparents faced and the way traditional art forms continue to unite her community and help them connect to the past.

Carrie Ayagaduk Ojanen is an Inupiat writer from the Ugiuvamiut tribe. Her work has appeared in Prairie Schooner, the Louisville Review, AsUs Journal, and Yellow Medicine Review.

Coming Out of Nowhere

Alaska Homestead Poems

LINDA SCHANDELMEIER

“The earth near our place / was cradle, / it rocked us— / became our skin. / House doors opened, / spilled us out, / we disappeared into trees— / they clothed us in delirious green. / . . . We knew the song / of this place, made it up, / sang it—”

Homestead life is often romanticized as a valiant, resilient family persisting in the clean isolation of pristine wilderness, living off the land and depending only on each other. But there can be a darker side to this existence.

Linda Schandelmeier was raised on a family homestead six miles south of the fledgling town of Anchorage, Alaska in the 1950s and ’60s. But hers is not a typical homestead story. In this book, part poetic memoir and part historical document, a young girl comes of age in a family fractured by divorce and abuse. Schandelmeier does not shy away from these details of her family history, but she also recognizes her childhood as one that was unique and nurturing, and many of her poems celebrate homestead life. Her words hint at her way of surviving and even transcending the remoteness by suggesting a deeper level of human experience beyond the daily grind of homestead life; a place in which the trees and mountains are almost members of the family. These are poems grounded in the wilds that shimmer with a mythic quality. Schandelmeier’s vivid descriptions of homesteading will draw in readers from all types of lives.

Linda Schandelmeier is the author of Listening Hard Among the Birches. Her poems have appeared in Alaska Quarterly Review, the Northern Review, Cirque, Ice Floe, and Connecticut River Review, among others. She was Artist in Residence at Denali National Park in 2012.
Anchorage has grown from a town site of tents to become the largest city in the state. It just celebrated its centenary in 2015, but it has seen inhabitants for millennia. Combining full-color images with insightful essays, *Imagining Anchorage* is the most expansive and comprehensive take on this exceptional city.

This book brings together twenty renowned contributors, from historians to long-time locals, to tell a piece of Anchorage’s story. The essays cover the major movements in Anchorage: the first people, the arrival of Europeans, the founding of Anchorage, and its transformation into a modern city. The chapters highlight topics such as indigenous history, exploration and early colonialism, the rise of the oil industry, the economic importance of Alaska Native Corporations, the civil rights movement in Alaska, and the role of the military through Anchorage’s past and present.

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*Taken by Storm, 1938*

Lourdes B. Avilés is professor at Plymouth State University’s Meteorology Program in Plymouth, New Hampshire.
This catalog accompanies Edi Hila: Painter of Transformation, the first retrospective exhibition devoted to the Albanian painter Edi Hila, considered one of the last masters from Eastern Europe. Through Hila’s eyes, the Eastern European experience is stripped of accident or adventure and instead gives weight to distilled general truths.

The catalog traces key moments from his formative artistic experience, including a firsthand account of his infamous 1972 painting, Planting of Trees, which because of its unusual use of color and form that ran contrary to approved socialist realist doctrine, led to his being forced to labor in a poultry processing plant. In the evenings, however, he secretly created a series of drawings documenting the life of the workers, which became the Poultry series, harrowing in its raw realism. Edi Hila tracks the artist’s practice through the 1990s, when we find him carefully observing life after the fall of Enver Hoxha’s regime and attempting to depict the realities of the Albanian transformation on the precipice of the new millennium. This volume concludes with a review of Hila’s contemporaneous practice, which discloses more the limitations and traps of transformation than its promises. Richly illustrated with reproductions of Hila’s work in full color, many of them never before published, this is a groundbreaking catalog, one that will help establish Hila’s international reputation as a master painter of the region and Europe at large.

Edi Hila
ÉRIC DE CHASSEY, JOANNA MYTKOWSKA, KATHRIN RHOMBERG, and ERZEN SHKOLOLLI

On the Landing
Stories by Yenta Mash
Translated by ELLEN CASSEDY

In these sixteen stories, available in English for the first time, prize-winning author Yenta Mash traces an arc across continents, across upheavals and regime changes, and across the phases of a woman’s life. Mash’s protagonists are often in transit, poised “on the landing” on their way to or from somewhere else. In imaginative, poignant, and relentlessly honest prose, translated from the Yiddish by Ellen Cassedy, Mash documents the lost world of Jewish Bessarabia, the texture of daily life behind the Iron Curtain in Soviet Moldova, and the challenges of assimilation in Israel.

On the Landing opens by inviting us to join a woman making her way through her ruined hometown, recalling the colorful customs of yesterday—and the night when everything changed. We then travel into the Soviet gulag, accompanying women prisoners into the fearsome forests of Siberia. In postwar Soviet Moldova, we see how the Jewish community rebuilds itself. On the move once more, we join refugees struggling to find their place in Israel. Finally, a late-life romance brings a blossoming of joy.

Drawing on a lifetime of repeated uprooting, Mash offers an intimate perch from which to explore little-known corners of the twentieth and early twenty-first centuries.

Yenta Mash (1922–2013) was born and raised in Bessarabia in southeastern Europe. She survived Siberian exile, then settled in Chisinau, Moldova, before immigrating to Israel. Ellen Cassedy is the author of We Are Here: Memories of the Lithuanian Holocaust and cotranslator of Oedipus in Brooklyn and Other Stories by Blume Lempel. This book is a result of her Yiddish Book Center Translation fellowship.
Futurism was Russia’s first avant-garde movement. Gatecrashing the Russian public sphere in the early twentieth century, the movement called for the destruction of everything old, so that the past could not hinder the creation of a new, modern society. Over the next two decades, the protagonists of Russian Futurism pursued their goal of modernizing human experience through radical art.

The success of this mission has long been the subject of scholarly debate. Critics have often characterized Russian Futurism as an expression of utopian daydreaming by young artists who were unrealistic in their visions of Soviet society and naïve in their comprehension of the Bolshevik political agenda. By tracing the political and ideological evolution of Russian Futurism between 1905 and 1930, Iva Glisic challenges this view, demonstrating that Futurism took a calculated and systematic approach to its contemporary socio-political reality.

Drawing upon a unique combination of archival materials and employing a theoretical framework inspired by the works of philosophers such as Lewis Mumford, Karl Mannheim, Ernst Bloch, Fred Polak, and Slavoj Žižek, *The Futurist Files* presents Futurists not as blinded idealists, but rather as active and judicious participants in the larger project of building a modern Soviet consciousness.

*Iva Glisic* is a historian of twentieth-century Russia and the Balkans.

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The bitter separation of Ukraine’s Orthodox churches is a microcosm of its societal strife. From 1917 onward, church leaders failed to agree on the church’s mission in the twentieth century. The core issues of dispute were establishing independence from the Russian church and adopting Ukrainian as the language of worship. Decades of polemical exchanges and public statements by leaders of the separated churches contributed to the formation of their distinct identities and sharpened the friction amongst their respective supporters.

In *The Orthodox Church in Ukraine*, Nicholas Denysenko provides a balanced and comprehensive analysis of this history from the early twentieth century to the present. Based on extensive archival research, Denysenko’s study examines the dynamics of church and state that complicate attempts to restore an authentic Ukrainian religious identity in the contemporary Orthodox churches. An enhanced understanding of these separate identities and how they were forged could prove to be an important tool for resolving contemporary religious differences and revising ecclesial policies.

*Nicholas Denysenko* is Emil and Elfrieda Jochum Professor and Chair at Valparaiso University. His books include *Theology and Form: Contemporary Orthodox Architecture in America* and *Theology*. He is a deacon of the Orthodox Church in America since 2003.

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The Orthodox Church in Ukraine

A Century of Separation

*NICHOLAS E. DENYSENKO*

The Futurist Files

Avant-Garde, Politics and Ideology in Russia, 1905–1930

*IVA GLISIC*
Throughout the eighteenth century, the Russian elite assimilated the ideas, emotions, and practices of the aristocracy in Western countries to various degrees, while retaining a strong sense of their distinctive identity. In *On the Periphery of Europe, 1762–1825*, Andreas Schönle and Andrei Zorin examine the principal manifestations of Europeanization for Russian elites in their daily lives, through the import of material culture, the adoption of certain social practices, travel, reading patterns, and artistic consumption. The authors consider five major sites of Europeanization: court culture, religion, education, literature, and provincial life.

The Europeanization of the Russian elite paradoxically strengthened its pride in its Russianness, precisely because it participated in networks of interaction and exchange with European elites and shared in their linguistic and cultural capital. In this way, Europeanization generated forms of sociability that helped the elite consolidate its corporate identity as distinct from court society and also from the people. The Europeanization of Russia was uniquely intense, complex, and pervasive, as it aimed not only to emulate forms of behavior, but to forge an elite that was intrinsically European, while remaining Russian. The second of a two-volume project (the first is a multi-authored collection of case studies), this insightful study will appeal to scholars of Russian and general readers interested in Russian history.

Andreas Schönle is professor of Russian at Queen Mary, University of London and fellow of the British Academy. Andrei Zorin is professor and chair of Russian of the University of Oxford and fellow of New College.
Between 1880 and 1920, emigration from Sweden to Chicago soared, and the city itself grew remarkably. During this time, the Swedish population in the city shifted from three centrally located ethnic enclaves to neighborhoods scattered throughout the city. As Swedes moved to new neighborhoods, the early enclave-based culture adapted to a progressively more dispersed pattern of Swedish settlement in Chicago and its suburbs. Swedish community life in the new neighborhoods flourished as immigrants built a variety of ethnic churches and created meaningful social affiliations, in the process forging a complex Swedish-American identity that combined their Swedish heritage with their new urban realities.

Chicago influenced these Swedes’ lives in profound ways, determining the types of jobs they would find, the variety of people they would encounter, and the locations of their neighborhoods. But these immigrants were creative people, and they in turn shaped their urban experience in ways that made sense to them. Swedes arriving in Chicago after 1880 benefited from the strong community created by their predecessors, but they did not hesitate to reshape that community and build new ethnic institutions to make their urban experience more meaningful and relevant. They did not leave Chicago untouched—they formed an expanding Swedish community in the city, making significant portions of Chicago Swedish.
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Silent Life and Silent Language
The Inner Life of a Mute in an Institution for the Deaf

KATE M. FARLOW

Silent Life and Silent Language presents a fictionalized account of life at a Midwestern residential school for deaf students in the years following the Civil War. Based on the experiences of the author, who became deaf at the age of nine and entered a residential school when she was twelve, this historical work is remarkable and rare because it focuses on signing deaf women’s lives. One of only a few accounts written by deaf women in the nineteenth century, Silent Life and Silent Language gives a detailed description of daily life and learning at the Indiana Asylum for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb.

Kate M. Farlow wrote this book with the goal of giving hearing parents hope that their deaf children would be able to lead happy and productive lives. She sought to raise awareness of the benefits of deaf schools and was an early advocate for the use of American Sign Language and of bilingual education. The Christian influence on the school and on the author is strongly present in her writing and reflects an important component of deaf education at the time. Descriptions of specific signs, games, ASL story nights, and other aspects of the signing community during the 1870s will be of interest to modern students and researchers in linguistics, deaf education, Deaf studies, and Deaf history. Farlow’s work reveals a sophisticated, early understanding of the importance of access to language, education, and community for deaf individuals.

Kate M. Farlow was a teacher at the Iowa School for the Deaf and a regular contributor to the Ohio Chronicle, a Deaf community newspaper.

The Next Generation of Research in Interpreter Education
Pursuing Evidence-Based Practices

Edited by CYNTHIA B. ROY and ELIZABETH A. WINSTON

This collection continues to push the boundaries of research in sign language interpreter education, an emerging field that is rapidly evolving. Chapters include studies on role-play activities in the classroom, Deaf interpreter training, reducing anxiety in the interpreting process, mentoring, and self-assessment.

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Ears, Eyes, and Hands
Reflections on Language, Literacy, and Linguistics
DEBORAH L. WOLTER

Ears, Eyes, and Hands presents the author’s reflections on language, literacy, and linguistics, shaped by her deafness and by her work as an educator. In short, engaging narratives, Wolter exposes deeply entrenched attitudes and stereotypes regarding language, which includes her own experiences as a deaf person as well as her interactions with children from varying backgrounds. In bringing these attitudes to light, Wolter reveals the negative impact of deficit mindsets regarding race, ethnicity, economic status, gender, and disability as related to language, and provides a path toward approaching language and listening as a gateway to connection and understanding.

Deborah L. Wolter is a literacy consultant for Student Intervention and Support Services in the Ann Arbor Public Schools in Michigan.

Paris in America
A Deaf Nanticoke Shoemaker and His Daughter
CLARA JEAN MOSLEY HALL with GAYLE WILLIAMSON

In Paris in America, Clara Jean Mosley Hall shares her experiences of a life lived between various cultural worlds: Native American, African American, Deaf, and hearing. Raised in Delaware by her father, a Deaf Nanticoke Indian named James Paris Mosley, Hall was abandoned by her Deaf African-American mother at a young age and forged a close bond with her father, who communicated with her in American Sign Language. Although his family was American Indian, they—like many other Nanticoke Indians of that region—had assimilated over time into Dover’s black community. Hall describes the years of Jim Crow and the forced integration of public schools, as well as her more personal experiences as a CODA (child of deaf adults) who had to act as an interpreter for her father. Through the struggles of her teen years to earning a doctoral degree and becoming a professor of American Sign Language, Hall’s story depicts triumph over adversity. Her memoir is a celebration of her family, her faith, her journey, and her heritage.

Clara Jean Mosley Hall is professor in the American Sign Language and Deaf Interpretive Services Program at Cuyahoga Community College in Parma, OH.
As the ASL-English interpreting field has become professionalized, there is a growing disconnect between interpreters and the Deaf consumers they serve. Whereas interpreting used to be a community-based practice, the field is growing into a research-based profession that begins in a classroom rather than in the Deaf community. Despite the many gains being made in the interpreting services profession, with an emphasis on the accuracy of the interpreted work, the perspectives of Deaf individuals are rarely documented in the literature. Opportunities for enhanced participation and full inclusion need to be considered in order for Deaf people to best represent themselves to the hearing, nonsigning public as competent and intelligent individuals.

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Robert Grosvenor
Edited by SOLVEIG ØVSTEBØ and ROBERT GROSVENOR

Over a fifty-year career, Robert Grosvenor has produced a body of work that is at once solidly physical and conceptual, muscular and fluid. Grosvenor frequently uses industrial materials and found objects as he experiments with texture and scale, resulting in sculptures that reveal a handmade quality and subtle vein of humor.

In 2017, the Renaissance Society presented an exhibition of the sculptor’s untitled work from 1989 to 1990. Re-contextualized within a spare architectural installation, this assemblage of materials and found objects eludes interpretation at the same time as it asserts its form and construction. Such nuances, combined with its ambiguous scale, evoke what critic John Yau has suggested is the labor of an “anonymous worker.” Grosvenor has made significant contributions as a sculptor over the past fifty years, but relatively few books have been published about his work. This monograph documents the Renaissance Society show and also features new scholarship considering Grosvenor’s work with a broad scope.

Jennifer Packer
Edited by SOLVEIG ØVSTEBØ and JENNIFER PACKER

In Tenderheaded, her solo exhibition at the Renaissance Society in 2017, Jennifer Packer established herself as one of the most compelling painters of her generation. The exhibition, a selection of portraits and still-lifes of funerary bouquets, based in observation, improvisation, and memory, rigorously engaged with art history at the same time as it maintained a personal response to how black bodies navigate within the present political landscape. In foregrounding the autonomy and integrity of her sitting subjects, Packer’s portrait embodies questions of representation, visibility, and desire. Her paintings of funerary bouquets, meanwhile, provide a personal space in which to address themes of trauma and loss. Packer, whose practice is marked by both its restraint and tenderness, favors the emotive capacity of painting as a form of resistance to fixed identity.

The first monograph devoted to the paintings of this important emerging artist, Tenderheaded includes documentation of the exhibition, an introduction by Solveig Øvstebø, and a conversation between Packer and the acclaimed Chicago-based painter Kerry James Marshall, as well as essays and poetry responding to Packer’s work.

Jennifer Packer was born in Philadelphia and received her BFA from the Tyler University School of Art in 2007 and her MFA from the Yale University School of Art in 2012. In 2012–2013 she was an Artist-in-Residence at the Studio Museum in Harlem, and from 2014 to 2016 was a Visual Arts Fellow at the Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, MA. Solveig Øvstebø is executive director and chief curator of the Renaissance Society at the University of Chicago.
As both an Olympic gold medalist and two-time world heavyweight champion, boxer Wladimir Klitschko stands apart from most athletes. But he also stands apart another way: in the attention he paid to his professional career outside the ring. Klitschko founded his own promotions and management groups during his fighting days, as well as an advanced certification program at a Swiss university to teach the basics of professional self-management. Challenge Management brings Klitschko’s insights to readers, revealing his methods and personal philosophies for tackling challenges in the arenas of business and finance. Challenge Management also provides readers with practical examples and personal anecdotes from a variety of sports managers, entrepreneurs, and friends of the author, including Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Wladimir Klitschko is a former heavyweight champion and lecturer at the University of St. Gallen. Stefanie Bilen is a journalist and author. Maren Barton is a translator of German.

The idea of corporate culture is a much-discussed concept in today’s business world, but often it only comes into focus as a response to problems in the workplace. Business Culture Design changes the conversation, taking a proactive approach to fostering and maintaining corporate culture. Simon Sagmeister introduces readers to the patterns and behaviors that form the foundation of positive culture through his innovative Culture Map, a colorful visual tool for managers and employees alike. Sagmeister’s Culture Map will prove invaluable for high-level business activities such as mergers and acquisitions, but also for daily interactions between colleagues, which is the place where corporate culture is truly forged.

Simon Sagmeister is the founder of the Culture Institute in Zurich and a partner at Science House in New York. Joe Paul Kroll is an independent translator.
The Long End of the First World War
Ruptures, Continuities and Memories
Edited by KATRIN BROMBER, KATHARINA LANGE, HEIKE LIEBAU, and ANORTHE WETZEL

This fall marks the centennial of the armistice that ended the hostilities of World War I. But was the end of this historic conflict really as clearly defined as we think? The Long End of the First World War takes aim at the notion of a final ceasefire, revealing it to be the result of European narratives that ignored the truly global aftermath of the war. The contributors to this volume examine the war’s effect from multiple angles, taking into account the experiences of prisoners of war, demobilized soldiers, women, and children from Asia, Africa, and the Middle East, and investigate the social, economic, and ecological results of the conflict. The Long End of the First World War serves as a complement to the commemorations of the Armistice this year, asking us to consider who and what ends up in the historical record and what ought to be rediscovered.

Katrín Bromber and Heike Liebau are both senior researchers at the Centre for Modern Oriental Studies in Berlin where Katharina Lange is a research fellow. Anorthe Wetzel is vice head of the conferences and symposia unit of the Volkswagen Foundation in Hanover.

Knowledge, Normativity and Power in Academia
Critical Interventions
Edited by AISHA-NUSRAT AHMAD, MAIK FIELITZ, JOHANNA LEINIUS, and GIANNA MAGDALENA SCHLICHTE

Despite its capacity to produce knowledge that can directly influence policy and affect social change, academia is still often viewed as detached from the tumult of daily life. Knowledge, Normativity and Power in Academia argues that, in our current moment of historic global unrest, the fruits of the academy need to be examined more closely than ever. This collection pinpoints the connections among researchers, activists, and artists, arguing that—despite what we might think—the knowledge produced in universities and the processes that ignite social transformation are inextricably intertwined. This volume provides analysis from both inside and outside the academy to show how this seemingly staid locale can still provide space for critique and resistance.

Aisha-Nusrat Ahmad is a research associate at the International Psychoanalytic University Berlin. Maik Fielitz is a research associate at the Institute for Democracy in Jena. Johanna Leinius is a research associate at University of Kassel. Gianna Magdalena Schlichte is a research associate at the Bremen Institute for Criminal Sciences.

Theorizing Global Order
The International, Culture and Governance
Edited by GUNTHER HELLMANN

Despite its prominent place in contemporary political discourse and international relations, the idea of the “global order” remains surprisingly sketchy. Though it’s easy to identify the nations and actors who comprise the major players, pinning down concrete definitions can be more difficult. This book not only clarifies a number of related key terms—including the use of international versus global and system versus order—but also offers a variety of perspectives for theorizing global order.

Gunther Hellmann is professor of political science at Goethe University Frankfurt.
Revisiting the “Sick Man of Asia”
Discourses of Weakness in Late 19th and Early 20th Century China
Edited by IWO AMELUNG and SEBASTIAN RIEBOLD

In the late nineteenth century, a conviction that China was somehow weaker than other political states in Asia and the West spread across the nation. Responses to this dispiriting notion manifested themselves in cultural and political forms, affecting such disparate arenas as popular writing and national resource mobilization. This book shows how, more than a century later, modern China has yet to fully shake the idea of weakness, arguing that the country’s Communist leadership relies on this trope to shore up their popularity when they position themselves as the only defense against national humiliation.

Iwo Amelung is professor of Sinology at Goethe University Frankfurt. Sebastian Riebold is research assistant at DFG Collaborative Research Center 1095.

Discourses of Weakness and Resource Regimes
Trajectories of a New Research Program
Edited by IWO AMELUNG, HARTMUT LEPPIN, and CHRISTIAN A. MÜLLER

The acquisition and deployment of resources—natural and otherwise—will always be at the forefront of geopolitical discourse. This is especially true at a time when the finite nature of these resources becomes clearer every day, that’s especially true. This book uses a humanities-influenced lens to examine how ideas of weakness affect the stockpiling and usage of resources, delving into the question of how self-assessments by people and states alike can influence their handling of resources.

Iwo Amelung is professor of Sinology at Goethe University Frankfurt. Hartmut Leppin is professor of ancient history at Goethe University Frankfurt. Christian A. Müller is research coordinator of DFG Collaborative Research Center 1095.
Debra Campbell and Jack Crittenden

Direct Deliberative Democracy
How Citizens Can Rule

As American politics becomes ever more dominated by powerful vested interests, positive change seems permanently stymied. Left out in the cold by the political process, citizens are frustrated and despairing. How can we take back our democracy from the grip of oligarchy and bring power to the people?

In Direct Deliberative Democracy, Debra Campbell and Jack Crittenden offer up a better way for government to reflect citizens’ interests. It begins with a startlingly basic question: “Why don’t we the people govern?” In this provocative book, the authors mount a powerful case that the time has come for more direct democracy in the United States, showing that the circumstances that made the Constitutional framers’ arguments so convincing more than two hundred years ago have changed dramatically—and that our democracy needs to change with them. With money, lobbyists, and corporations now dominating local, state, and national elections, the authors argue that now is the time for citizens to take control of their government by deliberating together to make public policies and laws directly. At the heart of their approach is a proposal for a new system of “legislative juries,” in which the jury system would be used as a model for selecting citizens to create ballot initiatives. This would enable citizens to level the playing field, bring little-heard voices into the political arena, and begin the process of transforming our democracy into one that works for, not against, its citizens.

Debra Campbell is a residential faculty member in the philosophy and religious studies department of Mesa Community College, in Arizona. Jack Crittenden was professor of political theory at Arizona State University for nearly thirty years. He is the author of Beyond Individuals, Democracy’s Midwife, and Wide as the World.
In *Art, Space, Ecology*, internationally renowned curator and critic John K. Grande interviews twenty major contemporary artists whose works engage with the natural environment. Whether their medium is sculpture, nature interventions, performance, body art, or installation, these discussions, complemented by eighty stunning full color photographs, reveal the artists’ diverse backgrounds and methods, expressions and realizations. Ultimately, the natural world serves as a canvas to explore the intersections of art, space, and the environment, thereby raising questions about our relationship with landscape itself. The essence of the artform is a dynamic interactivity, and the dialogues between Grande and the artists mirror the encounter of object and environment, artist and audience, society and nature. This work is rounded out with an engaging introduction by writer and curator Edward Lucie-Smith, who sets the stage for some of the most insightful and compelling discussions on art to be found.

John K. Grande is an art critic, curator, and the author of a dozen books about art and artists.

**The Anatomist of Power**
Franz Kafka and the Critique of Authority

*COSTAS DESPINIADIS*

Translated by Stelios Kapsomenos

Few twentieth-century writers remain as potent as Franz Kafka—one of the rare figures to maintain both a major presence in the academy and on the shelves of general readers. Yet, remarkably, no work has yet fully focused on his politics and anti-authoritarian sensibilities. *The Anatomist of Power: Franz Kafka and the Critique of Authority* is a fascinating new look at his widely known novels and stories (including *The Trial*, “Metamorphosis,” “In the Penal Colony,” and *Amerika*), portraying him as a powerful critic of authority, bureaucracy, capitalism, law, patriarchy, and prisons. Making deft use of Kafka’s diaries, his friends’ memoirs, and his original sketches, Costas Despiniadis addresses his active participation in Prague’s anarchist circles, his wide interest in anarchist authors, his skepticism about the Russian Revolution, and his ambivalent relationship with utopian Zionism. The portrait of Kafka that emerges is striking and fresh—rife with insights and a refusal to accept the structures of power that dominated his society.

Costas Despiniadis is a publisher, translator, and author of seven books. Stelios Kapsomenos is a translator and historian.
Another City is Possible with Participatory Budgeting

YVES CABANNES

With a Foreword by Anne Hidalgo, Mayor of Paris

Participatory budgeting gives people real power to determine the future of their cities. Though this democratic process was only born in 1989, it has since been practiced more than 2000 times in more than 45 countries around the world.

Yves Cabannes offers examples from five continents of participatory budgeting in practice, outlining the successes and challenges of thirteen case studies from the United States, Brazil, France, Portugal, Spain, China, Argentina, Chile, Peru, Mozambique, and Cameroon. As much a best-of-guide as a how-to-manual for democratizing municipal finances, the book charts the unique trajectory of participatory budgeting, and asserts its potential for realizing radical democratic goals.

Yves Cabannes, emeritus professor of development planning at University College London, is an urban specialist, activist, scholar, and an expert on participatory budgeting.

Villages in Cities

Community Land Ownership and Cooperative Housing in Milton Parc and Beyond

JOSHUA HAWLEY and DIMITRI ROUSSOPOULOS

In Montreal in 1968, speculators announced their “urban renewal” plan to demolish six blocks of the downtown heritage neighborhood of Milton Parc in order to build high-rise condos, hotels, office buildings, and shopping malls. The local community viewed this as a declaration of war. They saved the heritage architecture from destruction and protected local residents from gentrification through the creation of the largest nonprofit cooperative housing project on an urban community land trust in North America. Villages in Cities takes us to housing projects across North America—to New York, Boston, Oakland, Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa, and Vancouver. The book draws connections among these projects, examines their underlying causes, and connects them with a holistic “Right to the City” movement that is emerging internationally.

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Left, Right

Marching to the Beat of Imperial Canada

YVES ENGLER

The left is supposed to be opposed to colonialism and at least skeptical of nationalism. Yet, in Left, Right, Yves Engler details the long history of support from the New Democratic Party and labor unions for such policies and international interventions as the coup in Haiti, the assassination of Patrice Lumumba, and the Bay of Pigs invasion.

The rhetoric of the mainstream left, including prominent commentators such as Linda McQuaig and Stephen Lewis, has echoed the terminology of right-wing politicians and thinkers. Left, Right offers a path forward, laying out ways to get us working for an ecologically sound, peace-promoting, and non-exploitative foreign policy.

Yves Engler is the author of nine books and a political activist renowned for his critiques of Canadian foreign policy.
The village of Reykhol in Borgan-Byggð, Iceland, is probably best known for its thirteenth-century occupant Snorri Sturluson—historian, scholar, and much-acclaimed author of the Heimskringla and Edda sagas. But Reykho was already an important site before Snorri’s arrival, serving as the seat of chieftains and an important religious and political center.

The essays in this volume cast new light on Snorri, the place in which he chose to live, and how his presence enhanced Reykhol’s political and cultural importance. The contributors use interdisciplinary methods to provide a better understanding of the process of centralization of power during the Commonwealth period in Iceland (930–1262), the creation of political and ecclesiastical centers, land use and settlement development, and the creation of literature, all through the example of Reykhol in the time of Snorri.

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A Story of Immigration
Four Hundred Years of Jews in Denmark

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The rescue of the Danish Jews in 1943 is known all over the world. What is less known is the history of Jewish immigration to Denmark, which stretches back more than four hundred years.

A Story of Immigration chronicles this important history and sheds light on the generally successful, but also at times difficult and challenging, integration of Danish Jews into Danish society. The contributors discuss the challenges and skepticism that Danish Jews encountered, in particular in the early nineteenth century when they were victims of persecution. But central to this historical narrative are the many ways in which Jews were integral to Danish society—particularly the successful contributions of Jews to the sciences, business, arts and culture, and social life in general.

This richly illustrated volume offers a fascinating tour through Danish-Jewish history that will be of interest to students, scholars, and general readers.

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The Fertile Crescent region—the swath of land comprising a vast portion of today’s Middle East—has long been regarded as pivotal to the rise of civilization. Alongside the story of human development, innovation, and progress, there is a culinary tradition of equal richness and importance.

In The Culinary Crescent: A History of Middle Eastern Cuisine, Peter Heine combines years of scholarship with a personal passion: his knowledge of the cookery traditions of the Umayyad, Abbasid, Ottoman, Safavid, and Mughal courts is matched only by his love for the tastes and smells produced by the contemporary cooking of these areas today. In addition to offering a fascinating history, Heine presents more than one hundred recipes—from the modest to the extravagant—with dishes ranging from those created by the “celebrity chefs” of the bygone Mughal era, up to gastronomically complex presentations of modern times.

Beautifully produced, designed for both reading and cooking, and lavishly illustrated throughout, The Culinary Crescent is sure to provide a delectable window in the history of food in the Middle East.

Peter Heine taught at the University of Münster and Bonn and until 2009 was Professor for Islamic Studies at the Humboldt-University in Berlin. Peter Lewis is the translator of such works as Roger Willemsen’s The Ends of the Earth and Jonas Lüscher’s Barbarian Spring.
A century ago, as World War I got underway, the Middle East was dominated, as it had been for centuries, by the Ottoman Empire. But, by 1923, its political shape had changed beyond recognition, as the collapse of the Ottoman Empire and the insistent claims of Arab and Turkish nationalism and Zionism led to a redrawing of borders and shuffling of alliances—a transformation whose consequences are still felt today.

This fully revised and updated second edition of Making the Modern Middle East traces those changes and the ensuing history of the region through the rest of the twentieth century and on to the present. Focusing in particular on three leaders—Emir Feisal, Mustafa Kemal, and Chaim Weizmann—the book offers a clear, authoritative account of the region seen from a transnational perspective, one that enables readers to understand its complex history and the way it affects present-day events.

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