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Most economists would agree that a thriving economy is synonymous with GDP growth. The more we produce and consume, the higher our living standard and the more resources available to the public. This means that our current era, in which growth has slowed substantially from its postwar highs, has raised alarm bells. But should it? Is growth actually the best way to measure economic success—and does our slowdown indicate economic problems?

The counterintuitive answer Dietrich Vollrath offers is: No. Looking at the same facts as other economists, he offers a radically different interpretation. Rather than a sign of economic failure, he argues, our current slowdown is, in fact, a sign of our widespread economic success. Our powerful economy has already supplied so much of the necessary stuff of modern life, brought us so much comfort, security, and luxury, that we have turned to new forms of production and consumption that increase our well-being but do not contribute to growth in GDP.

In *Fully Grown*, Vollrath offers a powerful case to support that argument. He explores a number of important trends in the US economy: including a decrease in the number of workers relative to the population, a shift from a goods-driven economy to a services-driven one, and a decline in geographic mobility. In each case, he shows how their economic effects could be read as a sign of success, even though they each act as a brake of GDP growth. He also reveals what growth measurement can and cannot tell us—which factors are rightly correlated with economic success, which tell us nothing about significant changes in the economy, and which fall into a conspicuously gray area.

Sure to be controversial, *Fully Grown* will reset the terms of economic debate and help us think anew about what a successful economy looks like.

Dietrich Vollrath is professor of economics at the University of Houston. He is coauthor of *Introduction to Economic Growth*, now in its third edition, and writes the *Growth Economics Blog*.
Ahab’s Rolling Sea
A Natural History of *Moby-Dick*

Although *Moby-Dick* is beloved as one of the most enduring works of American fiction, we rarely consider it a work of nature writing—or even a novel of the sea. Yet Pulitzer Prize–winning author Annie Dillard avers *Moby-Dick* is the “best book ever written about nature,” and nearly the entirety of the story is set on the waves. In fact, Ishmael’s sea yarn is in conversation with the nature writing of Emerson and Thoreau, and Melville himself did much more than live for a year in a cabin beside a pond. He set sail: to the far remote Pacific Ocean, spending more than three years at sea before writing his masterpiece in 1851.

A revelation for *Moby-Dick* devotees and neophytes alike, *Ahab’s Rolling Sea* is a chronological journey through the natural history of Melville’s novel. From white whales to whale intelligence, giant squids, barnacles, albatross, and sharks, Richard J. King examines what Melville knew from his own experiences and the sources available to a reader in the mid-1800s, exploring how and why Melville might have twisted what was known to serve his fiction. King then climbs to the crow’s nest, setting Melville in the context of the American perception of the ocean in 1851—at the very start of the Industrial Revolution and just before the publication of *On the Origin of Species*. King compares Ahab’s and Ishmael’s worldviews to how we see the ocean today: an expanse still immortal and sublime, but also in crisis. And although the concept of stewardship of the sea would have been foreign to Melville, King argues that Melville’s narrator Ishmael reveals his own tendencies toward what we would now call environmentalism.

Featuring a coffer of illustrations and interviews with contemporary scientists, fishers, and whale watch operators, *Ahab’s Rolling Sea* offers new insight into a cherished masterwork and our evolving relationship with the briny deep—from whale hunters to climate refugees.

Richard J. King is visiting associate professor of maritime literature and history at the Sea Education Association in Woods Hole, Massachusetts. He is the author of *Lobster* and *The Devil’s Cormorant: A Natural History*. 
Two summers ago, scientists removed a tiny piece of flesh from Philip Ball’s arm and turned it into a rudimentary “mini-brain.” The skin cells, removed from his body, did not die but were instead transformed into nerve cells that independently arranged themselves into a dense network and communicated with each other, exchanging the raw signals of thought. This was life—but whose?

In his most mind-bending book yet, Ball makes that disconcerting question the focus of a tour through what scientists can now do in cell biology and tissue culture. He shows how these technologies could lead to tailor-made replacement organs for when ours fail, to new medical advances for repairing damage and assisting conception, and to new ways of “growing a human.” For example, it might prove possible to turn skin cells not into neurons but into eggs and sperm, or even to turn oneself into the constituent cells of embryos. Such methods would also create new options for gene editing, with all the attendant moral dilemmas. Ball argues that such advances can therefore never be about “just the science,” because they come already surrounded by a host of social narratives, preconceptions, and prejudices. But beyond even that, these developments raise questions about identity and self, birth and death, and force us to ask how mutable the human body really is—and what forms it might take in years to come.

Philip Ball is a writer, author, and broadcaster, and he 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 several books, including, most recently, Beyond Weird, also published by the University of Chicago Press. He lives in London.
 Few American cities possess a history as long, rich, and fascinating as Boston’s. A site of momentous national political events from the Revolutionary War through the civil rights movement, Boston has also been an influential literary and cultural capital. From ancient glaciers to landmaking schemes and modern infrastructure projects, the city’s terrain has been transformed almost constantly over the centuries. *The Atlas of Boston History* traces the city’s history and geography from the last ice age to the present with beautifully rendered maps.

Edited by historian Nancy S. Seasholes, this landmark volume captures all aspects of Boston’s past in a series of fifty-seven stunning full-color spreads. Each section features newly created thematic maps that focus on moments and topics in that history. These maps are accompanied by hundreds of historical and contemporary photographs and explanatory text from historians and other expert contributors. They illuminate a wide range of topics including Boston’s physical and economic development, changing demography, and social and cultural life.

*Nancy S. Seasholes* is a historian and historical archaeologist who works as an independent scholar. Her books include *Gaining Ground: A History of Landmaking in Boston* and *Walking Tours of Boston’s Made Land*. 
Paul Anthony Jones is a writer, etymologist, and language blogger. He is the author of several books on language, including, most recently, *The Accidental Dictionary*. He shares his linguistic discoveries via the Twitter account @HaggardHawks, which was named one of Twitter’s best language accounts by *Mental Floss*. He lives in Newcastle upon Tyne.

Open *The Cabinet of Linguistic Curiosities* and you’ll find both a word and a day to remember, every day of the year. Each day has its own dedicated entry, on which a curious or notable event—and an equally curious or notable word—are explored.

On the day on which flirting was banned in New York City, for instance, you’ll discover why to “sheep’s-eye” someone once meant to look at them amorously. On the day on which a disillusioned San Franciscan declared himself Emperor of the United States, you’ll find the word “mamamouchi,” a term for people who consider themselves more important than they truly are. And on the day on which George Frideric Handel completed his 259-page *Messiah* after twenty-four days of frenzied work, you’ll see why a French loanword, literally meaning “a small wooden barrow,” is used to refer to an intense period of work undertaken to meet a deadline.

The English language is vast enough to supply us with a word for every occasion—and this linguistic “wunderkammer” is here to prove precisely that. So whatever date this book has found its way into your hands, there’s an entire year’s worth of linguistic curiosities waiting to be found.

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What is life? For generations, scientists have struggled to make sense of this fundamental question, for life really does look like magic: even a humble bacterium accomplishes things so daunting that no human engineer can match it. Huge advances in molecular biology over the past few decades have served only to deepen the mystery.

In this penetrating and wide-ranging book, world-renowned physicist and science communicator Paul Davies searches for answers in a field so new and fast-moving that it lacks a name; it is a domain where biology, computing, logic, chemistry, quantum physics, and nanotechnology intersect. At the heart of these diverse fields, Davies explains, is the concept of information: a quantity which has the power to unify biology with physics, transform technology and medicine, and force us to fundamentally reconsider what it means to be alive—even illuminating the age-old question of whether we are alone in the universe.

From life’s murky origins to the microscopic engines that run the cells of our bodies, The Demon in the Machine journeys across an astounding landscape of cutting-edge science. Weaving together cancer and consciousness, two-headed worms and bird navigation, Davies reveals how biological organisms garner and process information to conjure order out of chaos, opening a window onto the secret of life itself.

Paul Davies is a theoretical physicist, cosmologist, astrobiologist, broadcaster, and bestselling author of more than twenty books. A winner of the prestigious Templeton Prize, he is Regents Professor of physics and director of the Beyond Center for Fundamental Concepts in Science at Arizona State University.
For many people, the story of Charles Darwin goes like this: he ventured to the Galapagos Islands on *The Beagle*, was inspired by the biodiversity of the birds he saw there, and immediately returned home to write his theory of evolution. But this simplified narrative is inaccurate and lacking; it leaves out a major part of Darwin’s legacy. He published *On the Origin of Species* nearly thirty years after his voyages. And much of his life was spent experimenting with and observing plants.

Darwin was a brilliant and revolutionary botanist whose observations and theories were far ahead of his time. With *Darwin’s Most Wonderful Plants*, biologist and gardening expert Ken Thompson wants to restore this important aspect of Darwin’s biography while also delighting in the botanical discoveries that captivated the famous scientist. Thompson traces how well Darwin’s discoveries have held up, revealing that many are remarkably long-lasting. Some findings are only now being confirmed and extended by high-tech modern research, while some have been corrected through recent analysis.

We learn from Thompson how Darwin used plants to shape his most famous theory and then later how Darwin used that theory to further push the boundaries of botanical knowledge. We also get to experience looking over Darwin’s shoulder as he works, learning more about his approach to research and his astonishing capacity for hard work. Darwin’s genius was to see the wonder and the significance in the ordinary and mundane, in the things that most people wouldn’t look at twice.

Both Thompson and Darwin share a love for the botanical world and the remarkable secrets it can unlock. This book will instill that same joy in casual gardeners and botany aficionados alike.

Ken Thompson is an independent senior research fellow in the Department of Animal and Plant Sciences at the University of Sheffield and is former director of the Buxton Climate Change Impacts Laboratory. His recent books include *Do We Need Pandas? The Uncomfortable Truth about Biodiversity; Where do Camels Belong? The Story and Science of Invasive Species; and The Skeptical Gardener: The Thinking Person’s Guide to Good Gardening.*
The human history of depicting birds dates to as many as 40,000 years ago, when Paleolithic artists took to cave walls to capture winged and other beasts. But the art form has reached its peak in the last four hundred years. In *The Art of the Bird*, devout birder and ornithologist Roger J. Lederer celebrates this heyday of avian illustration in forty artists’ profiles, beginning with the work of Flemish painter Frans Snyders in the early 1600s and continuing through to contemporary artists like Elizabeth Butterworth, famed for her portraits of macaws. Stretching its wings across time, taxa, geography, and artistic style—from the celebrated realism of American conservation icon John James Audubon, to Elizabeth Gould’s nineteenth-century renderings of museum specimens from the Himalayas, to Swedish artist and ornithologist Lars Jonsson’s ethereal watercolors—this book is feathered with art and artists as diverse and beautiful as their subjects. A soaring exploration of our fascination with the avian form, *The Art of the Bird* is a testament to the ways in which the intense observation inherent in both art and science reveals the mysteries of the natural world.

*Roger J. Lederer* is professor emeritus of biological sciences at California State University, Chico, where he taught courses on ornithology and ecology. He is the author of *Beaks, Bones, and Bird Songs: How the Struggle for Survival Has Shaped Birds and Their Behavior*; coauthor of *Latin for Bird Lovers*; and creator of Ornithology.com.
We know ancient Greece, the civilization that shares the same name and gave us much that defines Western culture today. Yet, as financial crises have convulsed Greece repeatedly since 2010, worldwide coverage has revealed just how poorly we grasp the modern nation. This book sets out to understand the modern Greeks on their own terms.

How did Greece come to be so powerfully attached to the legacy of the ancients in the first place and then define an identity for itself that is at once Greek and modern? This book reveals the remarkable achievement, during the last three hundred years, of building a modern nation on the ruins of a vanished civilization—sometimes literally so. This is the story of the Greek nation-state but also, and more fundamentally, of the collective identity that goes with it. It is not only a history of events and high politics; it is also a history of culture, of the arts, of people, and of ideas.

Opening with the birth of the Greek nation-state, which emerged from encounters between Christian Europe and the Ottoman Empire, Roderick Beaton carries his story into the present moment and Greece’s contentious post-recession relationship with the rest of the European Union. Through close examination of how Greeks have understood their shared identity, Beaton reveals a centuries-old tension over the Greek sense of self. How does Greece illuminate the difference between a geographically bounded state and the shared history and culture that make up a nation?

A magisterial look at the development of a national identity through history, *Greece: Biography of a Modern Nation* is singular in its approach. By treating modern Greece as a biographical subject, a living entity in its own right, Beaton encourages us to take a fresh look at a people and culture long celebrated for their past, even as they strive to build a future as part of the modern West.

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*Praise for the UK edition*

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—*Financial Times*, on the UK Edition

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*Roderick Beaton* is Emeritus Koraes Professor of Modern Greek and Byzantine History, Language and Literature at King’s College London. He is the author or editor of multiple books, including, most recently, *Byron’s War: Romantic Rebellion, Greek Revolution*. 

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Waters of the World
The Story of the Scientists Who Unraveled the Mysteries of Our Oceans, Atmosphere, and Ice Sheets and Made the Planet Whole

From the glaciers of the Alps to the towering cumulonimbus clouds of the Caribbean and the unexpectedly chaotic flows of the North Atlantic, Waters of the World is a tour through 150 years of the history of a significant but underappreciated idea: that the Earth has a global climate system made up of interconnected parts, constantly changing on all scales of both time and space. A prerequisite for the discovery of global warming and climate change, this idea was forged by scientists studying water in its myriad forms. This is their story.

Linking the history of the planet with the lives of those who studied it, Sarah Dry follows the remarkable scientists who summited volcanic peaks to peer through an atmosphere’s worth of water vapor, cored mile-thick ice sheets to uncover the Earth’s ancient climate history, and flew inside storm clouds to understand how small changes in energy can produce both massive storms and the general circulation of the Earth’s atmosphere. Each toiled on his or her own corner of the planetary puzzle. Gradually, their cumulative discoveries coalesced into a unified working theory of our planet’s climate.

We now call this field climate science, and in recent years it has provoked great passions, anxieties, and warnings. But no less than the object of its study, the science of water and climate is—and always has been—evolving. By revealing the complexity of this history, Waters of the World delivers a better understanding of our planet’s climate at a time when we need it the most.

Sarah Dry is a writer and historian of science who has immersed herself in the history of meteorology and climate for more than ten years. She is the author of Curie and The Newton Papers: The Strange and True Odyssey of Isaac Newton’s Manuscripts. Born and raised in Philadelphia, she now lives in Oxford, UK, with her family, and is on the board of the Science Museum Group.
Every May, a sea of 250,000 people decked out in red and white head to Chicago’s Loop to celebrate the Polish Constitution Day Parade. In the city, you can tune into not one but four different Polish-language radio stations or jam out to the Polkaholics. You can have lunch at pierogi food trucks or pick up paczkis at the grocery store. And if you’re lucky, you get to take off Casimir Pulaski Day. For more than a century, Chicago has been home to one of the largest Polish populations outside of Poland, and the group has had enormous influence on the city’s culture and politics. Yet, until now, there has not been a comprehensive history of the Chicago Polonia.

With American Warsaw, award-winning historian and Polish American Dominic A. Pacyga chronicles more than a century of immigration, and later emigration back to Poland, showing how the community has continually redefined what it means to be Polish in Chicago. He takes us from the Civil War era until today, focusing on how three major waves of immigrants, refugees, and fortune seekers shaped and then redefined the Polonia. Pacyga also traces the movement of Polish immigrants from the peasantry to the middle class and from urban working-class districts dominated by major industries to suburbia. He documents Polish Chicago’s alignments and divisions: with other Chicago ethnic groups; with the Catholic Church; with unions, politicians, and City Hall; and even among its own members. And he explores the ever-shifting sense of Polskosc, or “Polishness.” American Warsaw is a sweeping story that expertly depicts a people who are deeply connected to their historical home and, at the same time, fiercely proud of their adopted city. As Pacyga writes, “While we were Americans, we also considered ourselves to be Poles. In that strange Chicago ethnic way, there was no real difference between the two.”

Dominic A. Pacyga is professor emeritus of history in the Department of Humanities, History, and Social Sciences at Columbia College Chicago. His books include Polish Immigrants and Industrial Chicago: Workers on the South Side, 1880–1922; Chicago: A Biography; and Slaughterhouse: Chicago’s Union Stock Yard and the World It Made, all from the University of Chicago Press. Pacyga is the 2014 Mieczyslaw Haiman Award winner for exceptional and sustained contribution to the study of Polish Americans.
The World of Juliette Kinzie
Chicago before the Fire

When Juliette Kinzie first visited Chicago in 1831, it was anything but a city. An outpost in the shadow of Fort Dearborn, it had no streets, no sidewalks, no schools, no river-spanning bridges. In the decades that followed, not only did Juliette witness the city’s transition, but she was instrumental in its development. Juliette is also one of Chicago’s forgotten founders. Early Chicago is often presented as “a man’s city,” but women like Juliette worked to create an urban and urbane world, often within their own parlors. With The World of Juliette Kinzie, we finally get to experience the rise of Chicago from the view of one of its most important founding mothers.

Ann Durkin Keating, one of the foremost experts on nineteenth-century Chicago, offers a moving portrait of a trailblazing and complicated woman. Keating takes us to the corner of Cass and Michigan (now Wabash and Hubbard), Juliette’s home base. Through Juliette’s eyes, our understanding of early Chicago expands from a city of boosters and speculators to include the world women created in and between households. We see the development of Chicago society, first inspired by cities in the East and later coming into its own midwestern ways. We also see the city become a community, as it developed its intertwined religious, social, educational, and cultural institutions. Keating draws on a wealth of sources, including hundreds of Juliette’s personal letters, allowing Juliette to tell much of her story in her own words.

Juliette’s death in 1870, just a year before the infamous fire, seemed almost prescient. She left her beloved Chicago right before the physical city as she knew it vanished into the flames. But now her history lives on. The World of Juliette Kinzie offers a new perspective on Chicago’s past and is a fitting tribute to one of the first women historians in the United States.

Ann Durkin Keating is the Dr. C. Frederick Toenniges Professor of History at North Central College in Naperville, Illinois. She is the coeditor of The Encyclopedia of Chicago, editor of Chicago Neighborhoods and Suburbs: A Historical Guide, and author of Rising Up from Indian Country: The Battle of Fort Dearborn and the Birth of Chicago, all published by the University of Chicago Press.
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The Daily Sherlock Holmes

A Year of Quotes from the Case-book of the World’s Greatest Detective

Edited by Levi Stahl and Stacey Shintani

With a Foreword by Michael Sims

“Dr. Watson, Mr. Sherlock Holmes,” said Stamford, introducing us. “How are you?” he said cordially, gripping my hand with a strength for which I should hardly have given him credit. “You have been in Afghanistan, I perceive.” “How on earth did you know that?” I asked in astonishment. “Never mind,” said he, chuckling to himself.

At that first sight of Watson, Sherlock Holmes made brilliant deductions. But even he couldn’t know that their meeting was inaugurating a friendship that would make himself and the good Doctor cultural icons, as popular as ever more than a century after their 1887 debut. Through four novels and fifty-six stories, Arthur Conan Doyle led the pair through dramatic adventures that continue to thrill readers today, offering an unmatched combination of skillful plotting, period detail, humor, and distinctive characters. For a Holmes fan, there are few pleasures comparable to returning to his richly imagined world—the gaslit streets of Victorian London, the companionable clutter of 221B Baker Street, the reliable fuddlement (and nerves of steel) of Watson, the perversive genius of Holmes himself.

It’s all there in The Daily Sherlock Holmes, the perfect bedside companion for fans of the world’s only consulting detective. Within these pages readers will find a quotation for every day of the year, drawn from across the Conan Doyle canon. Beloved characters and familiar lines recall favorite stories and scenes, while other passages remind us that Conan Doyle had a way with description and a ready wit. No book published this year will bring a Holmes fan more pleasure. Come, readers. The game is afoot.

Arthur Conan Doyle (1859–1930) was a doctor and writer. In addition to creating Holmes and Watson, he wrote numerous fantasy, science fiction, and adventure stories. Levi Stahl is the marketing director of the University of Chicago Press and the editor of The Getaway Car: A Donald E. Westlake Nonfiction Miscellany. Stacey Shintani is a designer and project manager.
The Daily Jane Austen
A Year of Quotes
Edited and with a Foreword by Devoney Looser

It is a truth universally acknowledged that Jane Austen is eminently, delightfully, and delectably quotable. This truth goes far beyond the first line of Pride and Prejudice, which has muscled out many other excellent sentences. So many gems of wit and wisdom from her novels deserve to be better known, from Northanger Abbey on its lovable, naïve heroine—"if adventures will not befall a young lady in her own village, she must seek them abroad"—to Persuasion's moving lines of love from its regret-filled hero: "You pierce my soul. I am half agony, half hope. Tell me not that I am too late."

The 378 genuine, Austen-authored quotations in this book may serve as an introduction to her genius, for those who have yet to discover it, or as a happy reminder of past joys of reading, for those already well-versed in her world. Devoney Looser, a.k.a. Stone Cold Jane Austen, has drawn these passages from a variety of texts across the canon—from Austen's major novels to her epistolary works to the raucous writings of her youth—resulting in an anthology that is compulsively readable and repeatable.

Looser provides a brilliant foreword and introduces each month with a longer seasonal quote, while concise bits of wit and wisdom mark each day. Whether you approach the collection on a one-a-day model or in a satisfying binge read, you will emerge wiser about Austen, if not about life. The Daily Jane Austen will amuse and inspire skeptical beginners, Janeite experts, and every reader in between, by showcasing some of the greatest sentences ever crafted in the history of fiction.

Jane Austen (1775–1817) is regarded by many as one of the greatest writers in the English language. Though her work was not widely known during her lifetime, Austen is today a household name, and her six full-length novels are considered timeless literary classics. Devoney Looser is Foundation Professor of English at Arizona State University, a Guggenheim Fellow, and a National Endowment for the Humanities Public Scholar. She is the author of many books, including, most recently, The Making of Jane Austen. Her writing has appeared in the Atlantic, New York Times, Salon, Times Literary Supplement, and Entertainment Weekly.
What does democracy look like? And when should people cause trouble to pursue it? *Troublemakers* fuses photography and history to demonstrate how racial and economic inequality gave rise to a decades-long struggle for justice in a postwar American city.

Drawing on 247 of Art Shay’s photographs, Erik S. Gellman takes a new look at major developments in postwar US history: the Second Great Migration, “white flight,” and neighborhood and street conflicts, as well as shifting party politics and the growth of the carceral state. Unlike many histories that use images to support a narrative, Gellman’s writing is deeply informed by and in dialogue with Shay’s photos. The result is a visual and written history that complicates—and even upends—the morality tales and popular memory of postwar freedom struggles.

Art Shay himself was a “troublemaker,” seeking to unsettle society by reflecting back to it truths that many middle-class, white, media, political, and business people pretended did not exist. Working for himself, Shay wandered the city photographing whatever caught his eye—and much did. His lens captured everything from private moments of rebellion to era-defining public movements, as he sought to understand the creative and destructive energies that have propelled freedom struggles in the Windy City.

Shay illuminated the pain and ecstasy that sprang up from the streets of Chicago, while Gellman reveals their collective impact on the urban fabric and on our national narrative. This collaboration offers a fresh and timely look at how social conflict can shape a city—and may even inspire us to make trouble today.

*Erik S. Gellman* is associate professor of history at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. His other books include *Death Blow to Jim Crow: The National Negro Congress and the Rise of Militant Civil Rights* and *The Gospel of the Working Class: Labor’s Southern Prophets in New Deal America*. *Art Shay* (1922–2018) was a prolific photographer who captured many critical moments in Chicago’s postwar urban history.
There’s a reason we pay top dollar for champagne and that bottles of wine from prestige vineyards cost as much as a car: a place’s distinct geographical attributes, known as terroir to wine buffs, determine the unique profile of a wine—and some rarer locales produce wines that are particularly coveted. In *Volcanoes and Wine*, geologist Charles Frankel introduces us to the volcanoes that are among the most dramatic and ideal landscapes for wine making.

Traveling across regions well known to wine lovers like Sicily, Oregon, and California, as well as the less familiar places, such as the Canary Islands, Frankel gives an in-depth account of famous volcanoes and the wines that spring from their idiosyncratic soils. From Santorini’s vineyards of rocky pumice dating back to a four-thousand-year-old eruption to grapes growing in craters dug in the earth of the Canary Islands, from Vesuvius’s famous Lacryma Christi to the ambitious new generation of wine growers reviving the traditional grapes of Mount Etna, Frankel takes us across the stunning and dangerous world of volcanic wines. He details each volcano’s most famous eruptions, the grapes that grow in its soils, and the people who make their homes on its slopes, adapting to an ever-menacing landscape. In addition to introducing the history and geology of these volcanoes, Frankel’s book serves as a travel guide, offering a host of tips ranging from prominent vineyards to visit to scenic hikes in each location.

This illuminating guide will be indispensable for wine lovers looking to learn more about volcanic terroirs, as well as anyone curious about how cultural heritage can survive and thrive in the shadow of geological danger.

Charles Frankel is a science writer and lecturer specializing in geology, volcanology, and terroir. He is the author of many books in French and English, including *Land and Wine: The French Terroir*, also published by the University of Chicago Press.
“Humane hands of care molded The Torture Letters in striking contrast to the torturers and complicit powers those very hands exposed. Carefully conceptualized, carefully researched, and carefully written, Ralph's book reveals a tragic history of police torture in Chicago and a heroic struggle to secure justice for survivors. This book is indispensable.”

—Ibram X. Kendi, National Book Award–winning author of Stamped from the Beginning

**The Torture Letters**

Laurence Ralph chronicles the history of torture in Chicago, the burgeoning activist movement against police violence, and the American public’s complicity in perpetuating torture at home and abroad. Engaging with a long tradition of epistolary meditations on racism in the United States, from James Baldwin’s *The Fire Next Time* to Ta-Nehisi Coates’s *Between the World and Me*, Ralph offers in this book a collection of open letters written to protesters, victims, students, and others. Through these letters, Ralph bears witness to police violence that began in Burge’s Area Two and follows the city’s networks of torture to the global War on Terror. From Vietnam to Geneva to Guantanamo Bay—Ralph’s story extends as far as the legacy of American imperialism.

Combining insights from fourteen years of research on torture with testimonies of victims of police violence, retired officers, lawyers, and protesters, this is a powerful indictment of police violence and a fierce challenge to all Americans to demand an end to the systems that support it.

Laurence Ralph is a professor of anthropology at Princeton University. He is the author of Renegade Dreams: Living with Injury in Gangland Chicago, also published by the University of Chicago Press.
Gentrification is transforming cities, small and large, across the country. Though it’s easy to bemoan the diminished social diversity and transformation of commercial strips that often signify a gentrifying neighborhood, determining who actually benefits and who suffers from this nebulous process can be much harder. The full story of gentrification is rooted in large-scale social and economic forces as well as in extremely local specifics—in short, it’s far more complicated than both its supporters and detractors allow.

In *Newcomers*, journalist Matthew L. Schuerman explains how a phenomenon that began with good intentions has turned into one of the most vexing social problems of our time. He builds a national story using focused histories of northwest Brooklyn, San Francisco’s Mission District, and the onetime site of Chicago’s Cabrini-Green housing project, revealing both the commonalities among all three and the place-specific drivers of change. Schuerman argues that gentrification has become a too-easy flashpoint for all kinds of quasi-populist rage and pro-growth boosterism. In *Newcomers*, he doesn’t condemn gentrifiers as a whole, but rather articulates what it is they actually do, showing not only how community development can turn foul, but also instances when a “better” neighborhood truly results from changes that are good. Schuerman draws no easy conclusions, using his keen reportorial eye to create sharp, but fair, portraits of the people caught up in gentrification, the people who cause it, and its effects on the lives of everyone who calls a city home.

Matthew L. Schuerman is senior editor at WNYC and has written for the *New York Observer, Fortune,* and *Village Voice.*
**Stefano Bloch**

**Going All City**

Struggle and Survival in LA’s Graffiti Subculture

“We were just regular kids growing up hard in America and making the city our own. Being ‘writers’ gave us something to live for and ‘going all city’ gave us something to strive for; and for some of my friends it was something to die for.”

In the age of Banksy, hipster street art, and commissioned wall murals, it’s easy to forget graffiti’s complicated and often violent past in the United States. Though graffiti has become one of the most influential art forms of the twenty-first century, cities across the United States waged a war against it from the late 1970s to the early 2000s, complete with brutal police task forces. Who were the much-maligned taggers they targeted? Teenagers, usually, from low-income neighborhoods with little to their names except a few spray cans and a desperate need to be seen—to mark their presence on city walls and buildings even as their cities turned a blind eye to them.

*Going All City* is the mesmerizing and painful story of these young graffiti writers, told by one of their own. Prolific LA writer Stefano Bloch came of age in the late 1990s amid constant violence, poverty, and vulnerability. He recounts vicious interactions with police; debating whether to take undocumented friends with gunshot wounds to the hospital; coping with his mother’s heroin addiction; instability and homelessness; and his dread that his stepfather would get out of jail and tip his unstable life into full-blown chaos. But he also recalls moments of peace and exhilaration: marking a fresh tag; the thrill of running with his crew at night; exploring the secret landscape of LA; the dream and success of going all city.

Bloch holds nothing back in this fierce, poignant memoir. *Going All City* is an unflinching portrait of a deeply maligned subculture and an unforgettable account of what writing on city walls means to the most vulnerable people living within them.

Stefano Bloch is a cultural and urban geographer and a semi-retired graffiti writer from Los Angeles. He is assistant professor in the School of Geography and Development at the University of Arizona, where he is also faculty in the Graduate Interdisciplinary Program in Social, Cultural, and Critical Theory and affiliated with the Center for Latin American Studies.
Remarkable Trees

For as long as there have been humans, trees have been central to our existence. They provide us with vital ingredients for life—food, medicine, materials, even the oxygen we breathe. Ecologically they are crucial in controlling pollution and moderating climate, and culturally they are at the center of our religion, folklore, and art. It has also been shown that, as well as greening our lives, they can improve our health and mental well-being.

Remarkable Trees tells the unique story of more than sixty species, each selected for their resonance and connection with humankind. In portraits that combine vivid cultural and historical narrative with a firm scientific grounding, Christina Harrison and Tony Kirkham reveal fascinating details of trees from around the world’s major zones and ecologies. Some are obvious superstars, like oaks, redwoods, and apple trees, while others are more surprising varieties: We learn of the monkey puzzle, a tree native to Chile that “can grow for 1,000 years,” and of the manchineel, a tree that contains sap so toxic to human skin that it’s a risk to stand beneath it on a rainy day. In these pages are trees that are healers and killers, trees that serve as foundations of great buildings and grand feasts, and trees that leave us feeling wondrous and worried for their survival.

In a tribute to the artists and botanists who have been inspired by trees for centuries, this book is filled with more than two hundred delightful illustrations. The varied and beautiful range of images come from the unrivaled archive at England’s Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, and they bring this enlightening and enchanting volume to life.

While trees have supported us for millennia, we have recently lost that direct, deep connection with them. Harrison and Kirkham remind us that we do not have to look far to reestablish that relationship. The stories revealed in Remarkable Trees remind us of why we should take the time to appreciate and care for these quiet giants that will forever be an intimate part of our culture, our past, and our future.

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Ilana Hammerman is an editor at Achuzat Bayit Books in Israel and was editor-in-chief at Am Oved Publishers. She is a columnist for the Israeli newspaper Haaretz. Hammerman is the author of five books: *Nazism as Reflected in Contemporary German Literature; Soldiers in the Land of Ishmael: Stories and Documents; Cancer Zone of No Return; From Beirut to Jenin: The Lebanon War 1982–2002;* and *In Foreign Parts: Trafficking Women in Israel.*
The View from Somewhere
Undoing the Myth of Journalistic Objectivity

MeToo. #BlackLivesMatter. #NeverAgain. #WontBeErased. Though both the right- and left-wing media claim “objectivity” in their reporting of these and other contentious issues, the American public has become increasingly cynical about truth, fact, and reality. In The View from Somewhere, Lewis Raven Wallace dives deep into the history of “objectivity” in journalism and how it’s been used to gatekeep and silence marginalized writers as far back as Ida B. Wells.

At its core, this is a book about fierce journalists who have pursued truth and transparency and sometimes been punished for it—not just by tyrannical governments but by journalistic institutions themselves. He highlights the stories of journalists who question “objectivity” with sensitivity and passion. Wallace also shares his own experiences as a midwestern transgender journalist and activist who was fired from his job as a national reporter for public radio for speaking out against “objectivity” in coverage of Trump and white supremacy.

With insightful steps through history, Wallace stresses that journalists have never been mere passive observers—the choices they make reflect worldviews tinted by race, class, gender, and geography. Using historical and contemporary examples—from lynching in the nineteenth century to transgender issues in the twenty-first—Wallace offers a definitive critique of “objectivity” as a catchall for accurate journalism.

Now more than ever, journalism that resists extractive, exploitive, and tokenistic practices toward marginalized people isn’t just important—it is essential. Combining Wallace’s intellectual and emotional journey with the wisdom of others’ experiences, The View from Somewhere is a compelling rallying cry against journalist neutrality and for the validity of news told from distinctly subjective voices.

Lewis Raven Wallace is an independent journalist, a contributing editor at Scalawag Magazine, and the host of The View from Somewhere podcast. He previously worked in public radio and is a longtime activist engaged in prison issues, racial justice, and queer and trans liberation. He is a white transgender person from the Midwest and is now based in Durham, North Carolina.
Pierre Boulez

Music Lessons
The Collège de France Lectures

Edited and Translated by Jonathan Dunsby, Jonathan Goldman, and Arnold Whittall

With a Foreword by Jean-Jacques Nattiez

Music Lessons marks the first publication in English of a groundbreaking group of writings by French composer Pierre Boulez, his yearly lectures prepared for the Collège de France between 1976 and 1995. The lectures presented here offer a sustained intellectual engagement with themes of creativity in music by a widely influential cultural figure, who has long been central to the conversation around contemporary music. In his essays Boulez explores, among other topics, the process through which a musical idea is realized in a full-fledged composition, the complementary roles of craft and inspiration, and the degree to which the memory of other musical works can influence and change the act of creation. Boulez also gives a penetrating account of problems in classical music that are still present today, such as the often crippling conservatism of established musical institutions. Woven into the discussion are stories of his own compositions and those of fellow composers whose work he championed, as both a critic and conductor: from Stravinsky to Stockhausen and Varèse, from Bartók to Berg, Debussy to Mahler and Wagner, and all the way back to Bach.

Including a foreword by semiologist Jean-Jacques Nattiez, who was for years a close collaborator and friend of the composer, this edition is also enriched by an illuminating preface by Jonathan Goldman. With a masterful translation retaining Boulez’s fierce convictions, cutting opinions, and signature wit, Music Lessons will be an essential and entertaining volume.

Pierre Boulez (1925–2016) was a French composer, conductor, and music theorist. He conducted with major orchestras in the United States and Europe, including the Cleveland Orchestra, the BBC Symphony Orchestra, the New York Philharmonic, the Chicago Symphony, and the Berlin Philharmonic. Jonathan Dunsby is professor of music theory at the Eastman School of Music, University of Rochester. Jonathan Goldman is associate professor of musicology at the University of Montreal. Arnold Whittall is emeritus professor of music at King’s College London.
Celebrity has long been tied to political aspirations in American history. Decades before the United States had a president from the realm of reality TV or the movies, we had scores of politicians with strong connections to the world of country music. Performers of so-called old-time, hillbilly, and country music not only used their popularity to attract votes but also became major supporters of nonmusical politicians. Tracing the long intertwining histories of country music and US politics gives us more than a sideways history of American populism and conservatism; it gives us a new view of the complexities of the American political character.

In *I’d Fight the World*, Peter La Chapelle traces the bonds between country music and politics, from the rise of amateur fiddler-politicians—such as populist firebrand Tom Watson and Tennessee governors Bob and Alf Taylor in the nineteenth century—to twentieth-century figures like Pappy O’Daniel, Roy Acuff, George C. Wallace, Al Gore Sr., and Richard Nixon, who all played or harnessed music for electoral success. La Chapelle brings the story to the present with examinations of the campaigns of musician-candidates like Kinky Friedman and Rob Quist, as well as recent political endorsements from figures like Hank Williams Jr., Ralph Stanley, and Willie Nelson. The performers and politicians in *I’d Fight the World* both ride with and push against the prevailing cultural winds, with some acting as advocates for the rural poor and dispossessed and others giving voice to religious and racially based anger. La Chapelle convincingly argues that country music campaigning has not only helped elect more celebrities than any other sector of entertainment but has profoundly influenced the American political landscape itself. These musicians and politicians walked the line between exploiting their celebrity and righteously taking on the world.

*Peter La Chapelle* is professor of history at Nevada State College.
“The right to privacy is by no means a uniquely American concept. Yet if there is something particularly distinct about American understandings of privacy, it has been our tendency to frame privacy in all-or-nothing terms and to package it too frequently as an individual right while those pressures which push against it argued for the greater good. If we want a sense of what privacy is, and why it matters, there is much to be gained by looking at it historically.”

— from the introduction

LAWRENCE CAPPELLO

None of Your Damn Business

Privacy in the United States from the Gilded Age to the Digital Age

You can’t pass through an airport customs checkpoint without having your picture taken and your fingertips scanned, that information stored away in an archive you’ll never see. Nor can you use your home’s smart technology without occasionally experiencing uncertainty about what, exactly, that technology might do with what you’ve been sharing about your shopping habits and media choices. Every day, Americans surrender their private information to entities that claim to have their best interests in mind, in exchange for a promise of safety or simply the sake of convenience. This trade-off has long been taken for granted, but the extent of its nefariousness has recently become much more clear. As Lawrence Cappello’s None of Your Damn Business reveals, the problem is not so much that data will be used in ways we don’t want, but rather how willing we have been to have our information used, abused, and sold right back to us.

In this startling book, Cappello shows that this state of affairs was not the inevitable byproduct of technological progress. He targets key moments from the past hundred and thirty years of US history when privacy was central to battles over journalistic freedom, national security, surveillance, big data, and reproductive rights. As he makes dismaying clear, Americans have had numerous opportunities to protect the public good while simultaneously safeguarding our information, and we’ve squandered those opportunities every time. The wide range of the debates presented here illustrates how, despite America’s long history of praising individual freedom, we actually have one of the weakest systems for privacy protection in the developed world. None of Your Damn Business is a rich and provocative survey of an alarming topic that only grows more relevant with each fresh outrage of trust betrayed.

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Navigating the New Era in Corporate Governance

Corporate governance for public companies in the United States today is a fragile balance between shareholders, board members, and CEOs. Shareholders, who are focused on profits, put pressure on boards, who are accountable for operations and profitability. Boards, in turn, pressure CEOs, who must answer to the board while building their own larger vision and strategy for the future of the company. In order for this structure to be successful in the long term, it is imperative that boards and CEOs come to understand each other’s roles and how best to work together.

Drawing on four decades of experience advising boards and CEOs on how to do just that, Thomas A. Cole offers in CEO Leadership a straightforward and accessible guide to navigating corporate governance today. He explores the recurring question of whose benefit a corporation should be governed for, along with related matters of corporate social responsibility, and he explains the role of laws, market forces, and politics and their influence on the governance of public companies. For corporate directors, he provides a comprehensive examination of the roles, responsibilities, and accountability the role entails, while also offering guidance on how to be as effective as possible in addressing both routine corporate matters and special situations such as mergers and acquisitions, succession, and corporate crises. In addition, he offers practical suggestions for CEOs on leadership and their interactions with boards and shareholders. Cole also mounts a compelling case that a corporate culture that celebrates diversity and inclusion and has zero tolerance for sexual misconduct is critical to long-term business success.

Filled with vignettes from Cole’s many years of experience in the board room and C-suite, CEO Leadership is an invaluable resource for current and prospective directors, CEOs, and other senior officers of public companies as well as the next generation of corporate leaders and their business and financial advisors.

Thomas A. Cole is senior counsel and chair emeritus of the executive committee of Sidley Austin LLP in Chicago. He has led seminars on corporate governance at both the University of Chicago and Harvard law schools.
In 2008, Waltz with Bashir shocked the world by presenting a bracing story of war in what seemed like the most unlikely of formats—an animated film. Yet as Donna Kornhaber shows in this pioneering new book, the relationship between animation and war is actually as old as film itself. The world’s very first animated movie was made to solicit donations for the Second Boer War, and even Walt Disney sent his earliest creations off to fight on gruesome animated battlefields drawn from his First World War experience. As Kornhaber strikingly demonstrates, the tradition of wartime animation, long ignored by scholars and film buffs alike, is one of the world’s richest archives of wartime memory and witness.

Generation after generation, artists have turned to this most fantastical of mediums to capture real-life horrors they can express in no other way. From Chinese animators depicting the Japanese invasion of Shanghai to Bosnian animators portraying the siege of Sarajevo, from African animators documenting ethnic cleansing to South American animators reflecting on torture and civil war, from Vietnam-era protest films to the films of the French Resistance, from firsthand memories of Hiroshima to the haunting work of Holocaust survivors, the animated medium has for more than a century served as a visual repository for some of the darkest chapters in human history. It is a tradition that continues even to this day, in animated shorts made by Russian dissidents decrying the fighting in Ukraine, American soldiers returning from Iraq, or Middle Eastern artists commenting on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, the Arab Spring, or the ongoing crisis in Yemen.

Nightmares in the Dream Sanctuary: War and the Animated Film vividly tells the story of these works and many others, covering the full history of animated film and spanning the entire globe. A rich, serious, and deeply felt work of groundbreaking media history, it is also an emotional testament to the power of art to capture the endurance of the human spirit in the face of atrocity.

Donna Kornhaber is associate professor of English at the University of Texas at Austin. She is the author of Wes Anderson: A Collector’s Cinema and Charlie Chaplin, Director.
Banks and bankers are hardly the most beloved people and institutions in this country. With its corruptive influence on politics and stranglehold on the American economy, Wall Street is not held in high regard by many outside the financial sector. But the pitchforks raised against this behemoth are largely rhetorical: we rarely see riots in the streets or public demands for an equitable and democratic banking system that result in serious national changes.

Yet the situation was vastly different a century ago, as Christopher W. Shaw shows in *Money, Power, and the People*. His book upends the conventional thinking that financial policy in the early twentieth century was set primarily by the needs and demands of bankers. Shaw shows that banking and politics were directly shaped by the literal and symbolic investments of the grassroots. This engagement remade financial institutions and the national economy, through populist pressure and the establishment of federal regulatory programs and agencies like the Farm Credit System and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Shaw reveals the surprising groundswell behind such seemingly arcane legislation as the Emergency Currency Act of 1908, as well as the power of the people to demand serious political repercussions for the banks that caused the Great Depression. One result of this sustained interest and pressure was legislation and regulation that brought on a long period of relative financial stability, with a reduced frequency of economic booms and busts. Ironically, though, this stability led to the current decline of the very banking politics that enabled it.

Giving voice to a broad swath of American figures, including workers, farmers, politicians, and bankers alike, *Money, Power, and the People* recasts our understanding of what might be possible in balancing the needs of the people with those of their financial institutions.

Christopher W. Shaw received a doctorate in history from the University of California, Berkeley.
The Sarpedon Krater

The Life and Afterlife of a Greek Vase

Perhaps the most spectacular of all Greek vases, the Sarpedon krater depicts the body of Sarpedon, a hero of the Trojan War, being carried away to his homeland for burial. It was decorated some 2,500 years ago by Athenian artist Euphronios, and its subsequent history involves tomb raiding, intrigue, duplicity, litigation, international outrage, and possibly even homicide. How this came about is told by Nigel Spivey in a concise, stylish book that braids together the creation and adventures of this extraordinary object with an exploration of its abiding influence.

Spivey takes the reader on a dramatic journey, beginning with the krater’s looting from an Etruscan tomb in 1971 and its acquisition by the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, followed by a high-profile lawsuit over its status and its eventual return to Italy. He explains where, how, and why the vase was produced, retrieving what we know about the life and legend of Sarpedon. Spivey also pursues the figural motif of the slain Sarpedon portrayed on the vase and traces how this motif became a standard way of representing the dead and dying in Western art, especially during the Renaissance.

Fascinating and informative, The Sarpedon Krater is a multifaceted introduction to the enduring influence of Greek art on the world.

Nigel Spivey is a senior lecturer in classical art and archaeology at the University of Cambridge. He is the author of several books, including Understanding Greek Sculpture, Enduring Creation, The Classical World, and The Ancient Olympics. He also presented the major BBC/PBS series How Art Made the World.

Praise for How Art Made the World

“Spivey scales mountains, hurtles into caves, treks across deserts, and submits to shock treatment for the eyes in the first few episodes of How Art Made the World. . . In broaching questions about the genesis and meaning of art, Spivey draws on some of the world’s best-known works of art and architecture for answers.”
—New York Times

Praise for The Classical World

“A grand ‘traverse of classical civilization.’
. . . Anyone with the slightest curiosity about ancient classics will love this book.”
—Kirkus Reviews
Bitter English

AHMAD ALMALLAH

Imagine you are a Palestinian who came to America as a young man, eventually finding yourself caught between the country you live in with your wife and daughter, and the home—and parents—you left behind. Imagine living every day in your nonnative language and becoming estranged from your native tongue, which you use less and less as you become more ensconced in the United States. This is the story told by Ahmad Almallah in Bitter English, an autobiography-in-verse that explores the central role language plays in how we construct our identities and how our cultures construct them for us.

Through finely crafted poems that utilize a plainspoken roughness to keep the reader slightly disoriented, Almallah replicates his own verbal and cultural experience of existing between languages and societies. There is a sense of displacement to these poems as Almallah recounts the amusing, sad, and perilous moments of day-to-day living in exile. At the heart of Bitter English is a sense of loss, both of home and of his mother, whose struggle with Alzheimer’s becomes a reflection of his own reality in exile. Filled with wit, humor, and sharp observations of the world, Bitter English brings a fresh poetic voice to the American immigrant experience.

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The War Makes Everyone Lonely

GRAHAM BARNHART

Violence. Trauma. Memory. Isolation. These are just a few of the themes Graham Barnhart explores in his first collection of poems, many of which were written or begun during his years as a US Army Special Forces medic. Ranging from conventional lyrics and narrative verse to prose poems and expressionist forms, the poems here display a strange, quiet power as Barnhart engages in the pursuit and recognition of wonder, even while concerned with whether it is right to do so in the fraught space of the war zone. We follow the speaker as he treads the line between duty and the horrors of war, honor and compassion for the victims of violence, and the struggle to return to the daily life of family and society after years of trauma.

Evoking the landscapes and surroundings of war, as well as its effects on both US military service members and civilians in war-stricken countries, The War Makes Everyone Lonely is a challenging, nuanced look at the ways American violence is exported, enacted, and obscured by a writer poised to take his place in the long tradition of warrior-poets.

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BOOKS OF SPECIAL INTEREST
FROM CHICAGO
One of the most influential choreographers of the twentieth century, Merce Cunningham is known for introducing chance to dance. Far too often, however, accounts of Cunningham's work have neglected its full scope, focusing on his collaborations with the visionary composer John Cage or insisting that randomness was the singular goal of his choreography. In this book, the first dedicated to the complete arc of Cunningham's career, Carrie Noland brings new insight to this transformative artist’s philosophy and work, providing a fresh perspective on his artistic process while exploring aspects of his choreographic practice never studied before.

Examining a rich and previously unseen archive that includes photographs, film footage, and unpublished writing by Cunningham, Noland counters prior understandings of Cunningham’s influential embrace of the unintended, demonstrating that Cunningham in fact set limits on the role chance played in his pieces. Drawing on Cunningham’s written and performed work, Noland reveals that Cunningham introduced variables before the chance procedure was applied and later shaped and modified the chance results. Ultimately, Noland shows that Cunningham looked to movement as more than “movement in itself,” and that his work enacted archetypal human dramas. This remarkable book will forever change our appreciation of the choreographer’s work and legacy.

Carrie Noland is professor of French and comparative literature at the University of California, Irvine. She is the author of many books, including *Agency and Embodiment: Performing Gestures/Producing Culture.*
During the European Middle Ages, diagrams provided a critical tool of analysis in cosmological and theological debates. In addition to drawing relationships among diverse areas of human knowledge and experience, diagrams themselves generated such knowledge in the first place. In Diagramming Devotion, Jeffrey F. Hamburger examines two monumental works that are diagrammatic to their core: a famous set of picture poems of unrivaled complexity by the Carolingian monk Hrabanus Maurus, devoted to the praise of the cross, and a virtually unknown commentary on Hrabanus’s work composed almost five hundred years later by the Dominican friar Berthold of Nuremberg. Berthold’s profusely illustrated elaboration of Hrabanus translated his predecessor’s poems into a series of almost one hundred diagrams. By examining Berthold of Nuremberg’s transformation of a Carolingian classic, Hamburger brings modern and medieval visual culture into dialogue, traces important changes in medieval visual culture, and introduces new ways of thinking about diagrams as an enduring visual and conceptual model.

Jeffrey F. Hamburger is the Kuno Francke Professor of German Art and Culture at Harvard University. He is the author of many books, including Painting the Page in the Age of Print.
In the 1970s, the waterfront on the west side of Manhattan was a forgotten neighborhood, full of abandoned warehouses and disused piers. Though many who looked at the neighborhood saw nothing but blight, its derelict buildings and streets were alive with queer people forging new kinds of intimacies through cruising. And alongside those sexual and social worlds, groundbreaking artists produced work that attested to the radical transformations taking place in the city—and in American culture. The American artist and writer David Wojnarowicz was right in the heart of it, documenting his cruising experiences in journal entries, poems, photographs, films, and large-scale, site-specific arts projects.

In Cruising the Dead River, Fiona Anderson draws on Wojnarowicz’s work to explore the key role the abandoned and decaying landscape played in this explosion of queer culture. Making innovative use of archival ephemera and photographic fragments from this dynamic subculture, Cruising the Dead River examines how the ruined buildings that dominated the seemingly neglected riverfront assumed a powerful role, giving the neighborhood a distinct sense of place and identity through the cruising that took place there. As Anderson shows, the work of artists such as Emily Roysdon, Peter Hujar, and Alvin Baltrop reflect an erotic connection between past and present inspired by the piers. The decay of the piers and the work they housed provide invaluable insight into the complex forces that reshaped the waterfront in this period as gentrification swept New York and before the AIDS crisis took hold. By telling the story of the piers, Anderson documents buried histories of violence, regeneration, and LGBTQ activism that developed in and around the cruising scene.

Fiona Anderson is a lecturer in art history in the Fine Art Department at Newcastle University.
Hannah Ryggen (1894–1970) was a Swedish-Norwegian modern artist who began her career as a painter before switching to creating political art in the form of monumental tapestries. Combining the decorative and the political, Ryggen was ahead of her time with her turn to “political weaving.” She was also a feminist with strong communist sympathies involved in the international workers’ movement. Her dramatic, beautiful tapestries were shown at both the Paris and Brussels World’s Fairs, but she was largely forgotten by the international art world in the decades after her death. In recent years, however, as interest in both fiber arts and pioneering women artists has grown, Ryggen’s work has returned to the public eye, with major international exhibitions and fresh attention from curators, collectors, and critics.

A widely recognized authority on Ryggen, Marit Paasche brings this important Scandinavian artist to the foreground in this biography, the first published on Ryggen in English. Paasche looks at Ryggen within the social, political, and cultural contexts of her time and explores how these issues informed her work, from her anti-fascist tapestry that depicted a spear piercing Mussolini’s head to one protesting the war in Vietnam. Published to correspond with a major retrospective in Frankfurt, of which Paasche is one of the curators, Hannah Ryggen is a foundational book that will provide a crucial introduction of this artist to a broader audience.

Marit Paasche is an art critic, curator, and writer working at the Oslo Academy of Fine Art. She is the author of Lives and Videotapes: The Inconsistent History of Norwegian Video Art.
Recent years have seen an enormous surge of interest in fiber arts, with works made of thread on display in art museums around the world. But this art form only began to transcend its origins as a humble craft in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, and it wasn’t until the 1950s and 1960s that artists used the fiber arts to build critical practices that challenged the definitions of painting, drawing, and sculpture. One of those artists was Lenore Tawney (1907–2007).

Raised and trained in Chicago before she moved to New York, Tawney had a storied career. She was known for employing an ancient Peruvian gauze weave technique to create a painterly effect that appeared to float in space rather than cling to the wall, as well as for being one of the first artists to blend sculptural techniques with weaving practices and, in the process, pioneered a new direction in fiber art. Despite her prominence on the New York art scene, however, she has only recently begun to receive her due from the greater art world. Accompanying a retrospective at the John Michael Kohler Arts Center, this catalog features a comprehensive biography of Tawney, additional essays on her work, and two hundred full-color illustrations, making it of interest to contemporary artists, art historians, and the growing audience for fiber art.

Karen Patterson is senior curator at the John Michael Kohler Arts Center.
More than any other decade, the sixties capture our collective cultural imagination. And while many Americans can immediately imagine the sound of Martin Luther King, Jr. declaring, “I have a dream,” or envision hippies placing flowers in gun barrels while staring down the National Guard; the revolutionary sixties resonate around the world: China’s communist government inaugurated a new cultural era, African nations won independence from colonial rule, and students across Europe took to the streets calling for an end to capitalism, imperialism, and the brutality of the Vietnam War.

James Meyer turns to art criticism, theory, memoir, and fiction to examine the fascination with the long sixties and contemporary expressions of these cultural memories across the globe. Meyer draws on a diverse range of cultural objects that reimagine this revolutionary era stretching from the 1950s to the 1970s, including reenactments of civil rights, antiwar, and feminist marches, Cai Guo-Qiang’s reconstructions of an iconic Cultural Revolution-era sculpture; and Mad Men, to name only a few. These works were created by artists and writers born during the long Sixties, who were driven to understand a monumental era that they missed. These cases show us that the past becomes significant only in relation to our present, and our remembered history, whether dark or glowing with nostalgia, never perfectly replicates time passed.

Painting with Fire
Sir Joshua Reynolds, Photography, and the Temporally Evolving Chemical Object
MATTHEW C. HUNTER

Painting with Fire shows how experiments with chemicals known to change visibly over the course of time transformed British pictorial arts of the long eighteenth century—and how they can alter our conceptions of photography today. As early as the 1670s, experimental philosophers at the Royal Society of London had studied the visual effects of dynamic combustibles. By the 1770s, chemical volatility became central to the ambitious paintings of Sir Joshua Reynolds, premier portraitist and first president of Britain’s Royal Academy of Arts. Valued by some critics for changing in time (and thus, for prompting intellectual reflection on the nature of time), Reynolds’s unstable chemistry also prompted new techniques of chemical replication among Matthew Boulton, James Watt, and other leading industrialists. In turn, those replicas of chemically decaying academic paintings were rediscovered in the mid-nineteenth century and claimed as origin points in the history of photography.

Tracing the long arc of chemically produced and reproduced art from the 1670s through the 1860s, the book reconsiders early photography by situating it in relationship to Reynolds’s replicated paintings and the literal engines of British industry. By following the chemicals, Painting with Fire remaps familiar stories about academic painting and pictorial experiments amid the industrialization of chemical knowledge.

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The Art of Return
The Sixties and Contemporary Culture
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Against the Avant-Garde
Pier Paolo Pasolini, Contemporary Art, and Neocapitalism
ARA H. MERJIAN

Recognized in America chiefly for his films, Pier Paolo Pasolini (1922–1975) in fact reinvented interdisciplinarity in postwar Europe. Pasolini self-confessedly approached the cinematic image through painting, and the numerous allusions to early modern frescoes and altarpieces in his films have been extensively documented. Far less understood, however, is Pasolini’s fraught relationship to the aesthetic experiments of his own age. In Against the Avant-Garde, Ara H. Merjian demonstrates how Pasolini’s campaign against neocapitalist culture fueled his hostility to the avant-garde. An atheist indebted to Catholic ritual; a revolutionary communist inimical to the creed of 1968; a homosexual hostile to the project of gay liberation; Pasolini refused the politics of identity in favor of a scandalously paradoxical practice, one vital to any understanding of his legacy. Against the Avant-Garde examines these paradoxes through case studies from the 1960s and 1970s, concluding with a reflection on Pasolini’s far-reaching influence on post-1970s art. Merjian not only reconceives the multifaceted work of Italy’s most prominent postwar intellectual, but also the fraught politics of a European neo-avant-garde grappling with a new capitalist hegemony.

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The Phantom Image
Seeing the Dead in Ancient Rome
PATRICK R. CROWLEY

How could something as insubstantial as a ghost be made visible through the material grit of stone and paint? In this original and wide-ranging study, Patrick R. Crowley uses the figure of the ghost to offer a new understanding of the status of the image in Roman art and visual culture. Tracing the shifting practices and debates in antiquity about the nature of vision and representation, Crowley shows how images of ghosts make visible structures of beholding and strategies of depiction. Yet the figure of the ghost simultaneously contributes to a broader conceptual history that accounts for how modalities of belief emerged and developed in antiquity. Neither illustrations of ancient beliefs in ghosts nor depictions of the afterlife more generally, these images ultimately show us something about the visual event of seeing itself. The Phantom Image will be essential for anyone interested in ancient art, visual culture, and the history of the image.

Patrick R. Crowley is assistant professor of art history at the University of Chicago.

“The Phantom Image is as unique as its subject matter. Crowley shows impressive command of the historiographic and theoretical background while creating a book that is up-to-the-minute in terms of contemporary sources. This is an ambitious study in its intellectual, cultural, and chronological scope that focuses on some heretofore marginalized monuments and makes them central to an understanding of Roman visual culture.”

—Barbara Kellum, Smith College
Made up of nine prominent scholars, The Postclassicisms Collective aims to map a space for theorizing and reflecting on the values attributed to antiquity. The product of these reflections, Postclassicisms takes up a set of questions about what it means to know and care about Greco-Roman antiquity in our turbulent world and offers suggestions for a discipline in transformation, as new communities are being built around the study of the ancient Greco-Roman world.

Structured around three primary concepts—value, time, and responsibility—and nine additional concepts, Postclassicisms asks scholars to reflect upon why they choose to work in classics, to examine how proximity to and distance from antiquity has been—and continues to be—figured, and to consider what they seek to accomplish within their own scholarly practices. Together, the authors argue that a stronger critical self-awareness, an enhanced sense of the intellectual history of the methods of classics, and a greater understanding of the ethical and political implications of the decisions that the discipline makes will lead to a more engaged intellectual life, both for classicists and, ultimately, for society. A timely intervention into the present and future of the discipline, Postclassicisms will be required reading for professional classicists and students alike and a model for collaborative disciplinary intervention by scholars in other fields.

The Postclassicisms Collective is an international group of nine scholars dedicated to redefining the study of classical antiquity.
When we want advice, we often casually speak of reaching out to others to "get some feedback." But how many of us give a thought to what this phrase actually means? The idea of feedback dates to World War II, when the term was developed to describe the dynamics of self-regulating systems, which correct their actions by feeding their effects back into the system. By the early 1970s, feedback had evolved to become the governing trope for a counterculture that was reoriented and reinvigorated by ecological thinking.

The Culture of Feedback digs deep into a dazzling variety of left-of-center experiences and attitudes from this misunderstood period, bringing us a new look at the wild side of the 1970s. Belgrad shows us how ideas from systems theory were taken up by the counterculture and the environmental movement, eventually influencing a wide range of beliefs and behaviors, particularly related to the question of what is and is not intelligence. He tells the story of a generation of Americans who were struck by a newfound interest in—and respect for—plants, animals, indigenous populations, and the very sounds around them, knitting this together with cogent insights on environmentalism, feminism, systems theory, and psychodelics. The Culture of Feedback repaints the familiar image of the '70s as a time of Me Generation malaise to reveal an era of revolutionary and hopeful social currents, driven by desires to radically improve—and feed back into—the systems that had come before.

Daniel Belgrad is associate professor in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of South Florida and author of The Culture of Spontaneity, also published by the University of Chicago Press.
When we talk about the economy, “the market” is often just an abstraction. While the exchange of goods was historically tied to a particular place, capitalism has gradually eroded this connection to create our current global trading systems. In Trading Spaces, Emma Hart argues that Britain’s colonization of North America was a key moment in the market’s shift from place to idea, with major consequences for the character of the American economy.

Hart’s book takes in the shops, auction sites, wharves, taverns, fairs, and homes of seventeenth- and eighteenth-century America—places where new mechanisms and conventions arose as Europeans recreated or adapted continental methods to new surroundings. Since those earlier conventions tended to rely more heavily on regulations than their colonial offspring, what emerged in early America was a less fettered brand of capitalism. By the nineteenth century, this had evolved into a market economy that would not look too foreign to contemporary Americans. To tell this complex transnational story of how our markets came to be, Hart looks back farther than most historians of US capitalism, rooting these markets in the norms of seventeenth- and eighteenth-century Britain. Perhaps most important, this is not a story of specific commodity markets over time, but rather a history of the trading spaces themselves: the physical sites in which the grubby work of commerce occurred and where the market itself was born.

Emma Hart is a senior lecturer in modern history at the University of St. Andrews.

The 2014 death of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri, ignited nationwide protests and brought widespread attention to tragically relevant issues like police brutality and institutional racism. But Ferguson is not alone. As Colin Gordon shows in this urgent and timely book, the events in Ferguson exposed not only the deep racism of the local police department, but the ways in which decades of public policy effectively segregated and curtailed citizenship across the St. Louis suburbs. Citizen Brown uncovers half a century of private practices and public policies that resulted in bitter inequality and sustained segregation in Ferguson and beyond. Gordon shows how municipal and school district boundaries were pointedly drawn to contain or exclude African Americans, how local policies and services—especially policing, education, and urban renewal—were weaponized to maintain civic separation. He also makes clear that the outcry that arose in Ferguson was no impulsive outburst, but an explosion of pent-up rage against longstanding local systems of segregation and inequality—of which a police force which viewed citizens not as subjects to serve and protect, but as sources of revenue, was just the most immediate example. Worse, Citizen Brown illustrates the fact that, though the greater St. Louis area provides some extraordinarily clear examples of fraught racial dynamics, it is hardly alone among American cities and regions.

Colin Gordon is the F. Wendell Miller Professor of History at the University of Iowa.
Françoise Meltzer explores those questions in *Dark Lens*, which uses the images of war ruins in Nazi Germany to investigate problems of aestheticization, the representation of catastrophe, and the targeting of civilians in war. Through texts that give accounts of bombed-out towns in Germany in the last years of the war, painters’ attempts to depict the destruction, and her own mother’s photographs taken in Berlin and other cities in 1945, Meltzer asks if any medium offers a direct experience of war ruins for the viewer. Ultimately, she concludes that while the viewer cannot help reimagining the devastation through the lenses of history, aestheticization, or voyeurism, these images at least allow us to approach the reality of ruins and grasp the larger issue of targeting civilians in modern warfare for what it is. Refreshingly accessible and deeply personal, *Dark Lens* is a compelling look at the role images play in constructing memories of war.

Françoise Meltzer is the Edward Carson Waller Distinguished Service Professor in the Humanities, professor in the Divinity School and the College, and chair of comparative literature at the University of Chicago. She is the author of four books published by the University of Chicago Press, most recently *Seeing Double: Baudelaire’s Modernity*. 
Launched in 2013, China’s Belt and Road Initiative is forging connections in infrastructure, trade, energy, finance, tourism, and culture across Eurasia and Africa. This extraordinarily ambitious strategy places China at the center of a geography of overland and maritime connectivity stretching across more than sixty countries and incorporating almost two-thirds of the world’s population. But what does it mean to revive the historic Silk Roads for trade agreements and infrastructure investments in the twenty-first century?

Geocultural Power explores this question by considering how China is couching its strategy for building trade, foreign relations, and energy and political security in an evocative topography of history. Until now Belt and Road has been discussed as a geopolitical and geoeconomic project. This book introduces geocultural power to the analysis of international affairs. Tim Winter highlights how many countries—including Iran, Sri Lanka, Kenya, Malaysia, Indonesia, Pakistan, and others—are revisiting their histories to find points of diplomatic and cultural connection. Through the revived Silk Roads, China becomes the new author of Eurasian history and the architect of the bridge between East and West. In a diplomatic dance of forgetting, episodes of violence, invasion, and bloodshed are left behind for a language of history and heritage that crosses borders in ways that further the trade ambitions of an increasingly networked China-driven economy.

Tim Winter is professor of critical heritage studies at the University of Western Australia. His previous books include Shanghai Expo, Routledge Handbook of Heritage in Asia, and Post-conflict Heritage, Postcolonial Tourism.
DARA ORENSTEIN
K. HEALAN GASTON

In *Out of Stock*, Dara Orenstein delivers a nuanced, ambitious, and engrossing account of that most generic and underappreciated site in the history of American commerce and industry: the warehouse, and all its many permutations. She traces the progression from the bonded warehouse of the nineteenth century to today's foreign-trade zones, enclaves where goods are processed while simultaneously inside the United States and outside US customs territory. Foreign-trade zones channel jobs to American workers by converting American cities into international ports, and to understand them, Orenstein tells us, we should look at them in the simplest of terms: as warehouses. Going further, Orenstein contends that these zones—nearly 800 of which are scattered across the United States—are emblematic of how warehouses have begun to supplant factories on the terrain of logistics. In the age of Amazon and Walmart, circulation is so crucial to how and where goods are produced that it is increasingly inseparable from production, such that warehouses rank as some of the most pivotal spaces of global capitalism.

Dara Orenstein is assistant professor of American studies at George Washington University.
Engineered to Sell
European Émigrés and the Making of Consumer Capitalism
JAN L. LOGEMANN

Forever immortalized in the television series Mad Men, the mid-twentieth-century marketing world influenced nearly every aspect of American culture—music, literature, politics, economics, consumerism, race relations, gender, and more. In Engineered to Sell, Jan L. Logemann traces the transnational careers of consumer engineers in advertising, market research, and commercial design who transformed capitalism, from the 1930s through the 1960s. He argues that the history of marketing consumer goods is not a story of American exceptionalism. Instead, the careers of immigrants point to the limits of the “Americanization” paradigm. First, Logemann explains the rise of a dynamic world of goods by emphasizing changes in marketing approaches increasingly tailored to consumers. Second, he looks at how and why consumer engineering was shaped by transatlantic exchanges.

Cartographic Humanism
The Making of Early Modern Europe
KATHARINA N. PIECHOCKI

What is “Europe,” and when did it come to be? In the Renaissance, the term “Europe” circulated widely. But as Katharina N. Piechocki argues in this compelling book, the continent itself was only in the making in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries.

Cartographic Humanism sheds new light on how humanists negotiated and defined Europe’s boundaries at a momentous shift in the continent’s formation: when a new imagining of Europe was driven by the rise of cartography. As Piechocki shows, this tool of geography, philosophy, and philology was used not only to represent but, more importantly, also to shape and promote an image of Europe quite unparalleled in previous centuries. Engaging with poets, historians, and mapmakers, Piechocki resists an easy categorization of the continent, scrutinizing Europe as an unexamined category that demands a much more careful and nuanced investigation than scholars of early modernity have hitherto undertaken. Unprecedented in its geographic scope, Cartographic Humanism is the first book to chart new itineraries across Europe as it brings France, Germany, Italy, Poland, and Portugal into a lively, interdisciplinary dialogue.

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Promiscuous Knowledge
Information, Image, and Other Truth Games in History
KENNETH CMIEL and JOHN DURHAM PETERS

Sergey Brin, a cofounder of Google, once compared the perfect search engine to the “mind of God.” As the modern face of promiscuous knowledge, however, Google’s divine omniscience traffics indifferently in news, maps, weather, and porn. This book, begun by the late Kenneth Cmiel and completed by his close friend John Durham Peters, provides a genealogy of the information age from its early origins up to the reign of Google. It examines how we think about fact, image, and knowledge, centering on the different ways that claims of truth are complicated when they pass to a larger public.

Cmiel’s original text examines the collapse he saw in the growing gulf between politics and aesthetics in postmodern architecture, the distancing of images from everyday life in magical realist cinema, the waning support for national betterment through taxation, and the inability of a single presentational strategy to contain the social whole. Peters brings Cmiel’s study into the present moment, providing the backstory to current controversies over filter-bubbles, echo chambers, and “fake news.” A hybrid work from two innovative thinkers, Promiscuous Knowledge is an enlightening contribution to our understanding of the internet and the profuse visual culture of our time.

Kenneth Cmiel was professor of history and American studies at the University of Iowa and director of the Center for Human Rights at the university. He is the author of A Home of Another Kind, also published by the University of Chicago Press. John Durham Peters is professor of English and film and media studies at Yale University. He is the author of The Marvelous Clouds, Courting the Abyss, and Speaking into the Air, all published by the University of Chicago Press.

Partitioning Palestine
British Policymaking at the End of Empire
PENNY SINANOGLOU

Partitioning Palestine is the first history of the ideological and political forces that led to the idea of partition—that is, a division of territory and sovereignty—in British mandate Palestine in the first half of the twentieth century. Inverting the spate of narratives that focus on how the idea contributed to, or hindered, the development of future Israeli and Palestinian states, Penny Sinanoglou asks instead what drove and constrained British policymaking around partition, and why partition was simultaneously so appealing to British policymakers yet ultimately proved so difficult for them to enact.

Taking a broad view not only of local and regional factors, but also of Palestine’s place in the British empire and its status as a League of Nations mandate, Sinanoglou deftly recasts the story of partition in Palestine as a struggle for imperial control. After all, British partition plans imagined space both for a Zionist state indebted to Britain and for continued British control over key geopolitical assets, and depended in large part on the forced movement of Arab populations.

With her detailed look at the development of the idea of partition from its origins in the 1920s, Sinanoglou makes a bold contribution to our understanding of the complex interplay between internationalism and imperialism at the end of the British empire and reveals the legacies of British partitionist thinking in the broader history of decolonization in the modern Middle East.

Penny Sinanoglou is assistant professor of history at Wake Forest University.
In the late nineteenth century, extraordinary changes in food and agriculture gave rise to new tensions in the ways people understood, obtained, trusted, and ate their food. This was the Era of Adulteration, and its concerns have carried forward to today: How could you tell the food you bought was the food you thought you bought? Could something manufactured still be pure? Is it okay to manipulate nature far enough to produce new foods but not so far that you question its safety and health? How do you know where the line is? And who decides?

In *Pure Adulteration*, Benjamin R. Cohen uses the pure food crusades to provide a captivating window onto the origins of manufactured foods and the perceived problems they wrought. Cohen follows farmers, manufacturers, grocers, hucksters, housewives, politicians, and scientific analysts as they struggled to demarcate and patrol the ever-contingent, always contested border between purity and adulteration, and as, at the end of the nineteenth century, the very notion of a pure food changed. Purity became a scientific rather than environmental concept—one based on analyzing the product instead of the process.

In the end, there is (and was) no natural, pre-human distinction between pure and adulterated to uncover and enforce; we have to decide. Today’s world is different from that of our nineteenth-century forbearers in many ways, but the challenge of policing the difference between acceptable and unacceptable practices remains central to daily decisions about the foods we eat, how we produce them, and what choices we make when buying them.

Benjamin R. Cohen is associate professor at Lafayette College. He is the author of *Notes from the Ground: Science, Soil, and Society in the American Countryside* and coeditor of *Technoscience and Environmental Justice: Expert Cultures in a Grassroots Movement*. 
Alexander von Humboldt was the most celebrated modern chronicler of North and South America and the Caribbean, and this translation of his essay on New Spain—the first modern regional economic and political geography—covers his travels across today’s Mexico in 1803–4. The work canvases natural-scientific and cultural-scientific objects alike, combining the results of fieldwork with archival research and expert testimony.

To show how people, plants, animals, goods, and ideas moved across the globe, Humboldt wrote in a variety of styles, bending and reshaping familiar writerly conventions to keep readers attentive to new inputs. Above all, he wanted his readers to keep an open mind when confronted with cultural and other differences in the Americas. Fueled by his comparative global perspective on politics, economics, and science, he used his writing to support Latin American independence and condemn slavery and other forms of colonial exploitation. It is these voluminous and innovative writings on the New World that made Humboldt the undisputed father of modern geography, early American studies, transatlantic cultural history, and environmental studies.

This two-volume critical edition—the third installment in the Alexander von Humboldt in English series—is based on the full text, including all footnotes, tables, and maps, of the second, revised French edition of Essai politique sur le royaume de de Nouvelle Espagne from 1825–27, which has never been translated into English before. Extensive annotations and full-color atlases are available on the series website.

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Foundations of Paleoecology
Classic Papers with Commentaries
Edited by S. KATHLEEN LYONS, ANNA K. BEHRENSMEYER, and PETER J. WAGNER

Approximately 99% of all life that has ever existed is extinct. Fortunately, these long dead species have left traces of their lives and interactions with other species in the rock record that paleoecologists use to understand how species and ecosystems have changed over time. This record of past life allows us to study the dynamic nature of the Earth and gives context to current and future ecological challenges.

This book brings together forty-four classic papers published between 1924 and 1999 that trace the origins and development of paleoecology. The articles cross taxonomic groups, habitat types, geographic areas, and time and have made substantial contributions to our knowledge of the evolution of life. Encompassing the full breadth of paleoecology, the book is divided into six parts: community and ecosystem dynamics, community reconstruction, diversity dynamics, paleoenvironmental reconstruction, species interaction, and taphonomy. Each paper is also introduced by a contemporary expert who gives context and explains its importance to ongoing paleoecological research. A comprehensive introduction to the field, Foundations of Paleoecology will be an essential reference for new students and established paleoecologists alike.

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Why Study Biology by the Sea?
Edited by KARL S. MATLIN, JANE MAIENSCHEIN, and RACHEL ANKENY

For almost a century and a half, biologists have gone to the seashore to study life. The oceans contain rich biodiversity, and organisms at the intersection of sea and shore provide a plentiful sampling for research into a variety of questions at the laboratory bench: How does life develop and how does it function? How are organisms that look different related, and what role does the environment play?

From the Stazione Zoologica in Naples to the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, the Amoy Station in China, or the Misaki Station in Japan, students and researchers at seaside research stations have long visited the ocean to investigate life at all stages of development and to convene discussions of biological discoveries. Exploring the history and current reasons for study by the sea, this book examines key people, institutions, research projects, organisms selected for study, and competing theories and interpretations of discoveries, and it considers different ways of understanding research, such as through research repertoires. A celebration of coastal marine research, Why Study Biology by the Sea? reveals why scientists have moved from the beach to the lab bench and back.

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Robert J. Zimmer is best known in mathematics for the highly influential conjectures and program that bear his name. *Group Actions in Ergodic Theory, Geometry, and Topology: Selected Papers* brings together some of the most significant writings by Zimmer, which lay out his program and contextualize his work over the course of his career. Zimmer’s body of work is remarkable in that it involves methods from a variety of mathematical disciplines, such as Lie theory, differential geometry, ergodic theory and dynamical systems, arithmetic groups, and topology, and at the same time offers a unifying perspective. After arriving at the University of Chicago in 1977, Zimmer extended his earlier research on ergodic group actions to prove his cocycle superrigidity theorem which proved to be a pivotal point in articulating and developing his program. Zimmer’s ideas opened the door to many others, and they continue to be actively employed in many domains related to group actions in ergodic theory, geometry, and topology.

In addition to the selected papers themselves, this volume opens with a foreword by David Fisher, Alexander Lubotzky, and Gregory Margulis, as well as a substantial introductory essay by Zimmer recounting the course of his career in mathematics. The volume closes with an afterword by Fisher on the most recent developments around the Zimmer program.

Robert J. Zimmer is president of the University of Chicago. He is the author of two books, *Ergodic Theory and Semisimple Groups* and *Essential Results of Functional Analysis*, and more than eighty mathematical research articles. David Fisher is professor of mathematics at Indiana University.

“Zimmer is one of the most influential contemporary American mathematicians. The corpus of Zimmer’s contributions stands out by its coherence and its grand vision. Much more than being a strong problem-solver, more even than being a theory-builder, Zimmer is a mathematician with an overarching sense of the destination, with a domineering command of all.”

—Nicolas Monod, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne

The Republic of Color
Science, Perception, and the Making of Modern America

MICHAEL ROSSI

What is the correct way to see color in a modern, scientific society? And who decides? In *The Republic of Color*, Michael Rossi delves deep into the history of color science in the United States to trace its complex origins and examine the scope of its influence on the industrial transformation of turn-of-the-century America.

For a nation in the grip of profound economic, cultural, and demographic crises, the standardization of color became a means of social reform—a way of sculpting the American population into one more amenable to the needs of the emerging industrial order. Delineating color was also a way to characterize the vagaries of human nature, and to create ideal structures through which those humans would act in a newly modern American republic. Rossi’s compelling history goes far beyond the culture of the visual to show readers how the control and regulation of color shaped the social contours of modern America—and redefined the way we see the world.

Michael Rossi is assistant professor of the history of science and medicine at the University of Chicago.
Over the past decade, ecologists have increasingly embraced phylogenetics, the study of evolutionary relationships among species. As a result, they have come to discover the field’s power to illuminate present ecological patterns and processes. Ecologists are now investigating whether phylogenetic diversity is a better measure of ecosystem health than more traditional metrics like species diversity, whether it can predict the future structure and function of communities and ecosystems, and whether conservationists might prioritize it when formulating conservation plans.

In Phylogenetic Ecology, Nathan G. Swenson synthesizes this nascent field’s major conceptual, methodological, and empirical developments to provide students and practicing ecologists with a foundational overview. Along the way, he highlights those realms of phylogenetic ecology that will likely increase in relevance—such as the burgeoning subfield of phylogenomics—and shows how ecologists might lean on these new perspectives to inform their research programs.

Nathan G. Swenson is professor of biology and director of the Behavior, Ecology, Evolution, and Systematics (BEES) Graduate Concentration Area at the University of Maryland. He is the author of Functional and Phylogenetic Ecology in R and a recipient of a Guggenheim fellowship in plant sciences.
During the long twentieth century, explorers went in unprecedented numbers to the hottest, coldest, and highest points on the globe. Taking us from the Himalaya to Antarctica and beyond, *Higher and Colder* presents the first history of extreme physiology, the study of the human body at its physical limits. Each chapter explores a seminal question in the history of science, while also showing how the apparently exotic locations and experiments contributed to broader political and social shifts in twentieth-century scientific thinking.

Unlike most books on modern biomedicine, *Higher and Colder* focuses on fieldwork, expeditions, and exploration, and in doing so provides a welcome alternative to laboratory-dominated accounts of the history of modern life sciences. Although this is a book about two male-dominated practices—science and exploration—it recovers the stories of women’s contributions, sometimes accidentally, and sometimes deliberately, erased.

*Vanessa Heggie* is a lecturer in the history of medicine and science at the Institute of Applied Health Research at the University of Birmingham. She is the author of *A History of British Sports Medicine* and was coauthor of the *Guardian* blog *The H-Word* from 2012 to 2017.
Continued public outcries over such issues as the presence of young models in sexually suggestive ads and occurrences of intimate relationships between teachers and students speak to one of the most controversial fears of our time: the entanglement of children and sexuality. In this book, Steven Angelides confronts that very fear, arguing that adult alarm over child sexualization often masks the sexuality of children.

Angelides explores how emotional vocabularies of anxiety, shame, and even contempt not only dominate discussions of youth sexuality but also allow adults to avoid acknowledging the sexual agency of young people. Introducing case studies and trends from Australia, the United Kingdom, and North America, he challenges prevalent assumptions toward a variety of topics, among them sex education, age-of-consent laws, and technology-driven phenomena like sexting. Along the way, Angelides contends that an unwillingness to recognize the sexual agency that children possess results less in the protection of young people than in their marginalization.

Steven Angelides is affiliated with the Australian Research Centre in Sex, Health, and Society at La Trobe University and is an honorary senior research fellow in the Department of Modern History, Politics, and International Relations at Macquarie University. He is the author of A History of Bisexuality, also published by the University of Chicago Press.
Since its launch in 1987, the History of Cartography series has garnered critical acclaim and sparked a new generation of interdisciplinary scholarship. Cartography in the European Enlightenment, the highly anticipated fourth volume, offers a comprehensive overview of the cartographic practices of Europeans, Russians, and the Ottomans, both at home and in overseas territories, from 1650 to 1800.

The social and intellectual changes that swept Enlightenment Europe also transformed many of its mapmaking practices. A new emphasis on geometric principles gave rise to improved tools for measuring and mapping the world, even as large-scale cartographic projects became possible under the aegis of powerful states. Yet older mapping practices persisted: Enlightenment cartography encompassed a wide variety of processes for making, circulating, and using maps of different types. The volume’s more than four hundredencyclopedia articles explore the era’s mapping, covering topics both detailed—such as geodetic surveying, thematic mapping, and map collecting—and broad, such as women and cartography, cartography and the economy, and the art and design of maps. Copious bibliographical references and nearly one thousand full-color illustrations complement the detailed entries.

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Maimonides’ Guide of the Perplexed in Translation
A History from the Thirteenth Century to the Twentieth
Edited by JOSEF STERN, JAMES T. ROBINSON, and YONATAN SHEMESH

Moses Maimonides’s Guide of the Perplexed is the greatest philosophical text in the history of Jewish thought and a major work of the Middle Ages. For almost all of its history, however, the Guide has been read and commented upon in translation—in Hebrew, Latin, Spanish, French, English, and other modern languages—rather than in its original Judeo-Arabic. This volume is the first to tell the story of the translations and translators of Maimonides’ Guide and its impact in translation on philosophy from the Middle Ages to the present day.

A collection of essays by scholars from a range of disciplines, the book unfolds in two parts. The first traces the history of the translations of the Guide, from medieval to modern renditions. The second surveys its influence in translation on Latin scholastic, early modern, and contemporary Anglo-American philosophy, as well as its impact in translation on current scholarship. Interdisciplinary in approach, this book will be essential reading for philosophers, historians, and religious studies scholars alike.

Josef Stern is the William H. Colvin Professor of Philosophy Emeritus at the University of Chicago and the founding director of its Joyce Z. and Jacob Greenberg Center for Jewish Studies. His books include The Matter and Form of Maimonides’ “Guide.” James T. Robinson is the Caroline E. Haskell Professor of the History of Judaism, Islamic Studies, and the History of Religions at the University of Chicago. He is the author or editor of several books, including The Cultures of Maimonideanism. Yonatan Shemesh is a doctoral candidate at the University of Chicago completing his dissertation on Moses Narboni’s fourteenth-century commentary on the Guide of the Perplexed.
Filmed Thought
Cinema as Reflective Form

With the rise of review sites and social media, films today, as soon as they are shown, immediately become the topic of debates on their merits not only as entertainment, but also as serious forms of artistic expression. Philosopher Robert B. Pippin, however, wants us to consider a more radical proposition: film as thought, as a reflective form. Pippin explores this idea through a series of perceptive analyses of cinematic masterpieces, revealing how films can illuminate, in a concrete manner, core features and problems of shared human life.

Filmed Thought examines questions of morality in Almodóvar’s Talk to Her, goodness and naïveté in Hitchcock’s Shadow of a Doubt, love and fantasy in Sirk’s All That Heaven Allows, politics and society in Polanski’s Chinatown and Malick’s The Thin Red Line, and self-understanding and understanding others in Nicholas Ray’s In a Lonely Place and in the Dardennes brothers’ oeuvre. In each reading, Pippin pays close attention to what makes these films exceptional as technical works of art (paying special attention to the role of cinematic irony) and as intellectual and philosophical achievements. Throughout, he shows how films offer a view of basic problems of human agency from the inside and allow viewers to think with and through them. Captivating and insightful, Filmed Thought shows us what it means to take cinema seriously not just as art, but as thought, and how this medium provides a singular form of reflection on what it is to be human.

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Being Me Being You
Adam Smith and Empathy
SAMUEL FLEISCHACKER

Modern notions of empathy often celebrate its ability to bridge divides, to unite humankind. Yet, how do we square this with the popular view that we can never truly comprehend the experience of being someone else? In this book, Samuel Fleischacker delves into the work of Adam Smith to draw out an understanding of empathy that respects both personal difference and shared humanity.

After laying out a range of meanings for the concept of empathy, Fleischacker proposes that what Smith called “sympathy” is very much what we today consider empathy. Smith’s version has remarkable value, as his empathy calls for entering into the perspective of another—a uniquely human feat that connects people while still allowing them to define their own distinctive standpoints. After discussing Smith’s views in relation to more recent empirical and philosophical studies, Fleischacker shows how turning back to Smith promises to enrich, clarify, and advance our current debates about the meaning and uses of empathy.

Samuel Fleischacker is professor of philosophy at the University of Illinois at Chicago. He is the author of many books, including On Adam Smith’s ‘Wealth of Nations’: A Philosophical Companion and, most recently, The Good and the Good Book: Revelation as a Guide to Life.

Jane Addams’s Evolutionary Theorizing
Constructing Democracy and Social Ethics
MARIYLN FISCHER

In Jane Addams’s Evolutionary Theorizing, Marilyn Fischer advances the bold and original claim that Addams’s reasoning in her first book, Democracy and Social Ethics, is thoroughly evolutionary in character. While Democracy and Social Ethics, a foundational text of classical American pragmatism, is praised for advancing a sensitive and sophisticated method of ethical deliberation, Fischer is the first to explore its intellectual roots.

Examining essays Addams wrote in the 1890s and showing how they were revised for Democracy and Social Ethics, Fischer draws from philosophy, history, literature, rhetoric, and more to uncover the array of social evolutionary thought Addams engaged with in her texts—from British socialist writings on the evolution of democracy to British and German anthropological accounts of the evolution of morality. By excavating Addams’s evolutionary reasoning and rhetorical strategies, Fischer reveals the depth, subtlety, and richness of Addams’s thought.

Marilyn Fischer is professor emerita of philosophy at the University of Dayton. She is the author of On Addams and Ethical Decision Making in Fund Raising as well as coeditor of Jane Addams and the Practice of Democracy and Jane Addams’s Writings on Peace.
Map making and, ultimately, map thinking is ubiquitous across literature, cosmology, mathematics, psychology, and genetics. We partition, summarize, organize, and clarify our world via spatialized representations. Our maps and, more generally, our representations seduce and persuade; they build and destroy. They are the ultimate record of empires and of our evolving comprehension of our world.

This book is about the promises and perils of map thinking. Maps are purpose-driven abstractions, discarding detail to highlight only particular features of a territory, discarding detail to highlight only particular features of a territory. By preserving certain features at the expense of others, they can be used to reinforce a privileged position. When Maps Become the World shows us how the scientific theories, models, and concepts we use to intervene in the world function as maps, and explores the consequences of this, both good and bad. We increasingly understand the world around us in terms of models, to the extent that we often take the models for reality. Winther explains how in time, our historical representations in science, in cartography, and in our stories about ourselves replace individual memories and become dominant social narratives—they become reality, and they can remake the world.

When Maps Become the World
RASMUS GRØNFELDT WINther

Radical as Reality
Form and Freedom in American Poetry
PETER CAMPION

What do American poets mean when they talk about freedom? How can form help us understand questions about what shapes we want to give our poetic lives, and how much power we have to choose those shapes? For that matter, what do we even mean by we? In this collection of essays, Peter Campion gathers his thoughts on these questions and more to form an evolutionary history of the past century of American poetry.

Through close readings of the great modernists, midcentury objectivists, late twentieth-century poets, his contemporaries, and more, Campion unearthed an American poetic landscape that is subtler and more varied than most critics have allowed. He discovers commonalities among poets considered opposites, dramatizes how form and history are mutually entailing, and explores how the conventions of poetry, its inheritance, and its inventions sprang from the tensions of ordinary life. At its core, this is a book about poetic making, one that reveals how the best poets not only receive but understand and adapt what comes before them, reinterpreting the history of their art to create work that is, indeed, radical as reality.

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Over the last few decades, character-based criticism has been seen as either naive or obsolete. But now questions of character are attracting renewed interest. Making the case for a broad-based revision of our understanding of character, Character rethinks these questions from the ground up. Is it really necessary to remind literary critics that characters are made up of words? Must we forbid identification with characters? Does character-discussion force critics to embrace humanism and outmoded theories of the subject?

Across three chapters, leading scholars Amanda Anderson, Rita Felski, and Toril Moi reimagine and renew literary studies by engaging in a conversation about character. Moi returns to the fundamental theoretical assumptions that convinced literary scholars to stop doing character-criticism, and shows that they cannot hold. Felski turns to the question of identification and draws out its diverse strands, as well as its persistence in academic criticism. Anderson shows that character-criticism illuminates both the moral life of characters, and our understanding of literary form. In offering new perspectives on the question of fictional character, this thought-provoking book makes an important intervention in literary studies.

Amanda Anderson is the Andrew W. Mellon Professor of Humanities and English and director of the Cogut Institute for the Humanities at Brown University. Rita Felski is the William R. Kenan Jr. Professor of English at the University of Virginia and Niels Bohr Professor at the University of Southern Denmark. Toril Moi is the James B. Duke Professor of Literature and Romance Studies at Duke University.

What does the name Trump stand for? If branding now rules over the production of value, as the coauthors of Sovereignty, Inc. argue, then Trump assumes the status of a master brand whose primary activity is the compulsive work of self-branding—such is the new sovereignty business in which, whether one belongs to his base or not, we are all “incorporated.”

Drawing on anthropology, political theory, philosophy, psychoanalysis, and theater, William Mazzarella, Eric L. Santner, and Aaron Schuster show how politics in the age of Trump functions by mobilizing a contradictory and convoluted enjoyment, an explosive mixture of drives and fantasies that eludes existing portraits of our era. The current political moment turns out to be not so much exceptional as exceptionally revealing of the constitutive tension between enjoyment and economy that has always been a key component of the social order. Santner analyzes the collective dream-work that sustains a new sort of authoritarian charisma or mana, a mana-facturing process that keeps us riveted to an excessively carnal incorporation of sovereignty. Mazzarella examines the contemporary merger of consumer brand and political brand and the cross-contamination of politics and economics. Schuster, focusing on the extreme theatricality and self-satirical comedy of the present, shows how authority reasserts itself at the very moment of distrust and disillusionment in the system, profiting off its supposed decline. Sovereignty, Inc. will immediately take its place in discussions of contemporary politics.

William Mazzarella is the Neukom Family Professor of Anthropology at the University of Chicago, where Eric L. Santner is the Philip and Ida Romberg Distinguished Service Professor in Modern Germanic Studies. Aaron Schuster is a fellow of the Society for the Humanities at Cornell University, and formerly visiting professor at the Franke Institute for the Humanities at the University of Chicago.
The Ruins Lesson
Meaning and Material in Western Culture

How have ruins become so valued in Western culture, and so central to our art and literature? Covering a vast chronological and geographical range, from ancient Egyptian inscriptions to twentieth-century memorials, Susan Stewart seeks to answer this question as she traces the appeal of ruins and ruins images, and the lessons that writers and artists have drawn from their haunting forms.

Stewart takes us on a sweeping journey through founding legends of broken covenants and original sin, the Christian appropriation of the classical past, myths and rituals of fertility, images of decay in early modern allegory and melancholy, and new gardens built with ancient fragments. She focuses particularly on Renaissance humanism and Romanticism as periods of intense interest in ruins that also offer new frames for their perception. And she looks in depth at the works of Goethe, Piranesi, Blake, and Wordsworth, each of whom found in ruins a means of reinventing his art. Lively and engaging, The Ruins Lesson ultimately asks what can resist ruination—and finds in the self-transforming, ever-fleeting practices of language and thought a clue to what might truly endure.

Praise for Stewart

“Stewart may be our best contemporary thinker on poetry.... She writes criticism with the grace of a poet, and poetry with a strong logos underlying its lyrical surface. Both are haunted by a feel for our unknowable, primordial being, and this is no doubt what gives her work its abyssal power.”

—Los Angeles Review of Books

Susan Stewart is the Avalon Foundation University Professor in the Humanities at Princeton University and a former MacArthur Fellow. Among her many books of prose are On Longing, The Open Studio: Essays on Art and Aesthetics, Poetry and the Fate of the Senses, and The Poet's Freedom: A Notebook on Making. Her books of poems include Columbarium, winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award, and Cinder: New and Selected Poems.
People in the Middle Ages had chantry chapels, mortuary rolls, the daily observance of the Office of the Dead, and even purgatory—but they were still unable to talk about death. Their inability wasn’t due to religion, but philosophy: saying someone is dead is nonsense, as the person no longer is. The one thing that can talk about something that is not, as D. Vance Smith shows in this innovative, provocative book, is literature.

Covering the emergence of English literature from the Anglo-Saxon to the late medieval periods, *Arts of Dying* argues that the problem of how to designate death produced a long tradition of literature about dying, which continues in the work of Heidegger, Blanchot, and Gillian Rose. Philosophy’s attempt to designate death’s impossibility is part of a literature that imagines a relationship with death, a literature that intensively and self-reflexively supposes that its very terms might solve the problem of the termination of life. A lyrical and elegiac exploration that combines medieval work on the philosophy of language with contemporary theorizing on death and dying, *Arts of Dying* is an important contribution to medieval studies, literary criticism, phenomenology, and continental philosophy.

D. Vance Smith is professor of English at Princeton University. He is the author of four books, most recently, *The Book of Incipit: Beginnings in the Fourteenth Century*.
Indigenous sign-systems, such as pictographs, petroglyphs, hieroglyphs, and khipu, are usually understood as relics from an inaccessible past. That is far from the truth, however, as Edgar Garcia makes clear in *Signs of the Americas*. Rather than being dead languages, these sign-systems have always been living, evolving signifiers, responsive to their circumstances and able to continuously redefine themselves and the nature of the world.

Garcia tells the story of the present life of these sign-systems, examining the contemporary impact they have had on poetry, prose, visual art, legal philosophy, political activism, and environmental thinking. In doing so, he brings together a wide range of indigenous and non-indigenous authors and artists of the Americas, from Aztec priests and Amazonian shamans to Simon Ortiz, Gerald Vizenor, Jaime de Angulo, Charles Olson, Cy Twombly, Gloria Anzaldúa, William Burroughs, Louise Erdrich, Cecilia Vicuña, and many others. From these sources, Garcia depicts the culture of a modern, interconnected hemisphere, revealing that while these “signs of the Americas” have suffered expropriation, misuse, and mistranslation, they have also created their own systems of knowing and being. These indigenous systems help us to rethink categories of race, gender, nationalism, and history. Producing a new way of thinking about our interconnected hemisphere, this ambitious, energizing book redefines what constitutes a “world” in world literature.

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For many men of various sexual inclinations, the Second World War offered an unprecedented release from the constraints of civilian life. However, when they returned home they had to face the harsh realities of a restrictive society.

*Men without Maps* continues the story of these men, whom John Ibson first gave voice to in *The Mourning After*. Here he uncovers the experiences of men after World War II who had same-sex desires but few, if any, affirmative models of how to build identities and relationships. Though homosexual men had plenty of cultural maps—provided by their parents, social institutions, and nearly every engine of popular culture—in the years before Pride parades, social organizations for queer persons, or publications devoted to them, gay men lacked such guides. In his survey of the years shortly before the war and the gay rights movement of the late 1960s and early ’70s, Ibson considers male couples, who balanced domestic contentment with exterior repression, as well as single men, whose solitary lives illuminate unexplored aspects of the queer experience. *Men without Maps* shows how, in spite of the obstacles they faced, midcentury gay men found ways to assemble their lives and senses of self at a time of limited social acceptance.

*Signs of the Americas* and *Men without Maps* are essential readings for anyone interested in the history of queer identities and the role of indigenous sign-systems in the development of world literature.
In literary studies today, debates about the purpose of literary criticism and about the place of formalism within it continue to simmer across periods and approaches. Anna Kornbluh contributes to—and substantially shifts—that conversation in *The Order of Forms* by offering an exciting new category, political formalism, which she articulates through the co-emergence of aesthetic and mathematical formalisms in the nineteenth century. Within this framework, criticism can be understood as more affirmative and constructive, articulating commitments to aesthetic expression and social collectivity.

Kornbluh offers a powerful argument that political formalism, by valuing forms of sociability like the city and the state in and of themselves, provides a better understanding of literary form and its political possibilities than approaches that view form as a constraint. To make this argument, she takes up the case of literary realism, showing how novels by Dickens, Brontë, Hardy, and Carroll engage mathematical formalism as part of their political imagining. Realism, she shows, is best understood as an exercise in social modeling—more like formalist mathematics than social documentation. By modeling society, the realist novel focuses on what it considers the most elementary features of social relations and generates unique political insights. Proposing both this new theory of realism and the idea of political formalism, this inspired, eye-opening book will have far-reaching implications in literary studies.

**Total Mobilization**

World War II and American Literature

ROY SCRANTON

Since World War II, the story of the trauma hero—the noble white man psychologically wounded by his encounter with violence—has become omnipresent in America’s narratives of war, an imaginary solution to the contradictions of American political hegemony. In *Total Mobilization*, Roy Scranton cuts through the fog of trauma that obscures World War II, uncovering a lost history and reframing the way we talk about war today.

Considering often overlooked works by James Jones, Wallace Stevens, Martha Gellhorn, and others, alongside cartoons and films, Scranton investigates the role of the hero in industrial wartime, showing how such writers struggled to make sense of problems that continue to plague us today: the limits of American power, the dangers of political polarization, and the conflicts between nationalism and liberalism. By turning our attention to the ways we make war meaningful—and by excavating the politics implicit within the myth of the traumatized hero—*Total Mobilization* revises the way we understand not only World War II, but all of postwar American culture.

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Realism, Formalism, and Social Space

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“Interpretation” is a term that encompasses both the most esoteric and the most fundamental activities of our lives, from analyzing medical images to the million ways we perceive other people’s actions. Today, we also leave interpretation to the likes of web cookies, social media algorithms, and automated markets. But as John Frow shows in this thoughtfully argued book, there is much yet to do in clarifying how we understand the social organization of interpretation.

*On Interpretive Conflict* delves into four case studies where sharply different sets of values come into play—gun control, anti-Semitism, the religious force of images, and climate change. In each case, Frow lays out the way these controversies unfold within interpretive regimes that establish what counts as an interpretable object and the protocols of evidence and proof that should govern it. Whether applied to a Shakespeare play or a Supreme Court case, interpretation, he argues, is at once rule-governed and inherently conflictual. Ambitious and provocative, *On Interpretive Conflict* will attract readers from across the humanities and beyond.

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The gap between the rich and the poor has grown dramatically in the United States and is now at its widest since at least the early 1900s. While by most measures the economy has been improving, soaring cost of living and stagnant wages have done little to assuage economic anxieties. Conditions like these seem designed to produce a generation-defining intervention to balance the economic scales and enhance opportunities for those at the middle and bottom of the country’s economic ladder—but we have seen nothing of the sort.

Nathan J. Kelly argues that a key reason for this is that rising concentrations of wealth create a politics that makes reducing economic inequality more difficult. Kelly convincingly shows that, when a small fraction of the people control most of the economic resources, they also hold a disproportionate amount of political power, hurling us toward a self-perpetuating plutocracy, or an “inequality trap.” Among other things, the rich support a broad political campaign that convinces voters that policies to reduce inequality are unwise and not in the average voter’s interest, regardless of the real economic impact. They also take advantage of interest groups they generously support to influence Congress and the president, as well as state governments, in ways that stop or slow down reform. One of the key implications of this book is that social policies designed to combat inequality should work hand-in-hand with political reforms that enhance democratic governance and efforts to fight racism, and a coordinated effort on all of these fronts will be needed to reverse the decades-long trend.

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The Origins of the Dual City
Housing, Race, and Redevelopment in Twentieth-Century Chicago

JOEL RAST

Chicago is celebrated for its rich diversity, but, even more than most US cities, it is also plagued by segregation and extreme inequality. The stark divide between the gentrifying and primarily white neighborhoods on the north side and near downtown, and impoverished, largely black and Latino communities on the south and west sides is plainly visible. More than ever, Chicago is a “dual city,” a condition taken for granted by many residents.

Joel Rast reveals today’s tacit acceptance of rising urban inequality as a marked departure from the past. For much of the twentieth century, a key goal for civic leaders was the total elimination of slums and blight. Yet over time, as anti-slum efforts faltered, leaders changed the focus of their initiatives away from low-income areas and toward the upgrading of neighborhoods with greater promise. As misguided as post-war public housing and urban renewal programs were, they were projects born of a longstanding reformist impulse aimed at improving living conditions for people of all classes and colors across the city—something that can’t be said to be a true political or social priority for many policymakers today. Rast laments the acceptance of today’s dual city and is intent on showing precisely how that paradigm took over from ones that shaped previous generations’ policy-making. The Origins of the Dual City reveals nothing less than how we normalized and became resigned to a city with stark racial and economic divides.

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Black Wave
How Networks and Governance Shaped Japan’s 3/11 Disasters
DANIEL P. ALDRICH

Despite the devastation caused by the magnitude 9.0 earthquake and 60-foot tsunami that struck Japan in 2011, some 96% of those living and working in the most disaster-stricken region of Tōhoku made it through. Smaller earthquakes and tsunamis have killed far more people in nearby China and India. What accounts for the exceptionally high survival rate? And why is it that some towns and cities in the Tōhoku region have built back more quickly than others?

*Black Wave* illuminates two critical factors that had a direct influence on why survival rates varied so much across the Tōhoku region following the 3/11 disasters and why the rebuilding process has also not moved in lockstep across the region. Individuals and communities with stronger networks and better governance, Daniel P. Aldrich shows, had higher survival rates and accelerated recoveries. Less-connected communities with fewer such ties faced harder recovery processes and lower survival rates. Beyond the individual and neighborhood levels of survival and recovery, the rebuilding process has varied greatly, as some towns and cities have sought to work independently on rebuilding plans, ignoring recommendations from the national government and moving quickly to institute their own visions, while others have followed the guidelines offered by Tokyo-based bureaucrats for economic development and rebuilding.

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Conventional Realism and Political Inquiry
Channeling Wittgenstein
JOHN G. GUNNELL

When social scientists and social theorists turn to the work of philosophers for intellectual and practical authority, they typically assume that truth, reality, and meaning are to be found outside rather than within our conventional discursive practices.

John G. Gunnell argues for conventional realism as a theory of social phenomena and an approach to the study of politics. Drawing on Wittgenstein’s critique of “mentalism” and traditional realism, Gunnell argues that everything we designate as “real” is rendered conventionally, which entails a rejection of the widely accepted distinction between what is natural and what is conventional. The terms “reality” and “world” have no meaning outside the contexts of specific claims and assumptions about what exists and how it behaves. And rather than a mysterious source and repository of prelinguistic meaning, the “mind” is simply our linguistic capacities. Taking readers through contemporary forms of mentalism and realism in both philosophy and American political science and theory, Gunnell also analyzes the philosophical challenges to these positions mounted by Wittgenstein and those who can be construed as his successors.

John G. Gunnell is distinguished professor emeritus at the University at Albany, SUNY. He is the author of *Social Inquiry after Wittgenstein and Kuhn* and *Social Science and Political Theory*, and his work has been collected in the edited volume *John G. Gunnell: History, Discourses, and Disciplines*. 
Racial progress in the United States has hit a wall, and the rise of white nationalism is but one manifestation of this. Most Americans continue to hope that the younger generation, which many believe manifests less racism and more acceptance of a multiracial society, will lead to more moderate racial politics—but this may not be happening. Overtly racist attitudes have declined, but antiblack stereotypes and racial resentment remain prevalent among white Americans. To add, the shape of racial attitudes has continued to evolve, but our existing measures have not evolved in step and cannot fully illuminate the challenge at hand.

Narrowing the Channel demonstrates that globalization and globalized firms can paradoxically hinder rather than foster economic cooperation as larger firms seek to protect their markets through often unnecessarily strict product regulations. To illustrate the problem of regulatory protectionism, Robert Gulotty offers an in-depth analysis of contemporary rulemaking in the United States and the European Union in the areas of health, safety, and environmental standards. He shows how large firms seek regulatory schemes that disproportionately disadvantage small firms. When multinationals are embedded in the local economy, governments too have an incentive to use these regulations to shift profits back home. Today, the key challenge to governing global trade is not how much trade occurs but who is allowed to participate, and this book shows that new rules will be needed to allow governments to widen the benefits of global commerce and avoid further inequality and market concentration.

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With Racial Stasis, Christopher D. DeSante and Candis Watts Smith argue persuasively that this is because millennials, a generational cohort far removed from Jim Crow and the Civil Rights era, lack sufficient understanding of the structural nature of racial inequalities in the United States and therefore also the contextual and historical knowledge to be actively anti-racist. While these younger whites may be open to the idea of interracial marriage or living next to a family of a different race, they often do not understand why policies like affirmative action still need to exist and are weary about supporting these kinds of policies. In short, although millennials’ language and rationale around race, racism, and racial inequalities are different from previous generations’, the end result is the same.

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We often talk loosely of the “tyranny of the majority” as a threat to the workings of democracy. But, in ancient Greece, the analogy of demos and tyrant was no mere metaphor, nor a simple reflection of elite prejudice. Instead, it highlighted an important structural feature of Athenian democracy. Like the tyrant, the Athenian demos was an unaccountable political actor with the power to hold its subordinates to account. And like the tyrant, the demos could be dangerous to counsel since the orator speaking before the assembled demos was accountable for the advice he gave.

With Dangerous Counsel, Matthew Landauer analyzes the sometimes ferocious and unpredictable politics of accountability in ancient Greece and offers novel readings of ancient history, philosophy, rhetoric, and drama. In comparing the demos to a tyrant, thinkers such as Herodotus, Plato, Isocrates, and Aristophanes were attempting to work out a theory of the badness of unaccountable power; to understand the basic logic of accountability and why it is difficult to get right; and to explore the ways in which political discourse is profoundly shaped by institutions and power relationships. In the process they created strikingly portable theories of counsel and accountability that traveled across political regime types and remain relevant to our contemporary political dilemmas.

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Citizenship is much more than the right to vote. It is a collection of political capacities constantly up for debate. From Socrates to contemporary American politics, the question of what it means to be an authentic citizen is an inherently political one.

With Learning One’s Native Tongue, Tracy B. Strong explores the development of the concept of American citizenship and what it means to belong to this country, starting with the Puritans in the seventeenth century and continuing to the present day. He examines the conflicts over the meaning of citizenship in the writings and speeches of prominent thinkers and leaders ranging from John Winthrop and Roger Williams to Thomas Jefferson, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, and Franklin Roosevelt, among many others who have participated in these important cultural and political debates. The criteria that define what being a citizen entails change over time and in response to historical developments, and they are thus also often the source of controversy and conflict, as with voting rights for women and African Americans. Strong looks closely at these conflicts and the ensuing changes in the conception of citizenship, paying attention to what difference each change makes and what each particular conception entails socially and politically.

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In 1999, off the coast of the Pacific Northwest, the first gray whale in seven decades was killed by Makah whalers. The hunt marked the return of a centuries-old tradition and, predictably, set off a fierce political and environmental debate. Whalers from the Makah Indian Tribe and antiwhaling activists from across the country have clashed for over twenty years, with no end to this conflict in sight.

In *Contesting Leviathan*, anthropologist Les Beldo describes the complex judicial and political climate for whale conservation in the United States, and the limits of the current framework in which whales are treated as “large fish” managed by the National Marine Fisheries Service. Emphasizing the moral dimension of the conflict between the Makah, the US government, and antiwhaling activists, Beldo brings to light the lived ethics of human-animal interaction, as well as how different groups claim to speak for the whale—the only silent party in this conflict. A timely and sensitive study of a complicated issue, this book calls into question anthropological expectations regarding who benefits from the exercise of state power in environmental conflicts, especially where indigenous groups are involved. Vividly told and rigorously argued, *Contesting Leviathan* will appeal to anthropologists, scholars of indigenous culture, animal activists, and any reader interested in the place of animals in contemporary life.
CHRISTOPHER M. KELTY
NATALIE PORTER

Participation is everywhere today. It has been formalized, measured, standardized, scaled up, network-enabled, and sent around the world. Platforms, algorithms, and software offer to make participation easier, but new technologies have had the opposite effect. We find ourselves suspicious of how participation extracts our data or monetizes our emotions, and the more procedural participation becomes, the more it seems to recede from our grasp.

In this book, Christopher M. Kelty traces four stories of participation across the twentieth century, showing how they are part of a much longer-term problem in relation to the individual and collective experience of representative democracy. Kelty argues that in the last century or so, the power of participation has dwindled; over time, it has been formatted in ways that cramp and dwarf it, even as the drive to participate has spread to nearly every kind of human endeavor, all around the world. The Participant is a historical ethnography of the concept of participation, investigating how the concept has evolved into the form it takes today. It is a book that asks, “Why do we participate?” And sometimes, “Why do we refuse?”

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Viral Economies
Bird Flu Experiments in Vietnam
NATALIE PORTER

Over the last decade, infectious disease outbreaks have heightened fears of a catastrophic pandemic passing from animals to humans. From Ebola and bird flu to swine flu and MERS, zoonotic viruses are killing animals and wreaking havoc on the people living near them. Given this clear correlation between animals and viral infection, why are animals largely invisible in social science accounts of pandemics, and why do they remain marginal in critiques of global public health?

In Viral Economies, Natalie Porter draws on long-term research on bird flu in Vietnam to chart the pathways of scientists, NGO workers, state veterinarians, and poultry farmers as they define and address pandemic risks. Porter argues that as global health programs expand their purview to include life and livestock, they weigh the interests of public health against those of commercial agriculture, rural tradition, and scientific innovation. Porter challenges human-centered analyses of pandemics, and shows how these dynamic and often dangerous human-animal relations take on global significance as poultry and their pathogens travel through transnational health networks and global livestock economies. Viral Economies urges readers to think critically about the ideas, relationships, and practices that produce our everyday commodities and that shape how we determine the value of life—both human and nonhuman.

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A Century of Participation in Four Stories
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Inward
Vipassana Meditation and the Embodiment of the Self
MICHAL PAGIS

Western society has never been more interested in interiority. Indeed, it seems more and more people are deliberately looking inward—toward the mind, the body, or both. Michal Pagis’s Inward focuses on one increasingly popular channel for the introverted gaze: vipassana meditation, which has spread from Burma to more than forty countries and counting. Pagis turns our attention not only to the practice of vipassana but to the communities that have sprung up around it, lacing her account with vivid anecdotes and personal stories. Inward is also a social history of the westward diffusion of Eastern religious practices spurred on by the lingering effects of the British colonial presence in India. At the same time, Pagis asks knotty questions about what happens when we continually turn inward, investigating the complex relations between physical selves, emotional selves, and our larger social worlds. As a whole, her book sheds new light on evergreen topics such as globalization, social psychology, and the place of the human body in the enduring process of self-awareness.

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The Patchwork City
Class, Space, and Politics in Metro Manila
MARCO Z. GARRIDO

In contemporary Manila, slums and squatter settlements are peppered throughout the city, often pushing right up against the walled enclaves of the privileged, creating the complex geopolitical pattern of Marco Z. Garrido’s “patchwork city.” Garrido documents the fragmentation of Manila into a mélange of spaces defined by class, particularly slums and upper- and middle-class enclaves. He then looks beyond urban fragmentation to delineate its effects on class relations and politics, arguing that the proliferation of these slums and enclaves and their subsequent proximity have intensified class relations. For enclave residents, the proximity of slums is a source of insecurity, compelling them to impose spatial boundaries on slum residents. For slum residents, the regular imposition of these boundaries creates a pervasive sense of discrimination. Class boundaries then sharpen along the housing divide, and the urban poor and middle class emerge not as labor and capital but as squatters and “villagers,” Manila’s name for subdivision residents. Garrido further examines the politization of this divide with the case of the populist president Joseph Estrada, finding the two sides drawn into contention over not just the right to the city, but the nature of democracy itself.

The Patchwork City illuminates how segregation, class relations, and democracy are all intensely connected. It makes clear, ultimately, that class as a social structure is as indispensable to the study of Manila—and of many other cities of the Global South—as race is to the study of American cities.

Marco Z. Garrido is assistant professor of sociology at the University of Chicago.
In 2002, the national spotlight fell on Boston’s archdiocese, where decades of rampant sexual misconduct from priests—and the church’s systematic coverups—were exposed by reporters from the *Boston Globe*. The sordid and tragic stories of abuse and secrecy led many to leave the church outright, and others to rekindle their faith and deny any suggestions of institutional wrongdoing. But a number of Catholics vowed to find a middle ground between these two extremes: keeping their faith while simultaneously working to change the church for the better.

*Beyond Betrayal* charts a nationwide identity shift through the story of one chapter of Voice of the Faithful (VOTF), an organization founded in the scandal’s aftermath. VOTF had three goals: helping survivors of abuse; supporting priests who were either innocent or took risky public stands against the wrongdoers; and pursuing a broad set of structural changes in the church. Patricia Ewick and Marc W. Steinberg follow two years in the life of one of the longest-lived and most active chapters of VOTF, whose thwarted early efforts at ecclesiastical reform led them to realize that before they could change the Catholic Church, they had to change themselves. The shaping of their collective identity is at the heart of *Beyond Betrayal*, an ethnographic portrait of how one group reimagined their place within the institutional order and forged new ideas of faith in the wake of widespread distrust.

*Beyond Betrayal* is the first book to examine how a group negotiated its identity in the wake of the church scandal. It tells the story of a Catholic Church that was considered inviolable and untarnishable, of a group that was faced with a series of choices between keeping their faith and changing the church. The book is a rich ethnography of the group’s identity formation, their hopes and fears, and their ultimate decision to fight for change within the church.

*Beyond Betrayal* is a must-read for anyone interested in the sociology of religion, the sociology of identity, or the history of the Catholic Church in the United States.
Film has shaped modern society in part by changing its cultures of memory. Film, Music, Memory reveals that this change has rested in no small measure on the mnemonic powers of music. As films were consumed by growing American and European audiences, their soundtracks became an integral part of individual and collective memory. Berthold Hoeckner analyzes three critical processes through which music influenced this new culture of memory: storage, retrieval, and affect. Films store memory through an archive of cinematic scores. In turn, a few bars from a soundtrack instantly recall the image that accompanied them, and along with it, the affective experience of the movie.

Hoeckner examines films that reflect directly on memory, whether by featuring an amnesic character, a traumatic event, or a surge of nostalgia. As the history of cinema unfolded, movies even began to recall their own history through quotations, remakes, and stories about how cinema contributed to the soundtrack of people’s lives. Ultimately, Film, Music, Memory demonstrates that music has transformed not only what we remember about the cinematic experience, but also how we relate to memory itself.

Berthold Hoeckner is professor of music at the University of Chicago. He is the author of Programming the Absolute: Nineteenth-Century German Music and the Hermeneutics of the Moment.

In Civic Gifts, Elisabeth S. Clemens takes a singular approach to probing the puzzle that is the United States. How, she asks, did a powerful state develop within an anti-statist political culture? How did a sense of shared nationhood develop despite the linguistic, religious, and ethnic differences among settlers and, eventually, citizens? Clemens reveals that an important piece of the answer to these questions can be found in the unexpected political uses of benevolence and philanthropy, practices of gift-giving and reciprocity that coexisted uneasily with the self-sufficient independence expected of liberal citizens.

Civic Gifts focuses on the power of gifts not only to mobilize communities throughout US history, but also to create new forms of solidarity among strangers. Clemens makes clear how, from the early Republic through the Second World War, reciprocity was an important tool for eliciting both the commitments and the capacities needed to face natural disasters, economic crises, and unprecedented national challenges. Encompassing a range of endeavors from the mobilized voluntarism of the Civil War, through Community Chests and the Red Cross to the FDR-driven rise of the March of Dimes, Clemens shows how voluntary efforts were repeatedly articulated with government projects. The legacy of these efforts is a state co-constituted with, as much as constrained by, civil society.

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The early years of film were dominated by competition between inventors in America and France, especially Thomas Edison and the Lumière brothers. But while these have generally been considered the foremost pioneers of film, they were not the only crucial figures in its inception. These are a few of the startling visual moments that Garrett Stewart examines in Cinemachines, a compelling, powerful, and witty book about the cultural and mechanical apparatuses that underlie modern cinema.

Engaging in fresh ways with revelatory special effects in the history of cinematic storytelling—from Buster Keaton’s breaching of the film screen in Sherlock Jr. to the pixel disintegration of a remotely projected hologram in Blade Runner 2049—Stewart’s book puts unprecedented emphasis on technique in moving image narrative. Complicating and revising the discourse on historical screen processes, Cinemachines will be crucial reading for anyone interested in the evolution of the movies from a celluloid to a digital medium.

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Composing Capital
Classical Music in the Neoliberal Era
MARIANNA RITCHEY

The familiar old world of classical music, with its wealthy donors and ornate concert halls, is changing. The patronage of a wealthy few is now being replaced by that of corporations, leading to new unions of classical music and contemporary capitalism. In *Composing Capital*, Marianna Ritchey lays bare the appropriation of classical music by the current neoliberal regime. Artists, critics, and institutions have aligned themselves—and, by extension, classical music itself—with free-market ideology. More specifically, Ritchey is interested in how classical music has lent its cachet to marketing schemes, performances for tech firms, and global corporate partnerships. As Ritchey shows, the neoliberalization of classical music has put music at the service of contemporary capitalism, blurring the line between creativity and entrepreneurship, and challenging us to imagine how a noncommodified musical practice might be possible in today's world.

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Music and the New Global Culture
From the Great Exhibitions to the Jazz Age
HARRY LIEBERSONH

Music listeners today can effortlessly flip from K-pop to Ravi Shankar to Amadou & Mariam with a few quick clicks of a mouse. While contemporary globalized musical culture has become ubiquitous and unremarkable, its fascinating origins long predate the internet era. In *Music and the New Global Culture*, Harry Liebersohn traces the origins of global music to a handful of critical transformations that took place between the mid-nineteenth and early twentieth century. In Britain, the arts and crafts movement inspired a fascination with non-Western music; Germany fostered a scholarly approach to global musical comparison, creating the field we now call ethnomusicology; and the United States provided the technological foundation for the dissemination of a diverse spectrum of musical cultures by launching the phonograph industry. This is not just a story of Western innovation, however: Liebersohn shows musical responses to globalization in diverse areas that include the major metropolises of India and China and remote settlements in South America and the Arctic. By tracing this long history of world music, Liebersohn shows how global movement has forever changed how we hear music—and indeed, how we feel about the world around us.

Harry Liebersohn is the Center for Advanced Study Professor of History at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. He is the author of several books, including most recently, *The Return of the Gift: European History of a Global Idea.*
Paul F. Berliner is the Arts and Sciences Professor Emeritus of Music at Duke University. He is the author of Thinking in Jazz: The Infinite Art of Improvisation and The Soul of Mbira: Music and Traditions of the Shona People of Zimbabwe, both published by the University of Chicago Press. Cosmas Magaya is an internationally renowned Zimbabwean mbira player, teacher, and cultural ambassador.
Music has long been an avenue for protest, seen as a way to promote freedom and equality, instill hope, and fight for change. Popular music, in particular, is considered to be an effective form of subversion and resistance under oppressive circumstances. But as Nomi Dave shows us in *The Revolution’s Echoes*, the opposite is also true—music can often support, rather than challenge, the powers that be.

Examining fifty years of history in Guinea, Dave introduces readers to the music supporting the authoritarian regime of former president Sékou Touré, and to the musicians who, even long after his death, have continued to praise dictators and avoid dissent. Dave shows that this isn’t just the result of state manipulation—even in the absence of coercion, musicians and their audiences take real pleasure in musical praise of leaders. Time and again, whether in traditional music or in newer genres such as rap, Guinean musicians have celebrated state power and authority. With *The Revolution’s Echoes*, Dave insists that we must grapple with the uncomfortable truth that some forms of music choose to support authoritarianism, generating new pleasures and new politics in the process.

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Most studies of musical improvisation focus on individual musicians. But that is not the whole story. From jazz to flamenco, Shona mbira to Javanese gamelan, improvised practices thrive on group creativity, relying on the close interaction of multiple simultaneously improvising performers. In *Making It Up Together*, Leslie A. Tilley explores the practice of collective musical improvisation cross-culturally, making a case for placing collectivity at the center of improvisation discourse and advocating ethnographically informed music analysis as a powerful tool for investigating improvisational processes.

Through two contrasting Balinese case studies—of the *repong* gong chime’s melodic *norot* practice and the interlocking drumming tradition *ken-dang arja*—Tilley proposes and tests analytical frameworks for examining collectively improvised performance. At the micro-level, Tilley’s analyses offer insight into the note-by-note decisions of improvising performers; at the macro-level, they illuminate larger musical, discursive, structural, and cultural factors shaping those decisions. This multi-tiered inquiry reveals that unpacking how performers play and imagine as a collective is crucial to understanding improvisation and demonstrates how music analysis can elucidate these complex musical and interactional relationships.

Setting new parameters for the study of improvisation, *Making It Up Together* opens up fresh possibilities for understanding the creative process, in music and beyond.

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Move On Up
Chicago Soul Music and Black Cultural Power

Curtis Mayfield. The Chi-Lites. Chaka Khan. Chicago’s place in the history of soul music is rock solid. But for Chicagoans, soul music in its heyday from the 1960s to the 1980s was more than just a series of hits: it was a marker and a source of black empowerment. In Move On Up, Aaron Cohen tells the remarkable story of the explosion of soul music in Chicago. Together, soul music and black-owned businesses thrived. Record producers and song-writers broadcast optimism for black America’s future through their sophisticated, jazz-inspired productions for the Dells and many others. Curtis Mayfield boldly sang of uplift with unmistakable grooves like “We’re a Winner” and “I Plan to Stay a Believer.” Musicians like Phil Cohran and the Pharaohs used their music to voice Afrocentric philosophies that challenged racism and segregation, while Maurice White of Earth, Wind, and Fire and Chaka Khan created music that inspired black consciousness. Soul music also accompanied the rise of African American advertisers and the campaign of Chicago’s first black mayor, Harold Washington, in 1983. This empowerment sat in stark relief against the social unrest roiling in Chicago and across the nation: as Chicago’s homegrown record labels produced rising stars singing songs of progress and freedom, Chicago’s black middle class faced limited economic opportunities and deep-seated segregation, all against a backdrop of nationwide deindustrialization.

Drawing on more than one hundred interviews, and with a music critic’s passion for the unmistakable Chicago soul sound, Cohen shows us how soul music became the voice of inspiration and change for a city in turmoil.

Aaron Cohen covers the arts for numerous publications and teaches English, journalism, and humanities at the City Colleges of Chicago. He is the author of Aretha Franklin’s “Amazing Grace.”
From bell ringing to fireworks, gongs to cannon salutes, the China encountered by the West around 1800 was marked by a dazzling variety of sounds and soundscapes. These sounds were gathered by diplomats, trade officials, missionaries, and other travelers and transmitted back to Europe, where they were reconstructed in the imaginations of writers, philosophers, and music historians such as Jean-Philippe Rameau, Johann Nikolaus Forkel, and Charles Burney. Thomas Irvine gathers these stories in *Listening to China*, exploring how the sonic encounter with China shaped perceptions of Europe’s own musical development.

Through these stories, Irvine not only investigates how the Sino-Western encounter sounded, but also traces the West’s shifting response to China from a vision of shared musical approaches to one focused on sonic disorder as trading broke down. At the same time, Irvine reconsiders the idea of a specifically Western music history by revealing that comparison with a great “other” helped this idea emerge. Ultimately, Irvine draws attention to the ways Western ears were implicated in the colonial and imperial project in China, as well as to China’s importance to the construction of musical knowledge during and after the European Enlightenment. Timely and original, *Listening to China* is a must-read for music scholars and historians of China alike.

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**London Voices, 1820–1840**

*Vocal Performers, Practices, Histories*

*Edited by ROGER PARKER and SUSAN RUTHERFORD*

London, 1820. The British capital is a metropolis that overwhelms dwellers and visitors alike with constant exposure to all kinds of sensory stimulation. Over the next two decades, the city’s tumult will reach new heights, as population expansion places different classes in dangerous proximity, ideas of political and social reform linger in the air, and London begins to undergo enormous infrastructure changes that will alter it forever.

It is the London of this period that editors Roger Parker and Susan Rutherford focus on in their book, which chooses one broad musical category—voice—and engages with it through essays on music of the streets, theaters, opera houses, and concert halls; on the raising of voices in religious and socio-political contexts; and on the perception of voice in literary works and scientific experiments on acoustics. The concentration on voice also leads to an emphasis on human subjects, allowing the authors to explore the multifaceted issues that occupied the city, explore the anxiety surrounding the city’s importance in the musical world at large, and examine the changing vocal imaginations that permeated the epoch. Capturing the breadth of sonic stimulations and cultures available—and sometimes unavoidable—to residents at the time, *London Voices* sheds new light on music in Britain and the richness of London culture during this period.

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**Roger Parker** is professor of music at King’s College London. **Susan Rutherford** is professor of music at the University of Manchester.
In the early 1800s, Rossini’s operas permeated Italian culture, from the opera house to myriad arrangements heard in public and private. But after Rossini stopped composing new works there was a sharp decline in popularity that drove most of his works out of the repertory. In the past half century, they have made a spectacular return to operatic stages worldwide, but this newly found fame has not been accompanied by a comparable critical reevaluation.

Emanuele Senici’s new book provides a fresh look at the motives behind the Rossinian furore and its aftermath by placing his works into the culture and society in which they were conceived, performed, seen, heard, and discussed. The book does so by situating the operas firmly in the context of the social practices, cultural formations, ideological currents, and political events of nineteenth-century Italy, revealing how Rossini’s dramaturgy emerges as a radically new and specifically Italian reaction to the epoch-making changes witnessed in Europe at the time. The first book-length study of Rossini’s Italian operas to appear in English, Music in the Present Tense opens up new ways to explore nineteenth-century music and addresses crucial issues in the history of modernity such as trauma, repetition, and the healing power of theatricality.

Emanuele Senici is professor of music history at the University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy. He is the author of Landscape and Gender in Italian Opera: The Alpine Virgin from Bellini to Puccini and the editor of the Cambridge Companion to Rossini.

In the contemporary world, voices are caught up in fundamentally different realms of discourse, practice, and culture: between sounding and nonsounding, material and nonmaterial, literal and metaphorical. In The Voice as Something More, Martha Feldman and Judith T. Zeitlin tackle these paradoxes with a bold and rigorous collection of essays that look at voice as both object of desire and material object.

Using Mladen Dolar’s influential A Voice and Nothing More as a reference point, The Voice as Something More reorients Dolar’s psychoanalytic analysis around the material dimensions of voices—their physicality and timbre, the fleshiness of their mechanisms, the veils that hide them, and the devices that enhance and distort them. Throughout, the essays put the body back in voice. Ending with an afterword by Dolar that offers reflections on these vocal aesthetics and paradoxes, this authoritative, multidisciplinary collection, ranging from Europe and the Americas to East Asia, from classics and music to film and literature, will serve as an essential entry point for scholars and students who are thinking toward materiality.

Martha Feldman is the Mabel Greene Myers Professor of Music and Romance Languages and Literatures and Judith T. Zeitlin is the William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, both at the University of Chicago. They are also members of the Faculty Committee in Theater and Performance Studies at the university.
Make Yourselves Gods
Mormons and the Unfinished Business of American Secularism

PETER COVIELLO

From the perspective of Protestant America, nineteenth-century Mormons were the victims of a peculiar zealotry, a population deranged—socially, sexually, even racially—by the extravagances of belief they called "religion." Make Yourselves Gods offers a counter-history of early Mormon theology and practice, tracking the Saints from their emergence as a dissident sect to their renunciation of polygamy at century's end.

Over these turbulent decades, Mormons would appear by turns as heretics, sex-radicals, refugees, anti-imperialists, colonizers, and, eventually, reluctant monogamists and enfranchised citizens. Reading Mormonism through a synthesis of religious history, political theology, native studies, and queer theory, Peter Coviello deftly crafts a new framework for imagining orthodoxy, citizenship, and the fate of the flesh in nineteenth-century America. What emerges is a story about the violence, wild beauty, and extravagant imaginative power of this era of Mormonism—an impassioned book with a keen interest in the racial history of sexuality and the unfinished business of American secularism.

Peter Coviello is professor of English at the University of Illinois at Chicago. His books include Tomorrow’s Parties: Sex and the Untimely in Nineteenth-Century America and Long Players: A Love Story in Eighteen Songs.

Mobilizing Mutations

Human Genetics in the Age of Patient Advocacy

Daniel Navon

With every passing year, more and more people learn that they or their young or unborn children carry a genetic mutation. But what does this mean for the way we understand a person? Today, genetic mutations are being used to diagnose novel conditions like the XYY, Fragile X, NGLY1, and 22q11.2 Deletion Syndromes, carving out rich new categories of human disease and difference. Daniel Navon calls this form of categorization “genomic designation,” and in Mobilizing Mutations he shows how mutations, and the social factors that surround them, are reshaping human classification.

Drawing on a wealth of fieldwork and historical material, Navon presents a sociological account of the ways genetic mutations have been mobilized and transformed in the sixty years since it became possible to see abnormal human genomes, providing a new vista onto the myriad ways contemporary genetic testing can transform people’s lives.

Taking us inside these shifting worlds of research and advocacy over the last half-century, Navon shows us how knowledge about genetic mutations can redefine what it means to be ill, different, and ultimately, human.

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The Conservative Case for Class Actions

BRIAN T. FITZPATRICK

Since the 1960s, the class action lawsuit has been a powerful tool for holding businesses accountable. Yet years of attacks by corporate America and unfavorable rulings by the Supreme Court have left its future uncertain. In this book, Brian T. Fitzpatrick makes the case for the importance of class action litigation from a surprising political perspective: an unabashedly conservative point of view.

Conservatives have opposed class actions in recent years, but Fitzpatrick argues that they should see such litigation not as a danger to the economy, but as a form of private enforcement of the law. He starts from the premise that all of us, conservatives and libertarians included, believe that markets need at least some rules to thrive, from laws that enforce contracts to laws that prevent companies from committing fraud. He also reminds us that conservatives consider the private sector to be superior to the government in most areas. And the relatively little-discussed intersection of those two beliefs is where the benefits of class action lawsuits become clear: when corporations commit misdeeds, class action lawsuits enlist the private sector to intervene, resulting in a smaller role for the government, lower taxes, and, ultimately, more effective solutions.

Offering a novel argument that will surprise partisans on all sides, The Conservative Case for Class Actions is sure to breathe new life into this long-running debate.

Brian T. Fitzpatrick is professor of law at Vanderbilt University.

The Discourse of Police Interviews

Edited by MARIANNE MASON and FRANCES ROCK

Forensic linguistics, or the study of language and the law, is a growing field of scholarly and public interest. Yet books on the subject have predominantly been introductions to the field or aimed at summarizing its applications, often with a focus on a single aspect of the legal system. The Discourse of Police Interviews aims to further the discussion by focusing exclusively on how police interviews are constructed and used to investigate and prosecute crimes.

The first book to focus exclusively on police interview dialogue, The Discourse of Police Interviews examines leading debates, approaches, and topics in contemporary police interview research. Among other topics, the book explores the sociolinguistic, psychological, and discursive framework of popular police interview techniques employed in the United States and the United Kingdom, such as PEACE and Reid, and the discursive practices of institutional representatives like police officers and interpreters that can influence the construction and quality of linguistic evidence. Together, the contributions situate the police interview as part of a complex, and multistage, criminal justice process. Despite the role of discourse in potentially shaping legal outcomes, the use of linguistic analysis to understand the legal process is yet to be fully and uniformly embraced, and the book will be of interest to both scholars and practitioners in a variety of fields, such as linguistic anthropology, interpreting studies, criminology, law, and sociology.

Marianne Mason is assistant professor of translation and interpreting studies and linguistics at James Madison University. She is the author of Courtroom Interpreting. Frances Rock is a reader in the Centre for Language and Communication Research at Cardiff University and a founding member of the forensic linguistics research network Cardiff Language and Law.
Juries have been at the center of some of the most emotionally charged moments of political life. At the same time, their capacity for legitimate decision making has been under scrutiny, because of events like the acquittal of George Zimmerman by a Florida jury for the shooting of Trayvon Martin and the decisions of several grand juries not to indict police officers for the killing of unarmed black men. Meanwhile, the overall use of juries has also declined in recent years, with most cases settled or resolved by plea bargain.

With *Radical Enfranchisement in the Jury Room and Public Life*, Sonali Chakravarti offers a full-throated defense of juries as a democratic institution. She argues that juries provide an important site for democratic action by citizens and that their use should be revived. The jury, Chakravarti argues, could be a forward-looking institution that nurtures the best democratic instincts of citizens, but this requires a change in civic education regarding the skills that should be cultivated in jurors before and through the process of a trial. Being a juror, perhaps counterintuitively, can guide citizens in how to be thoughtful rule-breakers by changing their relationship to their own perceptions and biases and by making options for collective action salient, but they must be better prepared and instructed along the way.

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How things are divided up or pieced together matters. Half a bridge is of no use at all. Conversely, many things would do more good if they could be divided up differently: Perhaps you would prefer a job that involves a third less work and a third less pay or a car that materializes only when needed and is priced accordingly? Difficulties in “slicing” and “lumping” shape nearly every facet of how we live and work—and a great deal of law and policy as well.

Lee Anne Fennell explores how both types of challenges—carving out useful slices and assembling useful lumps—surface in myriad contexts, from hot button issues like conservation and eminent domain to developments in the sharing economy to personal struggles over work, money, time, diet, and exercise. Yet the significance of configuration is often overlooked, leading to missed opportunities for improving our lives. With a technology-fueled entrepreneurial explosion underway that is dividing goods, services, and jobs in novel ways, and as urbanization and environmental threats raise the stakes for assembling resources and cooperation, this is an especially exciting and crucial time to confront questions of slicing and lumping. The future of the city, the workplace, the marketplace, and the environment all turn on matters of configuration, as do the prospects for more effective legal doctrines, for better management of finances and health, and more. This book reveals configuration’s power and potential—as a unifying concept and as a focus of public and private innovation.

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Who Owns Religion?

Scholars and Their Publics in the Late Twentieth Century

Who Owns Religion? focuses on a period—the late 1980s through the 1990s—when scholars of religion were accused of scandalizing or denigrating the very communities they had imagined themselves honoring through their work. While controversies involving scholarly claims about religion are nothing new, this period saw an increase in vitriol that remains with us today. Authors of seemingly arcane studies on subjects like the origins of the idea of Mother Earth or the sexual dynamics of mysticism have been targets of hate mail and book-banning campaigns. As a result, scholars of religion have struggled to describe their own work to their various publics, and even to themselves.

Taking the reader through several compelling case studies, Laurie L. Patton identifies two trends of the ’80s and ’90s that fueled that rise: the growth of multicultural identity politics, which enabled a form of volatile public debate she terms “eruptive public space,” and the advent of the internet, which offered new ways for religious groups to read scholarship and respond publicly. These controversies, she shows, were also fundamentally about something new: the very rights of secular, Western scholarship to interpret religions at all.

Patton’s book holds out hope that scholars can find a space for their work between the university and the communities they study. Scholars of religion, she argues, have multiple masters and must move between them while writing histories and speaking about realities that not everyone may be interested in hearing.

Laurie L. Patton is president of Middlebury College and president of the American Academy of Religion for 2019. Her books include Bringing the Gods to Mind: Mantra and Ritual in Early Indian Sacrifice.

“A fascinating book about the public life of the discipline of religion in North America, told through the ‘eruptions’ of scandals and controversies that spill over the boundaries of the academy. It is a kind of anthropology of the living discipline in this moment, and in this way this book has few rivals.”

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In this new edition of the anthropological classic *Exotic No More*, some of today's most respected anthropologists demonstrate the tremendous contributions that anthropological theory and ethnographic methods can make to the study of contemporary society. With chapters covering a wide variety of subjects—the economy, religion, the sciences, gender and sexuality, human rights, music and art, tourism, migration, and the internet—this volume shows how anthropologists grapple with a world that is in constant and accelerating transformation. Each contributor uses examples from their adventurous fieldwork to challenge us to rethink some of our most firmly held notions.

This fully updated edition reflects the best that anthropology has to offer in the twenty-first century. The result is both an invaluable introduction to the field for students and a landmark achievement that will set the agenda for critical approaches to the study of contemporary life.

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DAVID TRACY

Fragments

David Tracy is widely considered the most important Catholic theologian in North America, known for his pluralistic vision and disciplinary breadth. His first book in more than twenty years reflects Tracy’s range and erudition, collecting essays from the 1980s to 2018 into a two-volume work that will be greeted with joy by his admirers and praise from new readers.

In the first volume, Fragments, Tracy gathers his most important essays on broad theological questions, beginning with the problem of suffering across Greek tragedy, Christianity, and Buddhism. The volume goes on to address the problem of the Infinite, and the many attempts to categorize and name it by Plato, Aristotle, Rilke, Heidegger, and others. In the remaining essays, he reflects on questions of the invisible, contemplation, sunyata, hermeneutics, and public theology.

Filaments arranges its subjects in rough chronological order, from choices in ancient theology, such as Augustine, through the likes of William of St. Thierry in the medieval period and Martin Luther in the early modern, and finally to modern and contemporary thinkers including Bernard Lonergan, Karl Rahner, Reinhold Niebuhr, and Paul Tillich. Taken together, these essays can be understood as a partial initiation into a history of Christian theology defined by Tracy’s key virtues of plurality and ambiguity.

Marked by Tracy’s surprising insights and connections, Fragments and Filaments bring the work of one of North America’s most important religious thinkers once again to the forefront to be celebrated by longtime readers and new ones alike.

David Tracy is the Andrew Thomas Greeley and Grace McNichols Greeley Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus of Catholic Studies and professor of theology and the philosophy of religions at the University of Chicago. He is the author of ten books, including Plurality and Ambiguity and Blessed Rage for Order, also published by the University of Chicago Press.

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Suddenly Diverse
How School Districts Manage Race and Inequality
ERICA O. TURNER

For the past five years, American public schools have enrolled more students identified as Black, Latinx, American Indian, and Asian than white. At the same time, more than half of US school children now qualify for federally subsidized meals, a marker of poverty. The makeup of schools is rapidly changing, and many districts and school boards are at a loss as to how they can effectively and equitably handle these shifts.

Suddenly Diverse is an ethnographic account of two school districts in the Midwest responding to rapidly changing demographics at their schools. It is based on observations and in-depth interviews with school-board members and superintendents, as well as staff, community members, and other stakeholders in each district: one serving “Lakeside,” a predominately working class, conservative community and the other serving “Fairview,” a more affluent, liberal community. Erica O. Turner looks at district leaders’ adoption of business-inspired policy tools and the ultimate successes and failures of such responses. Turner’s findings demonstrate that, despite their intentions to promote “diversity” or eliminate “achievement gaps,” district leaders adopted policies and practices that ultimately perpetuated existing inequalities and advanced new forms of racism.

While suggesting some ways forward, Suddenly Diverse shows that, without changes to these managerial policies and practices and larger transformations to the whole system, even district leaders’ best efforts will continue to undermine the promise of educational equity and the realization of more robust public schools.

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The Aliites
Race and Law in the Religions of Noble Drew Ali
SPENCER DEW

“Citizenship is salvation,” preached Noble Drew Ali, leader of the Moorish Science Temple of America in the early twentieth century. Ali’s message was an aspirational call for black Americans to undertake a struggle for recognition from the state, one that would both ensure protection for all Americans under rights guaranteed by the law and correct the unjust implementation of law that prevailed in the racially segregated United States. Ali and his followers took on this mission of citizenship as a religious calling, working to carve out a place for themselves in American democracy and to bring about a society that lived up to what they considered the sacred purpose of the law.

In The Aliites, Spencer Dew traces the history and impact of Ali’s radical fusion of law and faith. Dew uncovers the influence of Ali’s teaching, including the many movements it inspired. As Dew shows, Ali’s teachings demonstrate an implicit, yet critical component of the American approach to law: that it should express our highest ideals for society, even if it is rarely perfect in practice. Examining this robustly creative yet largely overlooked lineage of African American religious thought, Dew provides a window onto religion, race, citizenship, and law in America.

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The idea that a senator—Republican or Democrat—would put the greater good of the country ahead of party seems nearly impossible to imagine in our current climate of gridlock and divisiveness. But this hasn’t always been the case. Arthur H. Vandenberg (1884–1951), Republican from Grand Rapids, Michigan, was the model of a consensus builder, and the coalitions he spearheaded are the foundation of American foreign and domestic policy even today. Edward R. Murrow called him “the central pivot of the entire era,” yet despite his significance, Vandenberg has never received the full public attention he is due—until now. With this authoritative biography, Hendrik Meijer reveals how Vandenberg built and nurtured the bipartisan consensus that created the American Century.

“A first-class political biography, enthralling, a page-turner. It ought to win prizes. Meijer ought to quit business and do this full-time. . . . On top of everything else, this biography is ‘relevant,’ as people like to say. Indeed, it is ‘ripped’ from the headlines. It discusses, among other issues, nationalism, populism, immigration, ‘America First,’ the United Nations, NATO—even the Civil War and the nature of the Confederacy. . . . Anyone interested in American politics and world affairs would be absorbed by this book. In our crowded lives, we scarcely have time to look at a book. Frankly, I may read this one twice.”—Jay Nordlinger, National Review

“Superb. . . . Meijer’s eye-opening biography will have many readers asking what has become, in the half-century since Vandenberg’s demise, of bipartisanship and a sense of civic duty in our elected officials.”—New Criterion

Hendrik Meijer worked as a reporter and editor before joining Meijer, Inc., where he is executive chairman. He is the author of a biography of his grandfather, Thrifty Years: The Life of Hendrik Meijer, and the executive producer of the documentary America’s Senator: The Unexpected Odyssey of Arthur Vandenberg.
“Who owns the past and the objects that physically connect us to history? And who has the right to decide this ownership, particularly when the objects are sacred or, in the case of skeletal remains, human? Is it the museums that care for the objects or the communities whose ancestors made them? These questions are at the heart of *Plundered Skulls and Stolen Spirits*, an unflinching insider account by a leading curator who has spent years learning how to balance these controversial considerations.

“*Plundered Skulls and Stolen Spirits* is a sobering peek into the controversy that surrounds tribal artifacts and human remains found in museums throughout the United States. His eloquent narration details several unique cases of repatriation. . . . Colwell has a unique perspective. He provides the reader with a firsthand look at the repatriation process, sympathetically including tribal perspectives—something that few museum [curators] have sought to do when writing on this subject in the past.”—*Science*

“Colwell ably and sensitively tells the often conflict-ridden story of how and why museums in the United States relinquished their hold over this material. . . . Colwell’s account favours the Native American perspective—a sensible approach for a book aimed at scientifically literate readers who may lean the other way. Readers will come away with a deeper appreciation of Native American cultural imperatives and the complexity of the situation.”—*New Scientist*

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DEIRDRE NANSEN MCCLOSKEY

Crossing
A Transgender Memoir
With a New Afterword

“I visited womanhood and stayed. It was not for the pleasures, though I discovered many I had not imagined, and many pains too. But calculating pleasures and pains was not the point. The point was who I am.”

Once a golden boy of conservative economics and a child of 1950s privilege, Deirdre McCloskey (formerly Donald) had wanted to change gender from the age of 11. But it was a different time, one hostile to any sort of straying from the path—against gays, socialists, women with professions, men without hats, and so on—and certainly against gender transition. Finally, in 1995, at the age of 53, it was time to cross the gender line.

Crossing is the story of McCloskey’s dramatic and poignant transformation from Donald to Dee to Deirdre. She chronicles the physical procedures and emotional evolution required, as well as the legal and cultural roadblocks she faced, in her journey to womanhood. By turns searing and humorous, this is the unflinching, unforgettable story of her transformation—what she lost, what she gained, and the women who lifted her up along the way.

Published to great acclaim in 1999, McCloskey’s memoir was a revelatory, trailblazing text that remains relevant today. For this reissue, she has added an afterword that picks up where the previous edition left off, detailing new reflections on womanhood, identity, and relationships in the twenty-three years since her transition. At a time when transgender rights are under threat in the United States and around the world, McCloskey’s story is more timely and vital than ever.

Deirdre Nansen McCloskey is distinguished professor of economics, history, English, and communication at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Among her many books are The Bourgeois Virtues, Bourgeois Dignity, Bourgeois Equality, Economical Writing, The Secret Sins of Economics, and If You’re So Smart: The Narrative of Economic Expertise, all published by the University of Chicago Press.
In August 1812, under threat from the Potawatomi, Captain Nathan Heald began the evacuation of ninety-four people from the isolated outpost of Fort Dearborn to Fort Wayne. The group included several dozen soldiers, as well as nine women and eighteen children. After traveling only a mile and a half, they were attacked by five hundred Potawatomi warriors. In under an hour, fifty-two members of Heald’s party were killed, and the rest were taken prisoner; the Potawatomi then burned Fort Dearborn before returning to their villages. These events are now seen as a foundational moment in Chicago’s storied past.

In the first book devoted entirely to this crucial period, Ann Durkin Keating tells a story not only of military conquest but of the lives of people on all sides of the conflict. She highlights such figures as Jean Baptiste Point de Sable and John Kinzie and demonstrates that early Chicago was a place of cross-cultural reliance among the French, the Americans, and the Native Americans. Published to commemorate the bicentennial of the Battle of Fort Dearborn, this gripping account of the birth of Chicago will become required reading for anyone seeking to understand the city and its complex origins.

“[An] informative, ambitious account. . . . Keating’s well-researched book rights some misconceptions about the old conflicts, the strategies of the whites and Indians to keep their land, and how early Chicago came to exist.”—Publishers Weekly

Ann Durkin Keating is the Dr. C. Frederick Toenniges professor of history at North Central College in Naperville, Illinois. She is coeditor of The Encyclopedia of Chicago and the author of several books, including Chicagoland: City and Suburbs in the Railroad Age and Chicago Neighborhoods and Suburbs: A Historical Guide, both published by the University of Chicago Press.
BRUCE IGLAUER and PATRICK A. ROBERTS

Bitten by the Blues
The Alligator Records Story

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.

“An enlightening view of the music-making process—from scouting talent to obscure clubs to the quest for originality in the studio to marketing and distribution.”—DownBeat

“No book written today has told a more complete story of contemporary Chicago blues and its multitude of musicians as thoroughly as Bitten by the Blues. This is essential reading for any lover and collector of blues.”—Blues Music Magazine

“The book is a wealth of blues history that draws both from Iglauer’s encyclopedic knowledge of blues along with his vivid, personal experiences with legendary artists.”—Chicago Blues Guide

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.
Nietzsche’s Final Teaching
MICHAEL ALLEN GILLESPIE

In the seven and a half years before his collapse into madness, Nietzsche completed Thus Spoke Zarathustra, the best-selling and most widely read philosophical work of all time, as well as six additional works that are today considered required reading for Western intellectuals. Together, these works mark the final period of Nietzsche’s thought, when he developed a new, more profound, and more systematic teaching rooted in the idea of the eternal recurrence, which he considered his deepest thought.

Cutting against the grain of most current Nietzsche scholarship, Michael Allen Gillespie presents the thought of the late Nietzsche as Nietzsche himself intended, drawing not only on his published works but on the plans for the works he was unable to complete, which can be found throughout his notes and correspondence.

Through his careful analysis, Gillespie reveals a more radical and more dangerous Nietzsche than the humanistic or democratic Nietzsche we commonly think of today, but also a Nietzsche who was deeply at odds with the Nietzsche imagined to be the forefather of Fascism.


Heidegger
The Question of Being and History
JACQUES DERRIDA

Delivered over nine sessions in 1964 and 1965 at the École Normale Supérieure, these lectures offer a glimpse of the young Jacques Derrida first coming to terms with Martin Heidegger and his magnum opus, Being and Time. They provide not only crucial insight into the gestation of some of Derrida’s primary conceptual concerns—indeed, it is here that he first uses, with some hesitation, the word “deconstruction”—but an analysis of Being and Time that is of extraordinary value to readers of Heidegger or anyone interested in modern philosophy.

“For those who are prepared, this text makes for absorbing reading . . .”

Because it dates from the early years of Derrida’s career and because it is a series of classroom lectures, this book serves as a helpful preparation for reading the more intricate and playful texts that he published in the late 1960s and beyond. It also shows just how indebted Derrida is to Heidegger.”—Los Angeles Review of Books

“The publication of Derrida’s 1964–65 seminar on Martin Heidegger’s Being and Time is a philosophical event of great significance . . . This brilliantly translated seminar is required reading for students of Heidegger and Derrida . . . Summing up: Essential.”—Choice

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, most recently The Death Penalty, Volume I and II. Geoffery Bennington is the Asa G. Candler Professor of Modern French Thought at Emory University. He is the author of several books on Derrida and translator of many others by him, and he is coeditor of The Seminars of Jacques Derrida series.
What is authority? How is it constituted? How ought one understand the subtle (and sometimes not-so-subtle) relations between authority and coercion? Between authorized and subversive speech? In this fascinating and intricate analysis, Bruce Lincoln argues that authority is not an entity but an effect. More precisely, it is an effect that depends for its power on the combination of the right speaker, the right speech, the right staging and props, the right time and place, and an audience historically and culturally conditioned to judge what is right in all these instances and to respond with trust, respect, and even reverence.

Employing a vast array of examples drawn from classical antiquity, Scandinavian law, Cold War scholarship, and American presidential politics, Lincoln offers a telling analysis of the performance of authority, and subversions of it, from ancient times to the present. Using a small set of case studies that highlight critical moments in the construction of authority, he goes on to offer a general examination of “corrosive” discourses such as gossip, rumor, and curses; the problematic situation of women, who often are barred from the authorizing sphere; the role of religion in the construction of authority; the question of whether authority in the modern and postmodern world differs from its premodern counterpart; and a critique of Hannah Arendt’s claims that authority has disappeared from political life in the modern world. He does not find a diminution of authority or a fundamental change in the conditions that produce it. Rather, Lincoln finds modern authority splintered, expanded, and, in fact, multiplied as the mechanisms for its construction become more complex—and more expensive.
We’re familiar by now with Richard M. Nixon as a character in movies—from *All the President’s Men* to *Frost/Nixon*, the thirty-seventh president of the United States has long exerted a fascination for filmmakers. What’s less well known is that the fascination ran both ways: Nixon himself was an enthusiastic filmgoer, watching more than five hundred movies during his presidency.

*Nixon at the Movies* takes a new and often revelatory approach to looking at Nixon’s career—and Hollywood’s. Looking closely at the movies Nixon watched, and his responses to them, Mark Feeney finds aspects of the president’s character, and the nation’s, refracted and reimagined in film. Stylishly written and bracingly eclectic, *Nixon at the Movies* draws on biography, politics, cultural history, and film criticism to show just how deeply in the twentieth-century American grain lies the pair of seemingly incongruous nouns in its title. As Nixon once remarked to Garry Wills: “Isn’t that a hell of a thing, that the fate of a great country can depend on camera angles?”

“Feeney offers up formidably intelligent analyses of some key episodes and themes from Richard Nixon’s life. His choices are willfully idiosyncratic; he is on the lookout for topics with aura, with resonance. . . . Of all the modern presidents, Nixon is surely the most complex, the most layered, which is the reason for his enduring fascination, the reason for books like this one. . . . It could be said that he knew more, understood more, than any other recent occupant of the White House. It could also be said that he couldn’t handle what he knew. So he hid inside the most visible office in the world, torturing himself along with everyone else. And he went to the movies.”—*New York Times Book Review*

*Mark Feeney*, a writer, editor, and reviewer at *The Boston Globe* since 1979, won the 2008 Pulitzer Prize for Criticism. He has written for *The New Republic*, *The American Scholar*, and other publications. A lecturer in American Studies at Brandeis University, he has also taught at Princeton, Yale, and Brown Universities.

**The Philosophical Hitchcock**

*Vertigo* and the Anxieties of Unknowingness

**ROBERT B. PIPPIN**

On the surface, *The Philosophical Hitchcock* is a close reading of Alfred Hitchcock’s 1958 masterpiece *Vertigo*. This, however, is a book by Robert B. Pippin, one of our most penetrating and creative philosophers, and so it is also much more. Even as he provides detailed readings of each scene in the film, and its story of obsession and fantasy, Pippin reflects more broadly on the modern world depicted in Hitchcock’s films. Hitchcock’s characters, Pippin shows us, repeatedly face problems and dangers rooted in our general failure to understand others—or even ourselves—very well, or to make effective use of what little we do understand. *Vertigo*, with its impersonations, deceptions, and fantasies, embodies a common struggle for mutual understanding in the late modern social world of ever more complex dependencies.

“Pippin’s reading of considerable finesse is in the tradition of moral philosophic writing. . . . He uses *Vertigo* particularly to explore the state of ‘unknowingness’ in romantic relationships. . . . Compelling. . . . Pippin’s reading makes nearly every nuance of Hitchcock’s richest work clear, thought-provoking, and rewarding.”—Nick James, *Sight & Sound*
On his death in 2007, Richard Rorty was heralded by the New York Times as “one of the world’s most influential contemporary thinkers.” Controversial on the left and the right for his critiques of objectivity and political radicalism, Rorty experienced a renown denied to all but a handful of living philosophers. In this masterly biography, Neil Gross explores the path of Rorty’s thought over the decades in order to trace the intellectual and professional journey that led him to that prominence. As much a book about the growth of ideas as it is a biography of a philosopher, Richard Rorty will provide readers with a fresh understanding of both the man and the course of twentieth-century thought.

“Rorty granted Gross access to his papers and correspondence, and Gross uses this material very effectively. . . . This inside view of one of the most well-connected academics in the world can’t help but fascinate us.”—Notre Dame Philosophical Review

richard rorty
the making of an american philosopher
neil gross

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The Politics of Petulance
America in an Age of Immaturity
ALAN WOLFE

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 who 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. 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. Wolfe mounts a powerful case that we can learn from them to forge a new path for political intervention today.

“The Politics of Petulance joins an impressive array of books and essays that may, someday, have a future intellectual historian using them as examples to lament the fact that his or her contemporaries are not as eloquent or important as the group that arose in the Trump era to combat the threats to our way of life.”—Norm Ornstein, New York Times Book Review

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DOUGLAS A. IRWIN

PAUL CHENEY

Douglas A. Irwin’s *Clashing over Commerce* is the most authoritative and comprehensive history of US trade policy ever written, offering a clear picture of the various economic and political forces that have shaped it. Deeply researched and rich with insight and detail, *Clashing over Commerce* provides valuable and enduring insights into US trade policy past and present.

“The strength of Cheney’s book lies in its in-depth insight into the affairs of the Saint-Domingue plantation aristocracy and their associates. The reader gets tantalizing glimpses of the lives and voices of the enslaved Africans whose labor underpinned the whole fragile edifice.”—*American Historical Review*

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Paul Cheney is professor of history at the University of Chicago. He is the author of *Revolutionary Commerce: Globalization and the French Monarchy*.

In the eighteenth century, the Cul de Sac plain in Saint-Domingue, now Haiti, was a vast open-air workhouse of sugar plantations. This microhistory of one plantation owned by the Ferron de la Ferronnayses, a family of Breton nobles, draws on remarkable archival finds to show that despite the wealth such plantations produced, they operated in a context of social, political, and environmental fragility that left them weak and crisis prone. In recovering the lost world of the French Antillean plantation, *Cul de Sac* ultimately reveals how the capitalism of the plantation complex persisted not as a dynamic source of progress, but from the inertia of a degenerate system headed down an economic and ideological dead end.

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Maurice Samuels

Maurice Samuels is the Betty Jane Anlyan Professor of French and director of the Yale Program for the Study of Antisemitism at Yale University. He is the author of The Spectacular Past: Popular History and the Novel in Nineteenth-Century France and Inventing the Israelite: Jewish Fiction in Nineteenth-Century France.

Universal equality is a treasured political concept in France, but recent anxiety over the country’s Muslim minority has led to an emphasis on a new form of universalism, one promoting loyalty to the nation at the expense of all ethnic and religious affiliations. This timely book offers a fresh perspective on the debate by showing that French equality has not always demanded an erasure of differences. Through close and contextualized readings of the way that major novelists, philosophers, filmmakers, and political figures have struggled with the question of integrating Jews into French society, Maurice Samuels draws lessons about how the French have often understood the universal in relation to the particular. By recovering the forgotten history of a more open, pluralistic form of French universalism, Samuels points toward new ways of moving beyond current ethnic and religious dilemmas and argues for a more inclusive view of what constitutes political discourse in France.

“This book’s most valuable contribution is its inclusion of moments of both failure and success in France’s universalist history and its focus on both high and ‘popular’ culture, reminding the reader that ideologies permeate every aspect of society.”—French Review

The Right to Difference

French Universalism and the Jews

MAURICE SAMUELS

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Beyond the Laboratory

Scientists as Political Activists in 1930s America

PETER J. KUZNICK

The debate over scientists’ social responsibility is a topic of great controversy today. In Beyond the Laboratory, Peter J. Kuznick traces the origin of that debate to the 1930s and places it in a context that forces a reevaluation of the relationship between science and politics in contemporary America. Kuznick reveals how an influential segment of the American scientific community during the Depression era underwent a profound transformation in its social values and political beliefs, replacing a once-pervasive conservatism and antipathy to political involvement with a new ethic of social reform.

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The Selfish Ape
Human Nature and Our Path to Extinction

Waving together stories of science and sociology, *The Selfish Ape* offers a refreshing response to common fantasies about the ascent of humanity. Rather than imagining modern humans as a species with godlike powers, or *Homo deus*, Nicholas P. Money recasts us as *Homo narcissus*—paragons of self-absorption. This exhilarating story offers an immense sweep of modern biology, leading readers from earth’s unexceptional location in the cosmos to the story of our microbial origins and the inner workings of the human body. It explores human genetics, reproduction, brain function, and aging, creating an enlightened view of man as a brilliantly inventive, yet self-destructive animal.

*The Selfish Ape* is a book about human biology, the intertwined characteristics of our greatness and failure, and the way that we have plundered the biosphere. Written in a highly accessible style, it is a perfect read for those interested in science, human history, sociology, and the environment.

Nicholas P. Money is professor of biology and the Western Program Director at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. He is the author of many books on science including *Mushrooms: A Natural and Cultural History*, also published by Reaktion Books, *The Amoeba in the Room*, and *The Rise of Yeast: How the Sugar Fungus Shaped Civilization*. 

“This entrancing and sobering collection of thoughts is a worthy successor to *The Amoeba in the Room*, which opened our eyes to so much.”

—Robin Hanbury-Tenison, explorer
Show People

A History of the Film Star

Show People offers a comprehensive history of the idea of the film star from Mary Pickford to Andy Serkis, traversing more than one hundred years and drawing on examples from America, Britain, Europe, and Asia. Renowned film writer Michael Newton explores our enduring love affair with fame, glamour, and the cinematic image. Newton builds up an expansive picture of movie stardom through explorations of striking and diverse figures such as Ingrid Bergman and John Wayne, Anna Karina and Sidney Poitier, Maggie Cheung and Raj Kapoor. He celebrates the great performers of the past, and he looks forward to developments in the future, while also illuminating the inner workings of the movie industry and what moves us in a film and in an actor’s performance.

An encyclopedic, illustrated history of film idols ready for their close-ups, Show People is ultimately a book about cinemaphilia, the love of cinema, and our complex connection to that celebrated and beleaguered figure, the movie star.

Michael Newton teaches literature and film at Leiden University. He is the author of popular books on film and cultural history, including Savage Girls and Wild Boys: A History of Feral Children and Age of Assassins, and two BFI Film Classics volumes, Kind Hearts and Coronets and Rosemary’s Baby.
From the Zoroastrian sculpture of a two-hundred-pound mastiff to the portrait of a coiffured lap dog, *Dogs in Art* presents humanity’s best friend like never before. Through a wide range of genres, fashions, and cultures—from Roman mosaics to pop art, video, impressionism, and photography—this book brings together one hundred and fifty breathtaking canine images to tell the story of dogs in art from ancient times to the present. Susie Green considers the artists’ often very personal motives behind their works, the vastly different cultural raison d’êtres, and the reasons why these sentient, emotional beings are loved and trusted by hundreds of millions of people—including artists like Hogarth, William Wegman, and Lucien Freud.

The perfect gift for the many dog lovers around the world, this beautifully illustrated book offers a dynamic new perspective on our relationship with this much cherished animal.

Susie Green has studied animals in art extensively and written numerous books on human interaction with animals, including *Bird Messages*, *Animal Messages*, *Tiger*, also published by Reaktion Books, and *Talk to Your Dog*. She lives in Tunbridge Wells, Kent, UK.
How do animals perceive the world? What does it really feel like to be a cat or a dog? In *Understanding Animals*, Lars Svendsen investigates how humans can attempt to understand the lives of other animals. The book delves into animal communication, intelligence, self-awareness, loneliness, and grief, but most fundamentally how humans and animals can cohabit and build a form of friendship. Svendsen provides examples from many different animal species—from chimpanzees to octopus—but his main focus is on cats and dogs: the animals that many of us are closest to in our daily lives.

Drawing upon both philosophical analysis and the latest scientific discoveries, Svendsen argues that the knowledge we glean from our relationships with our pets is as valid and insightful as any scientific study of human and animal relations. With this entertaining and thought-provoking book, animal lovers and pet owners will gain a deeper understanding of what it is like to be an animal—and in turn, a human.

*Lars Svendsen* is professor in the Department of Philosophy at the University of Bergen, Norway. He is the author of many books, including *A Philosophy of Boredom, Fashion: A Philosophy, A Philosophy of Fear, A Philosophy of Freedom*, and *A Philosophy of Loneliness*, all also published by Reaktion Books.
Witness the French anthropologist as we have never seen him before. Marc Augé coined the term “non-place” to describe the ubiquitous airports, hotels, and motorways filled with anonymous individuals. In this new book, he casts his anthropologist’s eye on a subject close to his heart: cycling. With In Praise of the Bicycle, Augé takes us on a two-wheeled ride around our cities and on a personal journey into ourselves. We all remember the thrill of riding a bike for the first time and the joys of cycling. Here he reminds us that these memories are not just personal, but rooted in a time and a place, in a history that is shared with millions of others.

Part memoir, part manifesto, Augé’s book celebrates cycling as a way of reconnecting with the places in which we live, and, ultimately, as a necessary alternative to our disconnected world.

Marc Augé is an anthropologist and the former director of studies at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales in Paris. His many books include Non-Places: Introduction to an Anthropology of Supermodernity and The Future. He lives in Paris. Teresa Lavender Fagan is a freelance translator living in Chicago.
The hat is one of our most beloved pieces of clothing, appearing in virtually every society. Through the centuries, hats have represented the most important structures of culture: governance (the crown), religion (the turban), tradition (the bonnet), and much more. Yet hats have also always allowed for the very personal expression of style and feeling.

In this exquisitely illustrated celebration of the hat, Drake Stutesman uncovers the influence on our lives of this versatile headgear. Beginning in the Ice Age, the story of the hat is traced through its links with the origins of abstract thinking, through the complex evolution of the professions of millinery and hatting starting in the Middle Ages, through the rise of the superstar milliner in the twentieth century, and, finally, through the work of the ingenious hat makers of today who continue to dazzle us with their creations. For all those interested in the history of fashion and the history of culture—and couture—Hat offers new perspectives on this stylish, practical, and important accessory.

Drake Stutesman is adjunct professor at New York University. She is the editor of the cinema and media journal Framework, the author of Snake, also published by Reaktion Books, and coeditor of Film, Fashion and the 1960s.
Licentious Worlds
Sex and Exploitation in Global Empires

Licentious Worlds is a history of sexual attitudes and behavior through five hundred years of empire-building around the world. In a graphic and sometimes unsettling account, Julie Peakman examines colonization and the imperial experience of women (as well as marginalized men), showing how women were not only involved in the building of empires, but how they were also almost invariably exploited. Women acted as negotiators, brothel keepers, traders, and peace keepers—but they were also forced into marriages and raped.

The book describes women in Turkish harems, Mughal zenanas, and Japanese geisha houses, as well as in royal palaces and private households and onboard ships. Their stories are drawn from many sources—from captains’ logs, missionary reports, and cannibals’ memoirs to travelers’ letters, traders’ accounts, and reports on prostitutes. From debauched clerics and hog-buggering Pilgrims to sexually-confused cannibals and sodomizing samurai, Licentious Worlds takes history into its darkest corners.

Today, many fortified wines are flourishing again, revived by discerning drinkers and modern mixologists all over the world. Once popularly savored before or after dinner, fortified wines—vermouth, sherry, port, madeira, and the like—had fallen out of favor until recent times. But now, in pubs and wine bars, high-end restaurants and homes, these wines are finding their way into innovative cocktails, and they are being appreciated anew for their fine qualities and strong, complex tastes.

*Strong, Sweet and Dry* is the ultimate guide to these freshly rediscovered palate pleasers. In lively style, Becky Sue Epstein explores the latest fortified wine innovations and trends, along with their colorful history, including the merchants, warriors, and kings who helped bring these beverages into being. Featuring a plethora of enticing images, along with anecdotes, facts, and recipes, this is a superb tour through the long history of fortified wines and their global resurgence today.

**Becky Sue Epstein** is a writer and journalist in the fields of wine, spirits, food, and travel. Her books include *Champagne: A Global History* and *Brandy: A Global History*, both also published by Reaktion Books. She lives in Massachusetts.
Spanish cuisine is a melting-pot of cultures, flavors, and ingredients: Greek and Roman; Jewish, Moorish, and Middle Eastern. It has been enriched by Spanish climate, geology, and spectacular topography, which have encouraged a variety of regional food traditions and “Cocinas,” such as Basque, Galician, Castilian, Andalusian, and Catalan. It has been shaped by the country’s complex history, as foreign occupations brought religious and cultural influences that determined what people ate and still eat. And it has continually evolved with the arrival of new ideas and foodstuffs from Italy, France, and the Americas, including cocoa, potatoes, tomatoes, beans, and chili peppers. Having become a powerhouse of creativity and innovation in recent decades, Spanish cuisine has placed itself among the best in the world.

This is the first book in English to trace the history of the food of Spain from antiquity to the present day. From the use of pork fat and olive oil to the Spanish passion for eggplants and pomegranates, María José Sevilla skillfully weaves together the history of Spanish cuisine, the circumstances affecting its development and characteristics, and the country’s changing relationship to food and cookery.

María José Sevilla is the author of Life and Food in the Basque Country, Spain on a Plate, and Mediterranean Flavours, among other books. She lives in London.
Mulberry
PETER COLES

Since antiquity, few trees have had a greater impact on the world’s cultures and economies than the mulberry. The sole food of the silkworm, the leaves of the mulberry brought prosperity not only to ancient China, but to all nations that learned the art of silk production. Mulberry bark was used to make the first paper, and the succulent, blood-red fruit of the black mulberry has inspired poets from Ovid to Shakespeare. The medicinal properties of all parts of the tree have been known for millennia, making it a tree of choice for medieval monasteries gardens, while its anti-diabetic effects are opening exciting avenues of research today.

This sumptuously illustrated book tells the remarkable story of the mulberry tree and its migrations from China and Central Asia to almost every continent of the globe. It will appeal to all who wish to know more of the rich—and often juicy—history of this emblematic tree.

Peter Coles is a visiting fellow at the Centre for Urban and Community Research, Goldsmiths, University of London, as well as a freelance science writer, fine art photographer, and translator.

Mustard
A Global History
DEMET GÜZEY

Whether grainy or smooth, spicy or sweet, Dijon, American, or English, mustard accompanies our food and flavors our life around the globe. It has been a source of pleasure, health, and myth from ancient times to the present day, its tiny seed a symbol of faith and its pungent flavor a testimony to refined taste. There are stories of mustard plasters used to treat melancholy, runners eating mustard to prevent cramps, and Christians spreading mustard seeds along pilgrimage trails.

In this delightful global history of all things Grey Poupon and gleaming yellow, Demet Güzey takes readers on a tour of the ubiquitous mustard, exploring its origins, its use in medicine and in the kitchen, its place in literature, language, and religion, and its strong symbolism of sharpness, perseverance, and strength. Packed with entertaining mustard facts and illustrations as well as a selection of historic and modern recipes, this surprising history of one of the world’s most loved condiments will appeal to all food history aficionados.

Demet Güzey is a food and wine writer and educator based in Verona, Italy. She is the author of Food on Foot: A History of Eating on Trails and in the Wild.
Polari is a language that was used chiefly by gay men in the first half of the twentieth century. At a time when being gay could result in criminal prosecution—or worse—Polari offered its speakers a degree of public camouflage, a way of expressing humor, and a means of identification and of establishing a community. Its roots are colorful and varied—from thieves’ Cant to Lingua Franca and prostitutes’ slang—and in the mid-1960s it was thrust into the limelight by the characters Julian and Sandy, voiced by Hugh Paddick and Kenneth Williams, on the BBC radio show *Round the Horne*: “Oh Mr. Horne, how bona to vada your dolly old eke!”

In *Fabulosa!* Paul Baker recounts the story of Polari with skill, erudition, and tenderness. He traces its historical origins and describes its linguistic nuts and bolts, exploring the ways and the environments in which it was spoken, the reasons for its decline, and its unlikely re-emergence in the twenty-first century. With a cast of drag queens and sailors, Dilly boys and macho clones, *Fabulosa!* is an essential document of recent history and a fascinating and fantastically readable account of this funny, filthy, and ingenious language.

Paul Baker is professor of English language at Lancaster University. He has written sixteen books, including *American and British English* and, with Jo Stanley, *Hello Sailor!* He regularly gives talks and workshops about Polari and is a fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.
LAURA MULVEY

Afterimages
On Cinema, Women and Changing Times

This book marks a return for Laura Mulvey to questions of film theory and feminism, as well as a reconsideration of new and old film technologies. Its title, Afterimages, alludes to the dislocation of time that runs through many of the films and works Mulvey interrogates and influences the way we view them. Structured in three main parts, the book begins with a section on the theme of woman as spectacle and continues with a focus on films drawn from different parts of the world but directed by women and about women, and all adopting radical cinematic strategies. She concludes with analyses of moving image works made for art galleries, arguing that the aesthetics of cinema have persisted into this environment. Afterimages also features an appendix of ten frequently asked questions on Mulvey’s classic feminist essay “Visual Pleasure and Narrative Cinema,” in which Mulvey addresses questions of spectatorship crucial to our era of #MeToo. This is an urgent and compelling book for anyone interested in the power and pleasures of moving images.

Laura Mulvey is professor of film and media studies at Birkbeck College, University of London, and the author of Visual and Other Pleasures, Citizen Kane, Fetishism and Curiosity, and Death 24x a Second: Stillness and the Moving Image, the last also published by Reaktion Books.

Praise for Death 24x a Second

“Whispers rather than shouts, gently leading readers through a series of reflections . . . . Mulvey . . . continues to provoke new ways of seeing—or reseeing—the cinema we think we know.”

—Film Comment

“Rethinks the fundamentals of film history.”

—Independent on Sunday

“Elegiac. . . . A wonderful close analysis.”

—Times Higher Education
Second Sight
The Selected Film Writing of Adam Mars-Jones

The film review can be a little work of art, not just a consumer guide—as is manifest in this collection by one of the United Kingdom’s foremost doyennes of the contemporary silver screen. Covering more than thirty years of film releases, celebrated critic Adam Mars-Jones guides us through the most entertaining, most appalling, and most fantastic films of his viewing lifetime, interweaving his original film reviews with new insights and reflections.

Mars-Jones answers the questions that no other critic has even bothered to ask. What is *Twister* really about? How many Steven Spielbergs are there? (Spoiler: he counts thirteen). How many of them are worth anything? Who had the greatest slow-burn career in the movies? (Clue: he taught Montgomery Clift how to roll a cigarette.) And which science-fiction film features the most haunting use of slime? Funny, combative, and revealing, *Second Sight* is a celebration of the artform that maintains the strongest hold on the modern imagination.

Adam Mars-Jones is research professor in creative writing at Goldsmiths, University of London. He was the first film reviewer for the *Independent* and currently writes on film for the *Times Literary Supplement*. His books include the novels *Pilcrow* and *Cedilla* as well as the memoir *Kid Gloves*. 
Goldfish
ANNA MARIE ROOS

Living work of art, consumer commodity, scientific hero, and environmental menace: the humble goldfish is the ultimate human cultural artifact. A creature of supposedly little memory and a short lifespan, it has held universal appeal as a reservoir for human ideas and ideals. In ancient China, goldfish were saved from predators in acts of religious reverence and selectively bred for their glittering grace. In the East, they became the subject of exquisite art, regarded as living flowers that moved, while in the West, they became ubiquitous residents of the Victorian parlor. Cheap and eminently available, today they are bred by the millions for the growing domestic pet market, while also proving to be important to laboratory studies of perception, vision, and intelligence.

In this illuminating homage to the goldfish, Anna Marie Roos blends art and science to trace the surprising and intriguing history of this much-loved animal, challenging our cultural preconceptions of a creature often thought to be common and disposable.

Anna Marie Roos is professor of the history of science and medicine at the University of Lincoln. She is the author, most recently, of Martin Lister and his Remarkable Daughters: The Art of Science in the Seventeenth Century.

Polar Bear
MARGERY FEE

Polar bears are truly majestic animals: the largest land-dwelling carnivore on earth, these white-furred, black-skinned giants can measure up to three meters in length and weigh up to fifteen hundred pounds. They are also iconic in other ways. They are a symbol of the climate change debate, with their survival now threatened by the loss of Arctic ice, and their images decorate fountains and the cornices of buildings across the world. They sell cold drinks. They feature in children’s books, on merry-go-rounds, and under the arms of weary toddlers heading for bed.

Their pelts were once highly prized by hunters, and live captures became attractions in zoos and circuses. Stuffed bears still haunt museums and stately homes.

In this natural and cultural history of the polar bear, Margery Fee explores the evolution, species, habitat, and behavior of the animal, as well as its portrayal in art, literature, film, and advertising. Illustrated throughout, Polar Bear will beguile anyone who loves these outsize, beautiful, seemingly cuddly, yet deadly carnivores.

Margery Fee is professor emerita of English at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, Canada. She is the author, most recently, of Literary Land Claims: The “Indian Land Question” from Pontiac’s War to Attawapiskat.
Kingfishers are a stunning sight to behold. The dash and verve of these cosmopolitan birds has been admired for millennia, appearing in creation myths, imperial regalia, and cultural iconography, and they were once valued as highly as gold. Artists used their iridescent feathers in Tian-tsui, an iconic style of Chinese fine art, for more than 2,400 years. The magnificent temples at Angkor Wat in Cambodia owe their existence in part to the great wealth generated by the live kingfisher trade from the Indochina Peninsula. As well, as a muse, kingfishers have influenced philosophers, playwrights, and artists, from the Roman poet Ovid to Carl Jung, Charles Darwin, and others, while more recently, biomimicry engineers have turned to kingfishers for inspiration.

This lavishly illustrated book delves into the origins and diversity of the more than 120 species of kingfishers, from the burly kookaburras to the diminutive birds that daringly pluck spiders off webs, defining their characteristics, their differences, their lifestyles, and their cultural significance around the world.

Kingfisher
ILDIKO SZABO

Our fear and fascination with wasps set them apart from other insects. Despite their iconic form and distinctive colors, they are surrounded by myth and misunderstanding. Often portrayed in cartoon-like stereotypes bordering on sad parody, wasps have an unwelcome and undeserved reputation for aggressiveness bordering on vindictive spite. This mistrust is deep-seated in a human history that has awarded commercial and spiritual value to other insects, such as bees, but has failed to recognize any worth in wasps.

Leading entomologist Richard Jones redresses the balance in this enlightening and entertaining guide to the natural and cultural history of these powerful arthropod carnivores. Jones delves into their complex nesting and colony behavior, their fascinating caste system, and their major role at the center of many food webs. Drawing on up-to-date scientific concepts and featuring many striking color illustrations, Jones pushes past the sting, showing exactly why wasps are worthy of greater understanding and appreciation.

Wasp
RICHARD JONES

Richard Jones is one of the United Kingdom’s leading entomologists. He is the author of numerous books on nature including Mosquito, also published by Reaktion Books, Extreme Insects, Call of Nature: The Secret Life of Dung, and Beetles in the New Naturalists series. He lives in East Dulwich, London.

Kingfisher
ILDIKO SZABO

Ildiko Szabo is collections curator of the Cowan Tetrapod Collection at the University of British Columbia Beaty Biodiversity Museum in Vancouver, Canada. She is coauthor of British Columbia Pelagic Marine Copepoda: An Identification Manual and Annotated Bibliography.
Dmitry Shostakovich

PAULINE FAIRCLOUGH

Dmitry Shostakovich was one of the most successful composers of the twentieth century—a musician who adapted as no other to the unique pressures of his age. By turns vilified and feted by Stalin during the Great Purge, Shostakovich twice came close to succumbing to the whirlwind of political repression of his times and remained under political surveillance all his life, despite the many privileges and awards heaped upon him in old age. Through it all, Shostakovich showed a remarkable ability to work with, rather than against, prevailing ideological demands, and it was this quality that ensured both his survival and his musical posterity.

Pauline Fairclough’s absorbing new biography offers a vivid portrait of Shostakovich. Featuring quotations from previously unpublished letters as well as rarely seen photographs, Fairclough’s book provides fresh insight into the music and life of a composer whose legacy, above all, was to have written some of the greatest and most cherished music of the last century.

Pauline Fairclough is professor of music at the University of Bristol and the author, most recently, of Classics for the Masses: Shaping Soviet Musical Identity Under Lenin and Stalin.

Rabindranath Tagore

BASHABI FRASER

Polymath Rabindranath Tagore was the first non-European to be awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1913. But Tagore was much more than a writer. Through his poems, novels, short stories, poetic songs, dance-dramas, and paintings, he transformed Bengali literature and Indian art. He was instrumental in bringing Indian culture to the West and vice versa, and he strove to create a less divided society through mutual respect and understanding, following the example of his great contemporary and close friend, Mahatma Gandhi.

In this timely reappraisal of Tagore’s life and work, Bashabi Fraser assesses Tagore’s many activities and shows how he embodies the modern consciousness of India. She examines his upbringing in Bengal, his role in Indian politics, and his interests in international relationships. Taking a holistic perspective, she also addresses some of the misreadings of his extraordinary life and work.

Bashabi Fraser is cofounder and the director of the Scottish Centre of Tagore Studies at Edinburgh Napier University. Most recently, she is coeditor of Scottish Orientalism and the Bengal Renaissance: The Continuum of Ideas.
This is a book about the life and work of a singular writer, an author well-known for his biographies and travel writing but most famous for his novels *The Red and the Black* and *The Charterhouse of Parma*. As a child, Stendhal witnessed the unfolding of the French Revolution; as a young man, he served Napoleon first as a soldier and then as an administrator; and as a middle-aged man, he made it his task not to pursue his career, but instead to take as much paid leave as possible in order to be free and to be happy—and to write. Stendhal’s works often take the form of conversations with his readers—the “Happy Few” as he called them—about the things that matter most. He once claimed that he spent the majority of his life “carefully considering five or six main ideas.” This book makes clear what those main ideas were, why they mattered to Stendhal, and why they continue to matter to all of us.

Francesco Manzini is a research fellow and tutor in French at Oriel College, University of Oxford. He is the author of *Stendhal’s Parallel Lives* and *The Fevered Novel from Balzac to Bernanos.*
Donatello and the Dawn of Renaissance Art
A. VICTOR COONIN

The Italian sculptor known as Donatello helped to forge a new kind of art—one that came to define the Renaissance. His work was progressive, challenging, and even controversial. Using a variety of novel sculptural techniques and innovative interpretations, Donatello uniquely depicted themes involving human sexuality, violence, spirituality, and beauty. But to really understand Donatello, one needs to understand his changing world, marked by the transition from Medieval to Renaissance style and to an art that was more personal and representative of the modern self. Donatello was not just a man of his times, he helped shape the spirit of the times he lived in and profoundly influenced those that came after.

In this beautifully illustrated book—the first thorough biography of Donatello in twenty-five years—A. Victor Coonin describes the full extent of Donatello’s revolutionary contributions, revealing how his work heralded the emergence of modern art.

A. Victor Coonin is the author of From Marble to Flesh: The Biography of Michelangelo’s David, among other notable works in art history. He is the James F. Ruffin Professor of Art History at Rhodes College and lives in Memphis, Tennessee.

Paracelsus
An Alchemical Life
BRUCE T. MORAN

Throughout his controversial life, the alchemist, physician, and social-religious radical known as Paracelsus combined traditions that were magical and empirical, scholarly and folk, learned and artisanal. He read ancient texts and then burned “the best” of them. He endorsed both Catholic and Reformation beliefs, but he also believed devoutly in a female deity. He traveled constantly, learning and teaching a new form of medicine based on the experience of miners, bathers, alchemists, midwives, and barber-surgeons. He argued for changes in the way the body was understood, how disease was defined, and how treatments were created, but he was also moved by mystical speculations, an alchemical view of nature, and an intriguing concept of creation.

Bringing to light the ideas, diverse works, and major texts of this important Renaissance figure, Bruce T. Moran tells the story of how alchemy re-fashioned medical practice, showing how Paracelsus’s tenacity and endurance changed the medical world for the better and brought new perspectives to the study of nature.

Bruce T. Moran is professor of history at the University of Nevada, Reno. He is the author of Distilling Knowledge: Alchemy, Chemistry and the Scientific Revolution and Andreas Libavius and the Transformation of Alchemy. He is also the editor of Ambix: The Journal of the Society for the History of Alchemy and Chemistry.
Raphael and the Antique
CLAUDIA LA MALFA

The Renaissance artist Raphael is known for his extraordinary frescoes, his sublime Madonnas, devotional altarpieces, architectural designs, and his inventive designs for prints and tapestries. It was his use of ancient Roman art—the sculptures, the marble reliefs, the wall-paintings, and the stuccoes—and architecture—the temples, the palaces, and the theaters—as well as the churches and mosaics of early-Christian Rome, that formed his much-admired classical style.

In Raphael and the Antique, Claudia La Malfa gives a full account of Raphael’s prodigious career, from central Italy when he was seventeen years old, to Perugia, Siena, and Florence, where he first met with Leonardo and Michelangelo, to Rome where he became one of the most feted artists of the Renaissance. This book brings to light Raphael’s reinvention of classical models, his draftsmanship, and his concept of art—ideas he pursued and was still striving to perfect at the time of his death in 1520 at the young age of thirty-seven.

Claudia La Malfa teaches history of art at Loyola University Chicago in Rome and is a visiting lecturer at the University of Kent.

The Braganzas
The Rise and Fall of the Ruling Dynasties of Portugal and Brazil, 1640–1910
MALYN NEWITT

For two hundred and seventy years, the House of Braganza provided the kings and queens of Portugal. During a period of momentous change, from 1640 to 1910, this influential family helped to establish Portuguese independence from their powerful Spanish neighbors and saved the monarchy and government from total destruction by the marauding armies of Napoleon. The Braganzas also ruled the vast empire of Brazil from 1822 to 1889, successfully creating a unified nation and preventing the country from splitting into small warring states.

In his fascinating reappraisal of the Braganza dynasty, Malyn Newitt traces the rise and fall of one of the world’s most important royal families. He introduces us to a colorful cast of innovators, revolutionaries, villains, heroes, and charlatans, from the absolutist Dom Miguel to the “Soldier King” Dom Pedro I, and recounts in vivid detail the major social, economic, and political events that defined their rule. Featuring an extensive selection of artworks and photographs, Newitt’s book offers a timely look at Britain’s “oldest ally” and the role of monarchy in the early modern European world.

Saturn
WILLIAM SHEEHAN

Saturn is the showpiece planet of our solar system. It may not be the largest, nor the smallest, nor even the only planet with rings. But it is among the most stunning objects in the sky and is always breathtaking when seen in a telescope.

This is a beautifully illustrated, authoritative overview of the entire history of humankind’s fascination with the ringed planet, from the first low-resolution views by Galileo, Huygens, and other early observers with telescopes to the most recent discoveries by the spacecraft Cassini, which studied the planet at close range between 2004 and 2017. Saturn describes the planet from inside out, detailing the complicated system of rings and their interaction with Saturn’s bevvy of satellites, and it considers how Saturn formed and the role it played in the early history of the solar system. Featuring the latest research and a spectacular array of images, this book will appeal to anyone who has ever gazed with wonder upon the sixth planet from the sun.

William Sheehan is a historian of astronomy, writer, and amateur astronomer based in Flagstaff, Arizona. Most recently, he is coauthor of Jupiter and the author of Mercury, both also published by Reaktion Books in the Kosmos Series.

Glacier
Nature and Culture
PETER G. KNIGHT

As major actors in the unfolding drama of climate change, glaciers feature prominently in Earth’s past and its future. Wherever on the planet we live, glaciers affect each of us directly. They control the atmospheric and ocean circulations that drive the weather; they supply drinking and irrigation water to millions of people; and they protect us from catastrophic sea-level rise. The very existence of glaciers affects our view of the planet and of ourselves, but it is less than two hundred years since we first realized that ice ages come and go and that glaciers once covered much more of the planet’s surface than they do now.

An inspiration to artists and a challenge for engineers, glaciers mean different things to different people. Crossing the boundaries between art, environment, science, nature, and culture, this book considers glaciers from myriad perspectives, revealing their complexity, majesty, and importance—but also their fragility.

Peter G. Knight is a reader in geography at Keele University. His books include Glaciers and Glacier Science and Environmental Change. He lives in Whitchurch, UK.
Australia
Modern Architectures in History
HARRY MARGALIT

This book tells the story of the architects and buildings that have defined Australia’s architectural culture since the founding of the modern nation through Federation in 1901. That year marked the beginning of a search for better city forms and buildings to accommodate the changing realities of Australian life and to express an emerging, distinctive, and, eventually, confident Australian identity. While Sydney and Melbourne were the settings for many of the major buildings, all states and territories developed architectural traditions based on distinctive histories and climates. Harry Margalit explores the flowering of these many architectural variants, from the bid to create a model city in Canberra, through the stylistic battles that opened a space for modernism, to the idealism of postwar reconstruction, and beyond to the new millennium. Australia reveals a vibrant and influential culture of the built environment, at its best when it matches civic idealism with the sensuality of a country of stunning light and landscapes.

Harry Margalit is associate professor at the University of New South Wales in Sydney. He is the author of Energy, Cities and Sustainability: An Historical Approach.

Photography and War
PIPPA OLDFIELD

There are countless books on war photography, most of them focusing on dramatic images made by photojournalists in combat zones. Photography and War instead proposes a radically expanded notion of war photography, one that encompasses a far broader terrain of geographies, chronologies, practices, and viewpoints. Pippa Oldfield considers photography’s fundamental role in military reconnaissance, propaganda, and protest, as well as the exposure of war crimes and the memorialization of war, among other themes. While iconic images by well-known names such as Roger Fenton and Robert Capa are included, the viewpoints of people who have historically been overlooked—women and photographers from diasporic and non-Western backgrounds—are significantly gathered here. As a result, this book offers a nuanced and more inclusive understanding of war as a far-reaching undertaking in which anyone might be implicated and affected.

Richly illustrated, with some photos published for the first time, Photography and War offers an accessible and well-rounded introduction to photography’s perhaps most contested, complex, and emotive subject.

Pippa Oldfield is a historian and photography curator who has worked on many exhibitions on the theme of photography and war. She is head of programs at Impressions Gallery in Bradford, UK, an honorary research fellow at Durham University, and a visiting research fellow at the University of Leeds.
When is a work of art finished? Can it be complete in a mental sense? Who decides? And can we tell which work is an artist’s last? In this highly original and wide-ranging study, Carel Blotkamp explores the concept and manifestations of “the end” in art.

From the idea of a mortal end to the notion of completeness, Blotkamp describes a fascinating array of historical facts and myths as well as novels centered on art and artists. He examines the value of the last works of artists, considering how a particular end came about and how that might affect our perception of the work. He also explores the difference in the styles of artists in old age, compares unfinished last works with those completed by another’s hand, and uncovers the mythology inherent in the reception of last works, taking the last works of Raphael and Mondrian as prime examples. For students, artists, and art enthusiasts looking for a new perspective on modern art, The End is the perfect place to start.

Carel Blotkamp is professor emeritus of the history of modern art at Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, and a well-known authority on Mondrian and De Stijl. He is the author of Mondrian: The Art of Destruction, also published by Reaktion Books.

Poussin as a Painter
From Classicism to Abstraction
RICHARD VERDI

Universally regarded as the father of French painting, Nicolas Poussin is arguably the greatest of all painters of the French school. Yet Poussin’s reputation has been founded more on the intellectual and philosophical qualities of his art than its sheer visual beauty.

In Poussin as a Painter: From Classicism to Abstraction, Richard Verdi redresses the balance, describing and analyzing Poussin’s outstanding gifts as a pictorial storyteller, designer, and colorist—in short, the purely aesthetic (and often abstract) aspects of his art that have inspired so many later painters, from Turner to Cézanne to Picasso. The book features more than two hundred illustrations, the majority in color, and encompasses all aspects of Poussin’s art from the mid-1620s to his death in 1665. This groundbreaking study will shed new light on this significant French painter.

Richard Verdi is former professor of fine art and director of the Barber Institute of Fine Arts at the University of Birmingham, UK. His many books include Nicolas Poussin 1594–1665, The Parrot in Art: From Durer to Elizabeth Butterworth, and Rembrandt’s Themes: Life into Art.
If weddings are the most lavish events in many parts of the world, in Sub-Saharan Africa, by contrast, it is funerals. Funeral celebrations can be flamboyant occasions, particularly those honoring prominent people. Artworks of many kinds are created to commemorate the dead from mortuary sculptures and extravagant coffins to elaborate headstones, memorials, monuments, and cenotaphs.

This book is a unique survey of the artful nature of funerals in Africa.

**The Artfulness of Death in Africa**

**JOHN MACK**

Drawing on a wide range of historical, anthropological, archaeological, art historical, and literary sources, John Mack charts the full range of African funereal art, highlighting examples from across the continent and from ancient times to today. Featuring abundant illustrations—some of which have never been published before—*The Artfulness of Death in Africa* is essential reading for those interested in African art, culture, society, and history.

**John Mack** is professor of world art studies in the Sainsbury Research Unit at the University of East Anglia. His many books include *The Museum of the Mind: Art and Memory in World Cultures*, *The Art of Small Things*, and *The Sea: A Cultural History*, the last also published by Reaktion Books.
Trick or Treat
A History of Halloween

New Edition

Halloween has spread around the world, yet its associations with death and the supernatural as well as its inevitable commercialization have made it one of our most puzzling holidays. How did it become what it is today? Trick or Treat is the first book both to examine the origins and history of Halloween and to explore in depth its current global popularity. Festivals like the Celtic Samhain and Catholic All Souls’ Day have blended to produce the modern Halloween, which has been reborn with new customs in America—but there are also related but independent holidays, especially Mexico’s Day of the Dead. Lisa Morton lifts the cobwebs off everything from the explosion in popularity of haunted attractions to the impact of events like the global economic recession, as well as the effect Halloween has had on popular culture through literary works, films, and television series.

Taking us on a journey from the spectacular to the macabre, this book is a treat for anyone who wants to peep behind the mask to see the real past and present of this ever more popular holiday.

Lisa Morton is an award-winning author and widely acknowledged as one of the world’s leading authorities on Halloween. Her books include Ghosts: A Haunted History, also published by Reaktion Books, A Halloween Anthology: Literary and Historical Writings Over the Centuries, and The Halloween Encyclopedia. She lives in Los Angeles, California.

Praise for the previous edition

“Lavishly illustrated, this solidly researched and concise work is fun to read and a great choice for readers who want to know why we seek out the scary each October.”

—Library Journal

“If you want to know anything at all about the subject, you ought to find it in Trick or Treat.”

—Times (UK)
We live in an electronic world, saturated with electronic sounds. Yet, electronic sounds aren’t a new phenomenon; they have long permeated our sonic landscape. What began as the otherworldly sounds of the film score for the 1956 film Forbidden Planet and the rarefied, new timbres of Stockhausen’s Kontakte a few years later, is now a common soundscape in technology, media, and an array of musical genres and subgenres. More people than ever before can produce and listen to electronic music, from isolated experimenters, classical and jazz musicians, to rock musicians, sound recordists, and the newer generations of electronic musicians making hip-hop, house, techno, and ambient music. Increasingly we are listening to electronic sounds, finding new meanings in them, experimenting with them, and rehearing them as listeners and makers.

*Live Wires* explores how five key electronic technologies—the tape recorder, circuit, computer, microphone, and turntable—revolutionized musical thought. Featuring the work of major figures in electronic music—including everyone from Schaeffer, Varèse, Xenakis, Babbitt, and Oliveros to Brian Eno, Keith Emerson, Grandmaster Flash, Juan Atkins, and Holly Herndon—*Live Wires* is an arresting discussion of the powerful musical ideas that are being recycled, rethought, and remixed by the most interesting electronic composers and musicians today.

**Daniel Warner** is professor of music at Hampshire College, Massachusetts. He is a composer and electronic artist whose sound and installation work has been presented at festivals around the world as well as coauthor of *Audio Culture: Readings in Modern Music*. 

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“A sonic adventure well worth reading.”
—*Leonardo*

“An invigorating and nostalgic playlist.”
—*BBC Music*

“A good nerd will have a computer close by with some search tabs open and they will hear a bunch of cool sounds made by the lesser known pioneers of the electronic, the true legends of our current musical landscape.”
—*PopMatters*
It’s a troubling phenomenon that many of us think of as a modern psychological epidemic, a symptom of extreme emotional turmoil in young people, especially young women: cutting and self-harm. But few of us know that it was 150 years ago—with the introduction of institutional asylum psychiatry—that self-mutilation was first described as a category of behavior, which psychiatrists, and later psychologists and social workers, attempted to understand. With care and focus, *Psyche on the Skin* tells the secret but necessary history of self-harm from the 1860s to the present, showing just how deeply entrenched this practice is in human culture.

Sarah Chaney looks at many different kinds of self-injurious acts, including sexual self-mutilation and hysterical malingering in the late Victorian period, self-marking religious sects, and self-mutilation and self-destruction in art, music, and popular culture. As she shows, while self-harm is a widespread phenomenon found in many different contexts, it doesn’t necessarily have any kind of universal meaning—it always has to be understood within the historical and cultural context that surrounds it. Bravely sharing her own personal experiences with self-harm and placing them within its wider history, Chaney offers a sensitive but engaging account—supported with powerful images—that challenges the misconceptions and controversies that surround this often misunderstood phenomenon. The result is crucial reading for therapists and other professionals in the field, as well as those affected by this emotive, challenging act.

**Sarah Chaney** is research associate at the University College London Health Humanities Centre and research project manager at the Queen Mary Centre for the History of Emotions, University of London.
The tale—or tail?—of the canine has been fundamentally entwined with humanity since prehistory, and this ancient and fascinating story is told in Susan McHugh’s *Dog*. This book unravels the debate about whether dogs are descended from wolves and moves on to deal with canines in mythology, religion, and health; explore dog cults in ancient and medieval civilizations as disparate as Alaska, Greece, Peru, and Persia; and trace correspondences between the histories of dogs in the Far East, Europe, Africa, and the Americas. *Dog* also examines the relatively recent phenomenon of dog husbandry and the invention of breeds, as well as the canine’s role in science fact and fiction—from Laika, the first astronaut, and Pavlov’s famous conditioned dogs, through to science fiction novels and cult films like *A Boy and His Dog*.

Showing how dogs today contribute to human lives in a huge number of ways, not only as pets and guide dogs but also as sources of food in Asia, entertainment workers, and scientific and religious objects, McHugh reveals how we have shaped these animals over the millennia, and in turn, how dogs have shaped us.

**Susan McHugh** is assistant professor of English at the University of New England in Biddeford, Maine.
In this book, astrophysicist James Geach tells the rich stories of both the evolution of galaxies and our ability to observe them, offering a fascinating history of how we’ve come to realize humanity’s tiny place in the vast universe. Taking us on a compelling tour of the state-of-the-art science involved in mapping the infinite, Geach offers a first-hand account of both the science itself and how it is done, describing what we currently know as well as that which we still do not. With more than one hundred superb color illustrations, *Galaxy* is an illuminating guide to the choreography of the cosmos and how we came to know our place within it, which will appeal to any stargazer who has wondered what was beyond their sight.

James Geach is a Royal Society University Research Fellow and reader in astrophysics at the Centre for Astrophysics Research of the University of Hertfordshire.

### Now in Paperback

**Faries**

*A Dangerous History*

**RICHARD SUGG**

From the wild magic of *A Midsummer Night’s Dream*, through the dark glamour of Keats, Christina Rosetti’s impossibly erotic poem “Goblin Market,” or the paintings inspired by opium dreams, the amoral otherness of the fairies ran side-by-side with the newly delicate or feminized creations of the Victorian world. In the past thirty years, the enduring link between fairies and nature has been robustly exploited by eco-warriors and conservationists, from Ireland to Iceland. As changeable as changelings themselves, fairies have transformed over time like no other supernatural beings. And in this book, Richard Sugg tells the story of how the fairies went from terror to Tink.

Richard Sugg is the author of eight books, including *Mummies, Cannibals and Vampires*; *A Century of Ghost Stories*; and *A Singing Mouse at Buckingham Palace*.

### A Story of Ruins

**Presence and Absence in Chinese Art and Visual Culture**

**WU HUNG**

This richly illustrated book examines the changing significance of ruins as vehicles for cultural memory in Chinese art and visual culture from ancient times to the present. Wu Hung leads us through an array of traditional and contemporary visual materials, including painting, architecture, photography, prints, and cinema. The result is an original interpretation of the development of Chinese art, as well as a unique contribution to global art history.

Wu Hung is the Harrie A. Vanderstappen Distinguished Service Professor of Art History at the University of Chicago. He is the author of many books, including, most recently, *Zooming In: Histories of Photography in China*, also published by Reaktion Books.
Maryse Condé

Of Morsels and Marvels

Translated by Richard Philcox

For many, cooking is simply the mechanical act of reproducing standard recipes. To Maryse Condé, however, cooking implies creativity and personal invention, on par with the complexity of writing a story. A cook, she explains, uses spices and flavors the same way an author chooses the music and meaning of words.

In *Of Morsels and Marvels*, Condé takes us on a literary journey around places she has traveled to in India, Indonesia, and South Africa. She highlights the tastes and culinary traditions that are fascinating examples of a living museum. Such places, Condé explains, provide important insights into lesser-known aspects of contemporary life. One anecdote illustrates what becomes of the standard Antillean dishes of fish stew and goat curry by two Antilleans who own a restaurant in Sydney, Australia. Cuisine changes not only according to the individual cook but also adapts to foreign skies under which it is created. The author also recounts personal memories of her lifelong relationship with cooking, such as when Adélia, her family’s servant, wrongly blames little Maryse for mixing raisins with fish and using her imagination in the kitchen.

Blending travel with gastronomy, this enchanting volume from the winner of the 2018 Alternative Nobel Prize will delight all who marvel at the wonders of the kitchen or seek to taste the world.

Maryse Condé is one of the French Caribbean’s most beloved voices. Her many novels and plays published in English include *Hermenakhonon, Segu, I Tituba Black Witch of Salem, Crossing the Mangrove, Windward Heights*, and *Victoire, My Mother’s Mother*. She is professor emerita of Columbia University and divides her time between Paris and Gordes in the South of France. Richard Philcox is Condé’s husband and translator. He has also published new translations of Frantz Fanon’s *The Wretched of the Earth* and *Black Skin, White Masks*. 

Praise for Condé

“Condé is one of the most important novelists writing today. Her stories are both historical and present, in the moment, murmuring secrets flavored with a Caribbean language of swishing rhythms, sweet as nectar, and lyrical as the swooshing skirts of the Guadeloupean women.”

—Quincey Troupe, author of *Ghost Voices: A Poem in Prayer*
Charles Baudelaire is indeed the greatest exemplar in modern poetry in any language,” said T. S. Eliot. We experience Baudelaire in myriad ways through his multifaceted writing. His sensuous poems—dreams of escape to an impossible, preferably tropical, elsewhere—draw us in with their descriptive and perceptual richness. There is also the bitter, compassionate, and desolate Baudelaire. Ultimately, Baudelaire’s true genius might reside in his expressive force and in the tension between his passions and intellect. The latter is most evident in his control of rhetoric and poetic form, and—given the poems’ density of language, thought, and feeling—his astonishing clarity.

This new English rendition of Baudelaire by award-winning translator Beverly Bie Brahic features poems from his celebrated volumes: Les Fleurs du mal, Les Épaves, Le Spleen de Paris, and Paradis artificiels. It also includes several of his prose poems, as well as an excerpt from his famous essay on wine and hashish. The poems in verse have Baudelaire’s French originals on facing pages; the prose poems, unaccompanied by their originals, are printed near the poems in verse with which they resonate. Complete with the translator’s illuminating introduction and notes, this beautifully crafted volume is an important addition to Baudelaire’s work in English translation.

Charles Baudelaire (1821–67) was one of the most influential nineteenth-century French poets. His works include Les Paradis artificiels, Les Fleurs du mal, Les Épaves, and posthumous collections Le Spleen de Paris and Petits poèmes en prose, among others. Beverly Bie Brahic is a Canadian poet and translator living in Paris and the San Francisco Bay Area. She has published two collections of poetry and several translations of French writers, including Guillaume Apollinaire, Francis Ponge, and Hélène Cixous.
Praise for Mayröcker

“Mayröcker’s work is a kind of continuous torrent of freely associative, passionate language in the service of private obsessions.”

—Poetry Ireland Review

“Mayröcker, among the world’s greatest living writers, reinterprets literary vocation as total theater. Swimming through the language-tide, she cuts syntax into new folds and undulations. Responding to her gestural commands, words form constellations, clusters, diaristic strings of inference.”

—Wayne Koestenbaum

Exploring longing, lust for life, aging, mortality, grief, and flowers in her inimitable late style, études is a diary-like sequence of poems by one of the greatest living Austrian poets. Friederike Mayröcker’s almost daily entries give us a unique view into the interplay between desire and her motivation for writing. In Mayröcker’s case, she writes both to keep a vanished world present and to exploit the possibilities of being present for constant experimentation. The poems in this volume are not only studies of how the mind works, moving from fragment to fragment, but also experiments with techniques of repetition, typography, collage, and quotation. Mayröcker transforms the humble page into spaces of radical openness. After all, she says, a poem is that which “opens everything up.” Each poem is date-stamped, and each date acts as a kind of permission for Mayröcker to pour in everything from notes on doctor’s visits to gorgeously structured elegies to obsessively repeating fragments of memory that act upon the whole like bits of recurring melody.

Rarely before has the intimate process of writing been so exquisitely laid bare as in études. Traversing the boundaries of literary forms with Mayröcker’s distinctive style, this important volume strikes an admirable balance between playfulness and serious inquiry.

Friederike Mayröcker is widely considered one of the most important Austrian poets of the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. She has published more than eighty works since 1956, including poetry, prose, radio plays, and children’s books. She lives in Vienna. Donna Stonecipher is the author of five books of poetry and one of prose. She has translated works from Ludwig Hohl, Alexander Kluge, and Friederike Mayröcker. She lives in Berlin.
Waiting on the Opposite Stage
Collected Poems
Translated by James Reidel

With poignancy and skill, Heiner Müller’s Waiting on the Opposite Stage comprises a personal retelling not only of postwar German history but also of the communist spirit and pathos that gave rise to the Berlin Wall and its fall. The overarching irony of this book is that the author witnessed the rise of his fame due to his country’s ruin. Müller, whose creative life spanned the existence of East Germany, is best known today for his play Die Hamlet-machine, which established him as the successor to Bertolt Brecht and gained him international recognition as a post-dramatic playwright. Waiting on the Opposite Stage reveals Müller as a poet, which he chiefly was during his time.

Arranged in four parts, this book collects more than 400 poems written from 1949 to 1995, including a section with the poet’s unpublished drafts and fragments. With helpful notes and an extensive afterword on Müller’s life and work, James Reidel has carefully preserved the layout of the original German poems in his translations. In verse and prose poetry, this important collection ranges from paeans to Stalin to Müller’s self-awareness of his own human scale and fame to his final eloquent months, when his creative life was cut short by cancer.

Heiner Müller (1929–95) was one of Germany’s leading playwrights, poets, and stage directors who lived and worked in East Berlin throughout the Cold War and after. James Reidel is a poet, biographer, and translator who has also translated the works by Thomas Bernhard, Georg Trakl, and Franz Werfel, among others.

“In [Müller’s] writings you will find that which is repellant, unfathomable, false, and absurd. You will, in short, find our times, recorded more unflinchingly than almost anywhere else. You will find truth, summoned up out of the ashes and mud, and you will find remarkable wit, intelligence, and beauty: the world, in short, as only the greatest dramatists are capable of describing it.”

—Tony Kushner
Everything starts with a song and everything ends with another song,” says the narrator of *The Divine Song*. Paris is an old Sufi cat who keeps watch over his brilliant yet pathetic master, Sammy Kamau-Williams, the Enchanter. In Sammy, we recognize the African American singer-composer, poet, and novelist Gil Scott-Heron, who is best known for his song “The Revolution Will Not Be Televised.” *The Divine Song* takes us from the shores of Africa to Sammy’s ancestors’ arrival in the Americas in the hold of the slave ships. From there, Abdourahman A. Waberi takes the characters from Tennessee—under the tutelage of Lili Williams, Sammy’s beloved African-born grandmother—to New York and the concert halls of Paris and Berlin, wherever blues and jazz find an enchanted audience. African tales, religious practices, segregation, the civil rights movement, addiction, and jail—Sammy’s life comes to encompass the whole of the African American experience.

At a time when social and racial divisions have yet again come into sharp relief, this lyrical novel by one of African literature’s rising stars is necessary reading for anyone who celebrates the resilience of art.

*Abdourahman A. Waberi* is a prize-winning novelist, essayist, and poet. He is professor of francophone literature at George Washington University. He is from Djibouti, and now lives in Washington, DC. *David* and *Nicole Ball* have translated well over a dozen books, together or separately. This is their fifth novel translated for Seagull Books and the second by Abdourahman A. Waberi.
RACHEL SHIHOR

Days of Peace

Translated by Sara Tropper

Jerusalem. The early years of the State of Israel. Naomi, a former architect from secular Tel Aviv, has just married Jochanan, a religious doctor who emigrated from Sweden. *Days of Peace* follows Naomi through 1950s Jerusalem as she meets a rich cast of characters, from an Arab beggarwoman in a park on a Sabbath afternoon to a professor of biblical archaeology on a life-long quest to produce a hand-lettered edition of the Bible. Kaleidoscopic scenes of the city pass: a ritual bath, a wedding hall, carpentry workshops, bookstores, Hadassah Hospital, a former leper colony, and more. As Naomi’s marriage deteriorates, she travels to Poland, where the sorrow over those lost in the Holocaust intertwines with her nostalgia for the early romance of her now-faded marriage. But as the drama unfolds in the divorce court back in Jerusalem, Naomi is on her ultimate search—to find her place in this historical city.

Written in deceptively simple, almost conversational prose, Rachel Shihor’s latest novel is a poignant, layered portrait of a city, a newborn nation, and a young woman’s quest to find herself.

Rachel Shihor has written several works on philosophy and a bilingual Hebrew–English collection of short stories, *Stalin Is Dead: Stories and Aphorisms on Animals, Poets and Other Earthly Creatures*. She lives in Tel Aviv. Sara Tropper is a translator and linguistic editor living in Israel.

Praise for Shihor

“The essential thing is to have the courage and honesty to examine our lives with a clear and steady eye, and this is exactly the gift Shihor so gracefully offers us through her fiction.”
—Asymptote

“There is no question that she is a great writer . . . only a master could make such originality feel inevitable. The only question is why so few people have had the chance to read her.”
—Nicole Krauss, author of *The History of Love*
Praise for Cao

“Mu Cao is one of the few openly gay poets living and writing in China, and as such, he is necessarily branded as a kind of dissident, or at the very least, as an outsider. Much of his poetry is dark and expressive of the tense situation in which he finds himself living.” —PEN America

In the Face of Death We Are Equal

Translated by Scott E. Myers

Those who know me call me Old He, and they also know that I’ve worked in a crematorium for my entire life.” Here begins Mu Cao’s novel, In the Face of Death We Are Equal, a powerful and authentic portrait of working-class gay men who live and love in the underbelly of Chinese society. He Donghai is days away from his sixtieth birthday and long-awaited retirement from his job as a corpse burner at a Beijing crematorium. As he approaches the momentous day, he reflects on his life and his relationship with an extraordinary group of young men who travel the country in search of a meal to eat and a roof over their heads. One of them is Ah Qing, a young migrant worker who leaves his village in Henan Province to earn a living in cities—and who has an unexpected personal connection to He. Combining elements of magical realism and the grotesque, and alternating between first, second, and third person, In the Face of Death We Are Equal tells the story of Ah Qing and the colorful cast of individuals he encounters in the course of his most unusual life. Sometimes enraging, often humorous, but always compelling, this novel explores the economic and sexual exploitation of young men and women from China’s impoverished countryside seeking survival in the shadow of China’s economic “miracle.”

Deftly translated by Scott E. Myers, it is one of the first titles in Seagull’s new Pride List, which showcases important queer writing from around the world. In the Face of Death We Are Equal will be a valuable addition to queer and Chinese literature in translation.

Mu Cao has no diplomas, is not a member of the Chinese Writers’ Association, and publishes almost entirely outside of official channels. He has been described as a folk poet and a “voice from the bottom of Chinese society.” His avant-garde novels, poetry collections, and short story collections include The Transsexual Age, A Treasured Book of Sunflowers, Selected Poems of Mu Cao, and Scream of a Hundred Lan Yans. He lives in Zhengzhou, Henan Province. Scott E. Myers is a translator of Chinese who focuses on contemporary queer fiction. He lives in Monterey, California.
Camille in October
Translated by Stephanie Schechner

In 1950s France, Camille struggles to figure out who she is and where she fits in the world of her coastal working-class neighborhood. Her mother holds the family together, with the support of a group of women who talk over coffee and cigarettes each day. Her father, a war veteran, is largely silent except when his inner rage erupts in violence. Her sister, Ariane, provides comic relief, while her construction worker brother, Abel, is a lost soul who suffers from severe seizures. Camille herself can usually be found curled up with a book, observing everything.

But an intellectual and sexual relationship with her dentist’s wife opens a world of new possibilities to Camille. Where will this lead her? Suicide, murder, accidental death—all are possible in this unconventional narrative from Mireille Best. As a young adult, Camille is not always the most reliable narrator, but she charms with her intelligence, lack of pretension, and strong connection to her roots. Through Camille’s eyes, we embark on a fundamental and universal quest to balance where we come from with who we need to become.

“Amid misery, love as a passage to life—emotional and cultural—gives this story its power and its originality. To achieve this required an exacting sensitivity. Here is the true success of this novelist.”
—Le Monde

Mireille Best (pseudonym of Mireille Lemarchand, 1943–2005) was born and raised in a working-class family in Le Havre, France. Unable to pursue university studies due to health problems, Best worked in a plastics factory after high school and later as a civil servant. Best wrote four volumes of short stories and three novels in French. This is the first English translation of her work. Stephanie Schechner is professor of French at Widener University in Pennsylvania.
Is it possible to fight for social justice if you’ve never really loved another person? Can you save a country if you’re in love?

Forty-six-year-old Anton Stöver’s marriage is broken. His affairs are a thing of the past, and his career at the university has reached a dead end. One day he is offered the chance to go to Rome to conduct research on Antonio Gramsci, at one time the leading figure of Italian communism. Once there, he falls obsessively in love with a young woman he has met, while continuing to focus his attention on the past: the frail and feverish Gramsci recovering in a Soviet sanatorium. Though Gramsci is supposed to save Italy from Mussolini’s seizure of power, he falls in love with a Russian comrade instead. With a subtle sense of the absurd, Nora Bossong explores the conflicts between having intense feelings for another and fighting for great ideals.
GUSTAVE ROUD

“Air of Solitude”
Followed by “Requiem”
Translated by Alexander Dickow and Sean T. Reynolds
With an Introduction by Antonio Rodriguez

Gustave Roud, perhaps the most beloved poet of Swiss Romandy, is widely considered the founder of modern francophone Swiss literature, along with Charles-Ferdinand Ramuz. Roud lived at his grandfather’s farm in Carrouge, Canton Vaud, for his entire life. In *Air of Solitude*, the first section of this two-part book, he stalks the structures and fields of his youth, composing memories out of his landscape. The narrator appears homegrown, expressing nostalgia for what is already in front of him. Yet, like an outsider, he remains distinctly elsewhere, unable to participate in the workday rituals of the men around him—a stalking shadow of unfulfilled yearning for affection and belonging. *Air of Solitude* explores the rural bodies and lives of the Vaudois, returning again and again to the desired male laborer Aimé.

Between each section of *Air of Solitude*, Roud inserts short vignettes that provide fleeting and lyrical images that resemble allusions to half-forgotten memories. However, Roud leaves the relationship between the titled sections and the interludes ambiguous. As the book concludes with *Requiem*, the remnants of narrative shatter, leaving behind only the spectral tatters of memory as Roud confronts the enigma of loss in peerless, jewel-studded, elegiac prose. With these two tales, Roud revives the pastoral tradition and injects it with distinctly modernist anxiety and disillusionment.

**From the Introduction**

“Roud made all of French-speaking Switzerland dream poetically upon itself, the land that welcomed European Romanticism from Rousseau to Byron, from Lamartine to Shelley. His poetry could seem idyllic, sustained by an ethereal figure of constantly conflicted desires (more or less unspeakable, always displayed), and a moral, sacrificial figure inspired, above all, by Novalis and Hölderlin.”

—Antonio Rodriguez

The Swiss List

Gustave Roud (1897–1976) was a major Swiss poet and photographer whose works include *Ecrits* and *Campagne perdue*. He also translated many German writers including Rilke, Hölderlin, and Novalis. **Alexander Dickow** is a poet, literary scholar, and translator. He is the author of *Appetites* and has translated works by Henri Drouet, Max Jacob, and Guillaume Apollinaire, among others. **Sean T. Reynolds** is a literary scholar, poet, and translator living in Chicago. He is coeditor of Jack Spicer’s *Translations of Beowulf*. 
“Soutine’s Last Journey is a powerful textual montage which documents the French painter’s journey back to Paris in August 1943. Dutli’s biographical novel is both an informative account of Soutine’s life and a bold essay illuminating his art. . . . This novel achieves the rare feat of bringing visual art to life on the page in its brilliant depiction of Soutine’s uncompromising quest to capture both the present and future of the subject portrayed on the canvas.”

—New Books in German

RALPH DUTLI

Soutine’s Last Journey
Translated by Katharina Rout

August 6, 1943. Chaim Soutine, a Jewish painter from Belorussia and a contemporary of Chagall, Modigliani, and Picasso, is hidden in a hearse that’s traveling from a small town on the Loire towards Nazi-occupied Paris. Suffering from a stomach ulcer, he urgently needs a life-saving operation. But the hearse must avoid the occupiers’ checkpoints, and it becomes increasingly likely that he will not survive the journey. In a stream of extraordinary, morphine-induced images, the artist hallucinates and remembers his life. He dreams of his childhood in Smilovichi near Minsk; his beginnings as a painter in Vilna; his arrival in 1913 in the art capital of the world, Paris, where he befriends Modigliani; and his survival of years of struggle and finding sudden success, only to be persecuted and forced into hiding when the Nazis invade. Back in the present, the painter believes that the power of milk is the only possible remedy for his ulcer. In his mind, he is traveling to a “white paradise”—a strange clinic where a “god in white” declares him healed but forbids him to paint. But for Soutine, neither paradise nor salvation exists if he cannot paint. So, he begins to paint again in secret, willing to pay the price of discovery.

A brilliant biographical novel about childhood, longing, friendship, bodily pain, and the wounds of exile, Ralph Dutli’s Soutine’s Last Journey is ultimately an exploration of language and the power of art.

Ralph Dutli is the author of more than thirty books of poetry, fiction, biography, cultural history, essays, and translations from both French and Russian. He grew up in Zurich and Paris, and now lives in Germany. Katharina Rout is a literary translator of contemporary German-language fiction. She is professor of English literature at Vancouver Island University, Canada.
Monsoon

Translated by Paul Melo e Castro

With an Introduction by Jason Keith Fernandes

An actor of traditional Hindu dramas meets an adolescent girl who turns out to be his half-sister. A man returns to Goa from Mozambique to father a child for a family whose unmarried daughters have produced no heirs. Another man feels out of place in his family home after coming back from Portugal to get a university education, as a woman waits faithfully for him to return. A forbidden romance blooms between a Christian girl and a Hindu boy. Through such stories, written with a mix of poignant nostalgia and sharp criticism, Vimala Devi recreates the colonial Goa of her childhood.

First published in 1963, two years after the Portuguese colony became part of India, *Monsoon* is a cycle of twelve stories that vary in tone. By turns satirical, desolate, tender, humorous, and dramatic, they come together through a subtle interplay of echoes, parallels, and cross-references to form a composite picture of a world gone by. They delve into divisions of caste, religion, language, and material privilege, setting them off against a common historical experience and deeply felt attachment to the land.

Including a critical and contextualizing introduction by Jason Keith Fernandes, this rendition of *Monsoon* allows contemporary readers a rare peep into a colonial society that was significantly different from the British Indian mainstream.

**Vimala Devi** is the pen name of Teresa da Piedade de Baptista Almeida. Born in 1932 in Portuguese Goa to a family of Catholic landowners, she pursued studies in Portuguese and English. In 1957 she moved to Lisbon and began to work as a translator. Along with *Monsoon*, she has published several collections of poetry, a memoir, and coauthored a two-volume critical anthology, *A Literatura Indo-Portuguesa*. She currently lives in Barcelona. **Paul Melo e Castro** lectures in Portuguese and comparative literature at the University of Glasgow. He is a regular literary translator of Portuguese-language fiction.
The day they found my brother with a blood stain, I found one on my kurta too, but no one noticed my blood stain.”

Thus begins the story of a young girl in Kashmir as she goes through the turbulence of adolescence in her conflict-ridden world. While larger issues of terrorism, violence, and death engulf the hearts and minds of all those around her, she struggles to come to terms with her changing body and all that it entails. Left alone to deal with her constant questions, she experiences despair and loneliness but also shows resilience and hope in the faint knowledge that maybe it is not very different for all young girls around the world: “Is it the same for you?” she asks.

With powerful yet sensitive illustrations by Priya Sebastian, which infuse the story with a universality, this beautiful volume is a tender attempt in imagining the different strands of a young life in Kashmir—a place where the inner conflicts of voiceless, adolescent girls are often overshadowed by the political, religious, and military conflicts that are now a constant in everyday life.

Neha Singh is a Mumbai-based author, theatre practitioner, and activist. She writes poetry, fiction, and nonfiction in English and Hindi. She was chosen as one of the Hundred Most Influential Women in the World by BBC in 2016 for her blog Why Loiter? (whyloiter.blogspot.com). Priya Sebastian is an illustrator living in Bangalore.
Modern Sovereign
The Body of Power in Central Africa (Congo and Gabon)

JOSEPH TONDA
Translated by Chris Turner

The “Modern Sovereign,” a notion indebted both to Hobbes’s Leviathan and Marx’s conception of capital, refers to the power that governed the African multitudes from the earliest colonial days to the post-colonial era. It is an internalized power, responsible for the multiforum violence exerted on bodies and imaginations. Joseph Tonda contends that in Central Africa—and particularly in Gabon and the Congo—the body is at the heart of political, religious, sexual, economic, and ritual power. This, he argues, is confirmed by the strong link between corporeal and political matters, and by the ostentatious display of bodies in African life.

The body of power asserts itself as both matter and spirit, and it incorporates the seductive force of money, commodities, sex, and knowledge. Tonda’s incisive analysis reveals how this sovereign power is a social relation, historically constituted by the violence of the African cultural imaginary and the realities of state, market, and church. It is to be understood, he asserts, through a generalized theory of economic, political, and religious fetishism. By introducing this crucial critical voice from contemporary Africa into the English language, The Modern Sovereign makes a significant contribution to field of anthropology, political science, and African studies.

Joseph Tonda is professor of sociology at Omar Bongo University, Libreville, Gabon. He is also a regular visiting instructor at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris. Chris Turner is a translator and writer living in Birmingham, UK. He has translated more than eighty books from French and German.

Now in Paperback
Phantom Africa

MICHEL LEIRIS
Translated by Brent Hayes Edwards

One of the towering classics of twentieth century French literature, Phantom Africa is a singular and ultimately unclassifiable work: a book composed of one man’s compulsive and constantly mutating daily travel journal—by turns melodramatic, self-deprecating, erratic, and morose—as well as an exhaustively detailed account of the first French state-sponsored anthropological expedition to visit sub-Saharan Africa.

In 1930, Michel Leiris was an aspiring poet drifting away from the orbit of the Surrealist movement in Paris when the anthropologist Marcel Griaule invited him on an ethnographic journey that traversed the African continent from 1931 to 1933. Leiris, while maintaining the official records of the Mission, also kept a diary where he noted not only a given day’s activities and events but also his impressions, his states of mind, his anxieties, his dreams, and even his erotic fantasies. Upon returning to France, rather than compiling a more conventional report or ethnographic study, Leiris decided simply to publish his diary. The result is an extraordinary book: a day-by-day record of one European writer’s experiences in an Africa inexorably shaded by his own exotic delusions and expectations, on the one hand, and an unparalleled depiction of the paradoxes and hypocrisies of conducting anthropological field research at the height of the colonial era on the other.

Michel Leiris (1901–90) was one of the most influential French intellectuals and writers of the twentieth century and the author of Manhood. Brent Hayes Edwards is professor in the Department of English and Comparative Literature at Columbia University.
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**Waiting**

A Collection of Stories

**NIGHT GANDHI**

In this new collection by Nighat Gandhi, the private worlds of women open themselves up to the reader. Inside their homes, women are trapped in a state of continuous limbo, waiting for change; young girls struggle for the “purity” that religion demands of them; new mothers wonder at the absence of desire. Outside, the seasons change—trees shed their leaves, the sky becomes overcast, and rain falls. Sounds float inside, and the women wonder about the meaning of life. Each story elicits a new, sometimes troubling, question about living as a woman in the world today. The characters’ nuanced descriptions and unspiring truthfulness leaves readers with a sense of discomfort as they confront their own demons. With subtle force, *Waiting* explores love, longing, loss, aging, survival, hope, and self-invention—the most powerful realities of life.

*Nighat Gandhi* is a mental health counselor, a mother, a South Asian, a queer-feminist, a Vipassana meditator, and a student of Tasawwuf (Sufism). *Waiting* is her fourth book.

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**High Wind**

Translated by Udayon Misra

Jeumon has a complicated story stuck in her head: her family’s. In the newly drawn boundaries of Assam and Meghalaya in 1972 India, young Jeumon wonders how she should define herself. Is she Assamese, like her father, or Khasi, like her mother? As a researcher and writer, she speaks with passion of the oral narratives and folk tales shared by the people of the hills and plains, those of different tribes, and those with different languages. To herself, she wonders: if stories can do this, why can’t people? Why must they be trapped in singular identities?

In this moving narrative of change, Tilottoma Misra tells the story of one family to explore how lives are impacted by sweeping geographical partitions and how human relationships morph under the weight of political turmoil.

*Tilottoma Misra* is a writer, critic, and translator based in Assam, India. Her previous work includes *Literature and Society in Assam* and *Swarnalata*, also published by Zubaan. She is also the editor of *The Oxford Anthology of Writings from North-East India*. *Udayon Misra* is an academic and translator. He is former professor and head of the department of English at Dibrugarh University, Assam. He is the author of many books including *India’s North-East: Identity Movements, State and Civil Society*. He is currently based in Guwahati, Assam.
The Mystic and the Lyric
Four Women Poets from Kashmir
TRANSLATED AND EDITED BY NEERJA MATTOO

For the first time, *The Mystic and the Lyric* brings together the classic work of four women poets from Kashmir who have shaped its literary imagination: Lalded, Habba Khatun, Arnimal, and Rupa Bhavani. These women inhabit not just the collective memory of Kashmiris and Kashmir but are part of the land’s living oral tradition. Folk singers begin their performances with Lalded’s *vaakhs* (quatrains). Arnimal’s pain of unrequited love and Khatun’s complaints about her in-laws are ironic wedding vatsans or songs. Bhavani’s sites of meditation are now shrines where her *vaakhs* are chanted in annual celebrations. Central to the shaping of both the mystic and the lyric traditions of Kashmiri poetry, the work of these poets is unknown outside Kashmir. In this collection, Neerja Mattoo’s elegant translations introduce new readers to the beautiful living oral tradition of Kashmiri lyric poetry and give these revolutionary women the recognition they richly deserve.

Neerja Mattoo taught English at Government College for Women in Srinagar, India. She is chief editor of the quarterly Kashmiri journal *Miraas*.

The Many That I Am
Writings from Nagaland
EDITED BY ANUNGLA ZOE LONGKUMER

A grandmother’s tattoos, the advent of Christianity, stories woven into fabrics, a tradition of orality, the imposition of a “new” language, and a history of war and conflict—all of this and much more informs the writers and artists in this book. Filmmaker and writer Anungla Zoe Longkumer brings together, for the first time, a remarkable set of stories, poems, first-person narratives, and visuals that showcase the breadth of Naga women’s creative and literary expression. The essays are written in English, a language the Nagas—who had no tradition of written literature—made their own after the arrival of Christianity in the region during the nineteenth century. In *The Many That I Am*, each writer speaks of the many journeys women undertake to reclaim their pasts and understand their complex present.

Anungla Zoe Longkumer is a musician, writer, and filmmaker based in Dimapur, Nagaland. She is the author of *Folklore of Eastern Nagaland*.
Although it is now well-known how pervasive sexual violence is in situations of war and peace, not enough has been done to work towards its prevention. Compiled by the international research group Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict, this volume takes an interdisciplinary approach to understanding wartime sexual violence. Its inquiry employs four key relationships: war and power, violence and sexuality, gender and engendering, and visibility and invisibility. Within these subjects, the authors identify gaps in existing knowledge to develop a deeper and more nuanced understanding of the field. Through essays, reflections, and conversations, they show how such violence is polymorphic and heterogenous. Women’s activism and research, according to them, has done a great deal to draw attention to sexual violence, showing how it is man-made and is structured by cultural, social, and historical conditions. Together, the contributors make a powerful argument for urgency in addressing this major issue across the world by listening to the voices of women on the ground.

**Kirsten Campbell** is currently principal investigator of the European Research Council funded project, the Gender of Justice. **Regina Mühlhäuser** is a senior researcher at the Hamburg Foundation for the Advancement of Research and Culture and an associate researcher at the Hamburg Institute for Social Research in Germany. She is co-coordinator of the international research group Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict (SVAC). **Gaby Zipfel** is co-coordinator of SVAC. She is a researcher at the Hamburg Foundation for the Advancement of Research and Culture, and a member of the Eurozine Advisory Board.
Many people have a love of maps. But what lies behind the process of mapmaking? How have cartographers through the centuries developed their craft and established a language of maps that helps them to better represent our world and help users to understand it?

This book tells the story of how widely accepted mapping conventions originated and evolved—from map orientation, projections, typography, and scale, to the use of color, symbols, ways of representing relief, and the treatment of boundaries and place names. It charts the fascinating story of how conventions have changed in response to new technologies and ever-changing mapping requirements, how symbols can be a matter of life or death, why universal acceptance of conventions can be difficult to achieve, and how new mapping conventions are developing to meet the needs of modern cartography. Why North Is Up offers an accessible and enlightening guide to the sometimes hidden techniques of map-making through the centuries.

**Mick Ashworth** is director of Ashworth Maps and Interpretation Ltd and consultant editor to *The Times Atlas of the World*. He is also a fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and a former president of the British Cartographic Society.
Fifty Maps and the Stories they Tell

The Bodleian Library’s map collection is a treasure trove of cartographic delights spanning more than a thousand years. This book features highlights from the collection together with rare artifacts and some stunning examples from twenty-first-century mapmakers. Lavishly illustrated throughout, the book showcases a rich array: from military maps, digital cartograms, decorative portolan charts, and maps of heaven and hell; to a Siberian sealskin map and a twelfth-century Arabic map of the Mediterranean; to J. R. R. Tolkien’s cosmology of Middle-earth, C. S. Lewis’s map of Narnia, and a tapestry map by contemporary artist Grayson Perry. Each map is accompanied by a narrative revealing the story behind its creation and the significance of its design. The chronological arrangement highlights how the science and practice of cartography has changed over time and how this evolution reflects political and social transformations from century to century.

Jerry Brotton is professor of Renaissance studies at Queen Mary University of London. Nick Millea is the Map Librarian at the Bodleian Library.
Dating from the seventeenth century at the height of the Ming Dynasty, the Selden Map of China reveals a country very different from popular conceptions of the time, looking not inward to the Asian landmass but outward to the sea. Discovered in the stacks of the Bodleian Library, this beautifully decorative map of China is, in fact, a seafaring chart showing Ming Dynasty trade routes. It is the earliest surviving example of Chinese merchant cartography and is evidence that Ming China was outward-looking, capitalistic, and vibrant.

Exploring the commercial aims of the Ming Dynasty, the port city of Quanzhou and its connections with the voyages of the early traveler Zheng He, this book describes the historical background of the era in which the map was used. It also includes an analysis of the skills and techniques involved in Chinese mapmaking and the significance of the compass bearings, scale, and ratios found on the map, all of which combine to represent a breakthrough in cartographic techniques.

The enthralling story revealed by this extraordinary artifact sheds light on the long history of China's relationship with the sea and with the wider world.

**Hongping Annie Nie** is a teaching and research associate of the University of Oxford China Centre and a senior member of St Anthony's College, Oxford.
Eachcombing, overturning a boulder, or simply parting the strands of seaweed in a rock pool can offer a glimpse into a thriving underwater world of astonishing creatures. Starfish which, upon losing an arm, can grow a new one; ethereal moon jellyfish pulsating in the current; baby sharks hatching from their fancifully named “mermaids’ purses.”

This veritable marine bestiary tells these fascinating stories of life between the tides. Featuring stunning oil paintings by the author, Curious Creatures on our Shores presents over fifty of the most unusual and remarkable marine organisms found on British coasts, from beloved seahorses and starfish to lesser-known critters like sea potatoes and sea lemons.

Inspired by the Oxford University Museum of Natural History’s exceptionally rich zoology collections, which contain millions of specimens amassed from centuries of expeditions, this book invites us to marvel anew at the natural wonders found where water and land meet.

Chris Thorogood is a biologist and wildlife artist. He is Deputy Director and Head of Science at Oxford University Botanic Garden.
Many beloved novels have place at their heart—and often even in their title. *Novel Houses* visits unforgettable dwellings in twenty legendary works of English and American fiction, exploring how *Uncle Tom’s Cabin* came to start the American Civil War, why *Bleak House* is used as the name of a happy home, and what Jane Austen had in mind when she worked out the plot for *Mansfield Park*. Taking up the importance of 221B Baker Street to Sherlock Holmes, and of Bag-End to the hobbits who called it home, the book also sheds fresh light on Emily Brontë’s *Wuthering Heights*, Mervyn Peake’s *Gormenghast*, and the real-life settings of Daphne du Maurier’s *Rebecca* and E. M. Forster’s *Howards End*. Throughout, the book invites us to consider how houses, while so fundamental to these stories, also reveal much about their authors’ passions and preoccupations. A winning combination of literary criticism, geography, and biography, this is an entertaining and insightful celebration of beloved novels and the extraordinary role that houses play—whether grand or small, unique or ordinary, real or imagined.

*Christina Hardyment* is a writer and journalist with a special interest in literary geography and domestic history. She is the author of *Writing the Thames*, also published by the Bodleian Library.
Every map tells a story. Some provide a narrative for travelers, explorers, and surveyors or offer a visual account of changes to people’s lives and surroundings, while others tell imaginary tales, transporting us to fictional worlds created by writers and artists. In turn, maps generate more stories, taking users on new journeys in search of knowledge and adventure.

Drawing on the Bodleian Library’s outstanding map collection and covering almost a thousand years, Talking Maps takes a new approach to the study of mapmaking by showing how maps and stories have always been intimately entwined. Including such rare treasures as a unique map of the Mediterranean from the eleventh-century Arabic Book of Curiosities, a twelfth-century map of the world by al-Sharif al-Idrisi, and C. S. Lewis’s map of Narnia, this fascinating book analyzes maps as objects that enable us to cross sea and land; as windows into alternative and imaginary worlds; as guides to reaching the afterlife; as tools to manage cities, nations, and empires; as images of environmental change; and as digitized visions of the global future.

By telling the stories behind the artifacts and those generated by them, Talking Maps reveals how each map is not just a tool for navigation but also a worldly proposal that helps us to understand who we are by describing where we are.

Jerry Brotton is professor of Renaissance studies at Queen Mary University of London. Nick Millea is the Map Librarian at the Bodleian Library.
YOSSEF RAPOPORT

Islamic Maps

Spanning the Islamic world, from ninth-century Baghdad to nineteenth-century Iran, this book tells the story of Islamic cartography and the key Muslim mapmakers who shaped the art over the centuries. Muslim geographers like al-Khwarazmi and al-Idrisi developed distinctive styles, often based on geometrical patterns and calligraphy, and their maps covered all the known world, from the sources of the Nile to the European lands of the north and the Wall of Gog and Magog in the east. These map-makers combined novel cartographical techniques with art, science, and geographical knowledge to produce maps that could be both aesthetically stunning and mathematically sophisticated.

Islamic Maps examines Islamic visual interpretations of the world in their historical context through the mapmakers themselves. What was the purpose of their maps, what choices did they make, and what arguments about the world were they trying to convey? Lavishly illustrated with stunning manuscripts, beautiful instruments, and Qibla charts, this book shows how maps constructed by Muslim map-makers capture the many dimensions of Islamic civilization across the centuries.

Yossef Rapoport is a reader in Islamic history at Queen Mary University of London.
CLAIRE COCK-STARKEY

A Museum Miscellany

Which are the oldest museums in the world? What is a cabinet of curiosity? What is on the FBI’s list of stolen art?

A Museum Miscellany celebrates the intriguing world of galleries and museums, from national institutions such as the Louvre, the British Museum, and the Metropolitan Museum of Art to niche collections such as the Lawnmower Museum and the Museum of Barbed Wire. Here you will find a cornucopia of museum-related facts, statistics, and lists, covering everything from museum ghosts, dangerous museum objects, and conservation beetles to treasure troves, museum heists, and the Museum of London’s fatberg.

Bursting with quirky facts, intriguing statistics, and legendary curators, this book is the perfect gift for museum aficionados and collectors alike.

Claire Cock-Starkey is a writer and editor based in Cambridge. She was the series editor for all six editions of Schott’s Almanac, and she is also the author of The Book Lovers’ Miscellany and A Library Miscellany, both also published by the Bodleian Library.
A long time ago, there was a brave and kind Anglo-Saxon princess called Frideswide who lived in Oxford, England and just happened to be brilliant at climbing very tall trees. One day, when a wicked king tried to kidnap her, her talent came of use. How did she and her friends escape, and what happened to the king and his soldiers who tried to take her?

With stunning illustrations by award-winning artist Alan Marks, the legend of Saint Frideswide, patron saint of Oxford, is retold for young children as a tale of adventure, courage in the face of danger, friendship, and kindness, with a few surprises along the way.
Pizza, pasta, and olive oil: today, it’s hard to imagine any supermarket without these items. But how did these foods—and many more Italian ingredients—become so widespread?

In this book, Diego Zancani maps the extraordinary progress of Italian food, from the legacy of the Roman invasion to its current, ever-increasing popularity. Starting with medieval manuscripts, he traces Italian recipes in Britain back to the thirteenth century, and draws on later travel diaries to explore British and American encounters with Italian food abroad. The book also shows how Italian immigrants, from ice-cream sellers and grocers to chefs and restaurateurs, had a transformative influence on the spread of the cuisine, championing Italian food at pivotal moments throughout history. Lavishly illustrated with material from the archives of the Bodleian Library and elsewhere, this sumptuous book also includes Italian regional recipes that have come down to us through the centuries, and celebrates the enduring international appeal of delicatessens, pizzerias, trattorias, and the Mediterranean diet.

Diego Zancani is an emeritus fellow of Balliol College and emeritus professor of Medieval and Modern Languages at the University of Oxford. He was previously a visiting professor at Harvard University.
Daniel Meadows is a pioneer of contemporary British documentary practice. His photographs and audio recordings, made over the course of forty-five years, uniquely capture the life of England’s "great ordinary." He has fashioned from his many encounters a nation’s story, challenging the status quo by working collaboratively.

This book includes important work from Meadows’s groundbreaking projects, drawing on the archives now held at the Bodleian Library. It follows the maverick documentarian as he ran a free portrait studio in Manchester’s Moss Side in 1972 and then traveled 10,000 miles to make a national portrait from his converted double-decker, the Free Photographic Omnibus, a project he revisited a quarter of a century later. The book goes on to show how, at the turn of the millennium, Meadows adopted new “kitchen table” technologies to make digital stories, which he dubbed "multimedia sonnets from the people." Through the unique voices of his subjects, Meadows has made and continues to make moving and insightful commentaries on life in Britain.

Daniel Meadows is a photographer whose work has been exhibited widely, including solo shows at the Institute of Contemporary Arts London, Camerawork Gallery, the Photographers’ Gallery, and a touring retrospective from the National Media Museum.

Daryll Green is librarian at Magdalen College, University of Oxford. Laura Moretti is a senior lecturer in art history at the University of St Andrews.
Tonic water elicits images of sparkling drinks and stirred concoctions, but it has a history that reaches beyond the bar. Its roots go back centuries, starting with the Andes and the cinchona tree, and it had its start as a natural medicine instead of as a tasty mixer. Quinine, tonic water’s signature ingredient, was once used to treat Malaria and is still used by some to soothe leg cramps. From the Quechua people and Spanish colonists, to French chemists and British officers, the journey from botanical discovery to cocktail staple is a fascinating story.

Just the Tonic is an accessible yet informative history of tonic water, written by leading experts from the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew—which is home to one of the largest collections in the world of historic cinchona. It takes us through the discovery and development of quinine and its eventual meeting with sparkling water. It also introduces us to the basic botany and development of the cinchona tree.

The iconic gin and tonic cocktail is not forgotten in these pages. The authors look at the changing role of the drink, tracing the rise and fall, and rise again, of cocktails straight from officers’ messes of British India, the art deco cocktail bars of the 1920s, through to the Mad Men era and the recent resurgence of gin as a drink of choice. A final chapter on cocktail recipes provides instructions on how to make delicious alcoholic and nonalcoholic drinks using an array of different tonics and spirits. Mixed into the book are reproductions of stunning historical artwork, posters, and photographs.

This is the first authoritative book on the history and role of tonic water, making it the perfect addition to both bookshelves and bar carts.

Kim Walker trained as a medical herbalist and now specializes in the history of plant medicines. She is currently working on a PhD on cinchona at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. She is the coauthor of The Handmade Apothecary and The Herbal Remedy Handbook. Mark Nesbitt is curator of the Economic Botany Collection at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. He is the coauthor of Curating Biocultural Collections and The Botanical Treasury, the former published by Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, and the latter published by the University of Chicago Press.
Dale Chihuly’s sculptures are some of the most immediately recognizable and internationally beloved. He revolutionized the Studio Glass movement and is credited as helping to elevate blown glass from craft to fine art form. However, most people come across Chihuly not within the walls of a museum, but outdoors in gardens and green spaces. His pieces have graced gardens across the world, and some of his most breathtaking work has been at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.

Chihuly at Kew: Reflections on nature is a celebration of the work of the iconic artist and his second collaboration with Kew. The book showcases Chihuly’s utterly unique glass artworks across one of London’s most spectacular landscapes in a perfect marriage of art, science, and nature. Stunning photography depicts the art installations set within the landscape as well as in glasshouses and the Shirley Sherwood Gallery of Botanical Art. Highlights include the Drawings and Rotolo series, the most technically challenging work Chihuly has ever created, as well as Seaforms, undulating forms that conjure underwater life; and a custom-designed sculpture suspended from the ceiling of the newly restored Temperate House—appropriate for the greatest glasshouse in the world. An introductory essay by Tim Richardson accompanies the artworks, along with artist’s chronology and biography.

Chihuly’s sculptures are not meant to overshadow the nature around them. Instead, they encourage visitors to stop and look closer at the plants that host the art. With this collection, even those who are unable to visit the exhibition in person will have a chance to pause and admire nature in a totally different way.

Dale Chihuly is renowned for his ambitious architectural installations around the world, in historic cities, museums, and gardens. His work is included in more than two hundred museum collections worldwide including the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Smithsonian American Art Museum, and the Corning Museum of Glass.
For more than 250 years, the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew has fostered the study of plant diversity and economic botany.

Marianne North
Gift Wrap
100 Postcards

An intrepid Victorian traveler and prolific painter, Marianne North produced more than eight hundred paintings over her lifetime. She eschewed the soft pastels of typical botanical artists and instead painted entire landscapes using bold, hearty oil paints. Her collection is housed at Kew, where you can still see 848 of her paintings on display in an eponymous gallery.

The Marianne North Gift Wrap is a book of twelve sheets of wrapping paper, each featuring one of North’s iconic paintings. Printed on quality paper, each sheet tears out easily, leaving you with a clean edge for hassle-free wrapping. It will add some botanical brightness to any gift for the garden-lover in your life.

Marianne North 100 Postcards is a box overflowing with one hundred of North’s beautiful paintings. Each full-color postcard features a unique illustration from the collection and it includes plants from all over the world. What more fitting tribute to a globetrotter than to send one of her postcards from your own international (or even local) adventures?

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The world of trees is as immensely diverse as our uses for them, but there is one undeniable truth—they are forever linked to our survival. As deforestation continues throughout the world, spaces like the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, take on a deeper meaning. Not only do they provide a refuge for some fast-disappearing species, they also serve as a reminder that we should appreciate these emerald cathedrals.

Kew has more than 14,000 trees in its 132 hectares: a unique mix of the rare, ancient, useful, and beautiful. In *Kew’s Big Trees* you can discover how one of the world’s best tree collections came to be, learn the stories behind twenty of its most intriguing trees, and be reminded as to why trees are so vitally important to us all.

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“To love is to act”—“Aimer, c’est agir.” These words, which Victor Hugo wrote three days before he died, epitomize his life’s philosophy. His love of freedom, democracy, and all people—especially the poor and wretched—drove him not only to write his epic Les Misérables but also to follow his conscience. We have much to learn from Hugo, who battled for justice, lobbied against slavery and the death penalty, and fought for the rights of women and children. In a series of essays that interweave Hugo’s life with Les Misérables and point to the novel’s contemporary relevance, To Love Is to Act explores how Hugo reveals his guiding principles for life, including his belief in the redemptive power of love and forgiveness. Enriching the book are insights from artists who captured the novel’s heart in the famed musical, Les Mis creators Alain Boublil and Claude-Michel Schönberg, producer of the musical Les Misérables Sir Cameron Mackintosh, film director Tom Hooper, and award-winning actors who have portrayed Jean Valjean: Colm Wilkinson and Hugh Jackman.

“In Les Misérables, Victor Hugo inspires us with both his humanity and his fight to eliminate poverty, which is to me still our greatest issue today. In To Love Is to Act, Marva Barnett insightfully explores Hugo’s call upon us to live through love and conscience, to ask ourselves just what we are prepared to stand up for and what we are prepared to do. Particularly after playing Jean Valjean, I admire Valjean’s tenacity to fight through his regrets and pain and to commit himself to an ideal, to work selflessly for something higher than himself. Readers of To Love Is to Act will find themselves intrigued by Hugo’s guiding life principles and, like fans of Les Mis, aspiring to be better people every day.”—Hugh Jackman, actor

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After the Crisis
Contemporary States of Photography
Edited by DONATIEN GRAU and CHRISTOPH WIESNER

After the Crisis offers a platform for discussions between some of today’s leading artists, writers, theorists, curators, and historians aimed at questioning the very status of photography today. Contributors come from the realms of critical theory, fiction, performance art, fashion photography, and museums, as well as film and design, and their conversations bring together history and the contemporary. Comparing the current situation of photographic images with the crisis experienced by representation at the time of the birth of photography, they set our relationship with photographic images in the digital era in perspective. Through these discussions, we come to sense the existential burden of being surrounded by images, while also beginning to grasp the historical depth of a questioning of images that started long before the current generation and engages with crucial political and cultural issues of our time.

The contributors to this volume include: Philippe Artières, Elisabeth Bronfen, Emanuele Coccia, Russell Ferguson, Dominique de Font-Réaulx, Marc Fumaroli, Leigh Ledare, Kieran Long, Tom McCarthy, Renzo Martens, Pascale Montandon-Jodorowsky, ORLAN, Alice Rawsthorn, Jeff Rosenheim, Bruno Serralongue, Abdellah Taïa, Oliviero Toscani, Wim Wenders, and Richard Wentworth.

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Necroperformance
Cultural Reconstructions of the War Body
DOROTA SAJEWSKA

In Necroperformance, Dorota Sajewska proposes an innovative perspective for looking back at the formative process of Polish modernity, delving into repressed areas of experience connected with World War I and the ensuing emancipatory movements. Underpinning modern Polish nationhood, she reveals, is not only a Romantic myth of independence but also the up-close horrors of fratricidal warfare and the pacifist aspirations of those confronted with its violence.

Searching for traces of memory in precarious bodies inflicted with the violence of war, Necroperformance implores us to acknowledge the fragility of life as it actively reinforces an attitude of respect for the right to live. Sajewska constructs an alternative culture archive, conjuring it from compoundly-mediatized historical remnants—bodies, documents, artworks, and cultural writings—that demand to be recognized in non-canonical reflection on our past. Her chief objective is to understand the social impact of remains and their place in culture, and by examining the body and corporeality in artistic practices, social and cultural performances, she strives to identify both the fragmentariness of memory and the discontinuity of history, and finally, to reinstate the body’s (or its “documental remains”) historical and political dimension.

Dorota Sawjewska is assistant professor of interart at the University of Zurich and at the Institute of Polish Culture, University of Warsaw.
We know Isaac Newton as a brilliant polymath, inventor of the calculus and the person who first began to suss out the fundamental laws of physics. But in this delightful account of his life and thought aimed at young readers, we learn oh, so much more about Newton and his secret life . . . on the dark side of the moon.

Newton and the Club of Astronomers invites us on a wildly imaginative journey to join Newton as he meets with the famous (and definitely secret) Club of Astronomers in their clubhouse on the hidden side of the moon. At the Club’s meetings, we learn about Newton’s discoveries and understand his pioneering thoughts about gravity, planetary orbits, and much, much, more. Whimsical and fanciful, yet firmly rooted in Newton’s actual ideas and discoveries, Newton and the Club of Astronomers is the perfect introduction for curious children to one of the great figures of scientific history.

Marion Kadi is an artist and Abram Kaplan is a historian of mathematics. Tatiana Boyko is an illustrator who lives in London. Jordan Lee Schnee lives in Berlin, where he is a writer, translator, and musician.
Making Van Gogh

“Van Gogh is dead, but Van Gogh’s people live. And how they live! They are Van-Goghing on all sides.”

That is how Ferdinand Avenarius described Vincent van Gogh’s legacy in the magazine Der Kunstwart in 1910. Indeed, barely fifteen years after his death in 1890, Van Gogh was seen as one of the most important forerunners of modern painting. In Making Van Gogh, Alexander Eiling, Felix Krämer, and their contributors explore the oeuvre of Vincent van Gogh in the context of its reception, focusing particularly on the role which German gallerists, collectors, critics, and museums played in the story of his success.

As this book shows, Van Gogh exerted a particular fascination at the beginning of the twentieth century, especially on young artists in Germany. Key pieces from each of Van Gogh’s creative phases are contrasted in the essays with works by Max Beckmann, Erich Heckel, Ernst Ludwig Kirchner, Paula Modersohn-Becker, Gabriele Münter, Karl Schmidt-Rottluff, and others, revealing both the influence the Dutch artist achieved after his death and the importance he had had as a role model for expressionist art.

With more than three hundred color images—including 140 outstanding works from international collections and fifty central works by Van Gogh—Making Van Gogh offers a new look at the legacy of one of the most famous and influential figures in Western art.

Alexander Eiling is head of collections for modern art at the Städel Museum in Frankfurt am Main. Felix Krämer is general director of the Kunstpalast in Düsseldorf.
Alex Katz
Painting the Now

American painter Alex Katz’s career has now spanned nearly seven decades, two hundred solo exhibitions, and five hundred group exhibitions. He has received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Academy Museum, New York, been awarded two honorary doctorates, and named the Philip Morris Distinguished Artist at the American Academy of Berlin. Today, his works can be found in over one hundred public collections worldwide—a long way from his beginnings in Brooklyn, New York, where he was born in 1927.

This collection of essays follows Katz from his emergence on the New York art scene in the 1950s—during the heyday of abstract expressionism—through every creative phase of his career. But as the essays show, this pioneer of pop art has always had a unique aesthetic that stood him apart from other painters of his generation. Influenced by contemporary music, dance, and poetry, he pursued his own idiosyncratic and decidedly modern form of realism. From his iconic portraits of family, friends, and artistic collaborators to his less well-known landscapes and city scenes, Katz’s consummate technique and sensitivity for painterly surfaces unfolded in productive tension with the formal languages of film, fashion, and advertising.

Illustrated with over one hundred color images and including recent essays and interviews illuminating his influence on contemporary artists, Alex Katz is an impressive compilation of the life of an artist who devoted himself to the representation of the immediacy of human perception and, as he calls it, “painting in the present tense.”

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An American artist of Haitian and Puerto Rican descent, Jean-Michel Basquiat (1960–88) first made a name for himself as part of a graffiti duo who wrote enigmatic epigrams on Manhattan’s Lower East Side during the 1970s, a place and time that saw the coalescence of hip hop, punk, and street art cultures. By the 1980s, his neo-expressionist paintings were being exhibited in galleries and museums across the globe.

Encompassing Basquiat’s lifelong intensive study of the self, Basquiat: By Himself is dedicated to the expressive self-portraits he created. These portraits are regarded as being among the most important of his radical creative works, and the essays here examine some fifty specific portraits of himself, as well as the concealed reproductions of the artist that can be found in his series of likenesses of African American men. As this book reveals, these similarities were produced by a man who was affected by everyday racism and identified with the heroes, saints, and martyrs he portrayed. Within these key works, we can see Basquiat’s focus on identity, discrimination, and prejudice to capitalism, the market, and oppression.

Featuring 120 color images, Basquiat: By Himself is the first book to examine the central position Basquiat’s self-portraits hold within his oeuvre and sheds new light on the works of this intriguing artist.

Dieter Buchhart is a curator and art theorist who has published numerous articles, reviews, and interviews.
Yoko Ono & John Lennon

Liberté Conquérante / Growing Freedom

Yoko Ono is a leading experimental and avant-garde artist. In Tokyo during the 1950s, she introduced original questions about the concept of art and the art object, breaking down the traditional boundaries between branches of art. She has since been associated with conceptual art, performance, Fluxus, and 1960s happenings—one of the few women to participate in these movements. Through her performances and activism, she created a new kind of relationship with both spectators and fellow artists—including her late husband, John Lennon—by inviting them to play an active part in the creative process. In addition, her influence brings together Eastern and Western cultures, which extend and strengthen each other in continuous innovation.

Accompanying a major new exhibition of Ono’s work at the Phi Foundation for Contemporary Art in Montreal, this book underscores the cornerstones of action, participation, and imagination in the work of this fascinating artist. Essays by Cheryl Sim, Gunnar B. Kvaran, and Caroline Andrieux first engage with Ono’s instruction works and emphasize the role of the visitor in their completion. They then present the collaborative projects for peace undertaken by Ono and Lennon, including the Acorn project, the War is Over peace campaign, and their “Bed In” projects, which took place fifty years ago. Ultimately, Yoko Ono & John Lennon seeks to impart the artist’s massive impact on contemporary art practices, art reception, and activism through art.

Featuring eighty color illustrations, Yoko Ono & John Lennon brings to life not only the urgency and spirit of Ono’s work, but also her belief in the importance of non-violent action to inspire political and social change.

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In the last five decades, the popularity of outsider art—that is, pieces by artists working outside of the artistic establishment—has grown exponentially, to the point that these powerful works have been embraced by museums, galleries, and the public worldwide. Victor Keen’s collection of more than 250 works at the Bethany Mission Gallery in Philadelphia is one of the premier outsider art collections in the United States.

Gathering masterful artworks from Keen’s collection, Outsider & Vernacular Art presents pieces from more than forty outsider artists, including such luminaries as James Castle, Thornton Dial, Sam Doyle, Howard Finster, William Hawkins, Martín Ramírez, Bill Traylor, and George Widener. In addition to these outsider artworks, the book also features folk art and vernacular art, including one of the best collections of delightful colorful Catlin radios from the 1920s to the 1940s. The more than two hundred color images of these works are accompanied by essays from Frank Maresca, Edward Gómez, and Lyle Rexer, with contributions from Alejandra Russi.

Published to accompany a major exhibition at the Sangre de Cristo Arts and Conference Center in Pueblo, Colorado, in October 2019—the first of a traveling exhibition—Outsider & Vernacular Art offers an exciting look at this universally beloved and revered artform.

Victor Keen owns one of the world’s largest collections of outsider art. Frank Maresca is cofounder of Ricco/Maresca Gallery, New York. Edward Gómez is a journalist, critic, curator, and senior editor of Raw Vision magazine. Lyle Rexer is a curator, educator, and author of How to Look at Outsider Art, among other publications.
Widely considered the most influential art movement of the twentieth century, cubism revolutionized European painting and sculpture, challenging Renaissance depictions of space by depicting figures as dynamic arrangements of volumes and planes. Tracing the growth of cubism between 1908 and 1919, The Cubist Cosmos reveals the movement’s enormous stylistic range and its revolutionary potential for the art that would follow, as well as the way representatives of the avant-garde adopted and transformed its pictorial language.

In chronologically and thematically devised chapters, The Cubist Cosmos demonstrates how the influence of folk art, archaic sculpture, and the works of Paul Cézanne became increasingly evident in the paintings of Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque. As the book shows, crystalline and geometric elements began to appear in 1908, followed by the domination of cubism’s characteristic prismatically fragmented forms and an almost colorless austerity through 1911. The authors then follow this new pictorial language as it was taken up by artists like Juan Gris, Fernand Léger, Robert and Sonia Delaunay, and Henri Le Fauconnier, who expanded and displayed it in large formats in the salon exhibitions of the Paris art world.

Lavishly illustrated with more than three hundred color images, The Cubist Cosmos is sure to become one of the standard works on cubism.

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Caillebotte
Painter and Patron of Impressionism

With its almost life-sized figures and unconventional perspective, Paris Street, Rainy Day by Gustave Caillebotte (1848–1894) was presented in 1877 at the third impressionist exhibition. It became not only one of the artist’s principal works, but also an icon of the impressionist movement. While the French painter and collector produced more realistic works than many in the group, Caillebotte became one of the most important patrons of impressionism, supporting many of his fellow artists and friends, including Claude Monet, Auguste Renoir, and Camille Pissarro.

Caillebotte sheds new light on Paris Street, Rainy Day in the context of Caillebotte’s innovative artistic work, introducing him as a driving force in the establishment of impressionism and describing his intense exchanges with fellow artists. The book also depicts Caillebotte’s personal interpretation of impressionism—one of striking directness and with sections of bold imagery—and his activities as a patron of art. Coming as he did from an upper-class Parisian family, Caillebotte was able to help finance exhibitions and, as a collector, attempted to establish impressionist works in public collections.

Featuring eighty color illustrations of the works of Caillebotte and others, this book is a compelling look at a central player of the impressionist movement.

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Featuring Jupiter, Mercury, Philemon, and Baucis, *Great Landscape with a Tempest* is one of Peter Paul Rubens’s largest and most dramatic landscapes. The painting shows a stream that has flooded fields and broken trees after a storm, decimating the landscape in spite of the clearing skies and beginnings of a rainbow appearing in the corner. The storm occurred due to the wrath of Jupiter and Mercury, who came to earth and were only offered hospitality by Philemon and Baucis, thus ensuring their rescue from the punishment of the floods. This painting, evidently produced for pleasure, remained in Rubens’s possession until his death.

Exploring the far-reaching discoveries made about the painting during the latest restoration, *Rubens’s Great Landscape with a Tempest* offers comprehensive insight into Rubens’s working method, the creation process of this fascinating picture, and the painting’s art-historical interpretation. The most recent restoration revealed that Rubens changed the painting several times, only adding the story of Philemon and Baucis at the end. Along with the complex composition and creation of the painting, the book discusses the restoration procedures and the work’s classification in art history. The editors also bring to light considerations of Rubens’s portrayal of nature and the outstanding position of *Great Landscape with a Tempest* in European landscape painting.

Including one hundred color images of the painting and its restoration, *Rubens’s Great Landscape with a Tempest* is a fascinating, detailed look at a great masterpiece.

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Turner
The Sea and the Alps

The extensive travels of J. M. W. Turner (1775–1851) through Britain and continental Europe provided an inexhaustible source of inspiration for his visionary color compositions, imaginative landscapes, and turbulent, often violent marine paintings. In Switzerland, he experienced both the beauty and the menace of the Alps, while by the sea, he observed the colorful harmonies of diffuse light. These experiences laid the groundwork for Turner to elevate landscape painting to an eminence that rivaled history painting. But how did he get there?

Presenting this incomparably original artist on his route to autonomy in art, Turner traces the London artist’s travels as he extended his search for motifs to Central Europe during the continent’s temporary peace in 1802. He spent much time journeying through the mountains of Switzerland, constantly sketching his impressions of the scenes around him. Upon his return to London, he developed the unique imagery of his sublime landscape paintings. Through one hundred color illustrations that tell a story about the forces of nature of the sea and the Swiss mountain landscapes, the authors here examine the change Turner brought to the portrayal of the sublime and the subject of weather phenomena. Other essays explore Turner’s role as the forerunner of modernism and reflect on the relationship between the artist and travel.

Bringing together the symphony of colors that composed Turner’s view of Switzerland’s awe-inspiring landscapes, this book sheds new light on the artist’s vision of the Alps and the sea.

Kunstmuseum Luzern is one of Switzerland’s leading art museums.
Born in Russia in 1860, Marianne von Werefkin was a shrewd free thinker and hostess, as can be seen by the salon she began in the Schwabing district of Munich at the beginning of the twentieth century. Here, she assembled famous artists such as Wassily Kandinsky, Gabriele Münter, Alfred Kubin, Adolf Erbslöh, Erma Bossi, Franz Marc, and August Macke. But Werefkin was also a talented artist in her own right. In this beautifully illustrated book, Brigitte Salmen delves into Werefkin’s work, restoring her place as one of the pioneering artists of expressionism.

Salmen explores Werefkin’s early works from Russia and follows her as she returned to her own art after a long break, during which she sought to further the work of her companion, Alexej Jawlensky. In 1906 after a decade away from her art, Werefkin began painting once more, creating fascinating works in a new, expressive style—the results of her sojourns in the region around the picturesque town of Murnau, Germany, where she often visited with Jawlensky, Münter, and Kandinsky. With these artists, she was an important forerunner and co-founder of the Munich New Artist’s Association, and Salmen traces Werefkin’s powerful influence on the development of the “Blauer Reiter,” or Blue Rider. Finally, Salmen examines Werefkin’s lesser-known later works, which she created in Ascona, Switzerland, where she lived in exile until she died in 1938.

An important look at the full life of this undervalued artist, Marianne von Werefkin is an essential book about a woman whose career staked out new ground for female painters.

Brigitte Salmen is the author or editor of several art publications. She was director of the Schlossmuseum Murnau, Germany, from 1989 to 2011.
The Brücke Museum in Berlin houses the world’s largest collection of works by the early twentieth-century expressionist movement Die Brücke, or The Bridge. Formed in Dresden by Fritz Bleyl, Erich Heckel, Ernst Ludwig Kirchner, and Karl Schmidt-Rottluff, this group had a major impact on the evolution of modern art. But as *Escape into Art?* reveals, they were also affected by the rise of Germany’s National Socialist party in the 1930s. Discussing in detail the everyday reality of the Brücke artists under National Socialism, this book takes a critical look at the fates and artistic practice of the movement’s former members in the years after 1933.

Explaining the measures carried out against Brücke members as a result of Nazi art policy, *Escape into Art?* describes how, in 1937, thousands of works by these artists were confiscated from German museums by National Socialist authorities and then shown in a traveling exhibition called “Degenerate Art.” Using numerous sources that have never before been studied, the authors examine not only how these acts affected the creative work and self-image of the painters themselves, but also today’s popular image of expressionism, its vilification as degenerate, and the creation of the Brücke artists’ legend after the end of the Second World War. How much scope for action was there, the book asks, and how should we evaluate the narratives of inner emigration and the zero hour today?

Including 180 color plates from the museum’s collection, *Escape into Art?* offers an in-depth exploration of the effects of National Socialism on Brücke artists and beyond.

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Austrian avant-garde artist Hermann Nitsch is known for his visceral performance art pieces—often based on the ritualistic practice of sacrifice—which he conceived after experiencing World War II as a child. His performances, however, are not his only contribution to the art world. Around 1960, he produced his first “splatter” painting, a form of action painting that is primarily concerned with the substance of the paint. Nitsch: Spaces of Color follows the artist through the development of his painterly works from the early 1960s to the present day, tracing his investigation of paint from one painting to the next.

Focusing on the characteristics of Nitsch’s various work cycles, the authors examine the artist’s first splatter paintings, his floor splatter paintings from the Red Cycle in 1995, the works from his Six-Day Play in 1989, and his yellow Resurrection Cycle in 2002. While one color dominates in Nitsch’s monochrome works, others reveal an explosion of colors. The paint, the authors show, is splattered, sprayed, or even possibly applied in liquid form or impasto. The essays also speculate that Nitsch may both use a paintbrush or smear the paint with his hands. Using 150 color images of these works, this book illustrates throughout that Nitsch’s focal point is the exploration of the state of the paint itself, which constantly varies between liquid and solid.

Marking Nitsch’s eightieth birthday, Nitsch: Spaces of Color is a fascinating exploration of this outstanding experimental artist.
An Austrian artist known for her painted self-portraits and theory of body awareness, Maria Lassnig (1919–2014) was the first female artist to win the Grand Austrian State Prize, in 1988. As part of the Hundsguppe, or “Dog Pack,” in the 1950s, she was influenced by abstract expressionism and action painting, as well as surrealist artists such as André Breton, who she met on a trip to Paris. But despite these influences, she was often ahead of the art of her time. Describing how Lassnig positioned herself in the art scene, this book provides a new perspective on the work of this multifaceted artist.

Structured both chronologically and thematically, Maria Lassnig encompasses the various media she worked in over the years, presenting her paintings, drawings, films, sculptures, and notebooks. The authors focus on the central topics of her creative work, such as her body awareness pictures, in which she explores the perception of her own body in relation to space, objects, and animals—a form of painting from the inside out, which defines the relationship between the artist and the world around her. Additionally, the book examines the new discoveries that have come to light in recent years during the examination of Lassnig’s estate, including various works which have rarely or never been exhibited.

Published in conjunction with what would have been the artist’s one hundredth birthday, this beautifully illustrated book is a comprehensive retrospective of this extraordinary woman artist.

Beatrice von Bormann is curator of art 1860–1960 at the Stedelijk Museum Amsterdam. Antonia Hoerschelmann is curator of modern and contemporary art at the Albertina, Vienna.
German artist Heinz Mack has left his mark on the world through both a pioneering contribution to the question of a new concept of art that has been of fundamental importance since the postwar period, and, along with Otto Piene, as the founder of the ZERO movement, an international artists’ network devoted to the topics of light and movement. This book offers the first overview of Mack’s philosophy of art as well as his multifaceted oeuvre.

A sculptor and painter for more than sixty years, Mack has created a wide-ranging body of work, starting with the ZERO period around 1960 and continuing in the present day. As this book shows, the essential aspects of his works—including the significance of light, structure, and color—are portrayed with often surprising perspectives. The authors accompany Mack in his constant search for a new concept of art, following him from ZERO through his legendary Sahara Project—a series of installations he made in the Tunisian desert from 1962 to 1976—to his light art and most recent paintings. Throughout, they discover little-known connections to minimal art, land art, Yves Klein, and Constantin Brancusi, among others. This journey through Mack’s rich oeuvre culminates in a look at his passionate plea for the “idea of beauty in the twenty-first century.”

Containing fifty color illustrations, Heinz Mack brings a fresh perspective to this artist’s extensive career.

Robert Fleck is an Austrian art historian, curator, and expert on the field of ZERO and the art of Heinz Mack. Antonia Lehmann-Tolkmitt is an art historian and head of an art consultancy.
The German painter, sculptor, and graphic artist Georg Baselitz became well known for his figurative, expressive paintings in the 1960s before beginning to paint his subjects upside down, striving to overcome the representational character of his earlier work. Drawing from myriad influences including Soviet era illustration art and African sculptures, he developed his own distinct artistic language. Thirty-one masterpieces from all his creative phases are now housed in Munich’s Bavarian State Painting Collections, whose outstanding profile in the international museum landscape is also characterized by works from Joseph Beuys, Dan Flavin, Donald Judd, and Fred Sandback.

This book analyzes for the first time the important paintings and sculptures by Baselitz within the context of the collection’s history, which has been shaped not only by the artist’s outstanding supporters and collectors, such as Duke Franz von Bayern, but also by the passionate commitment of the museum’s directors and curators. Carla Schulz-Hoffman begins this story in 1972, when *Sea Swallow* became the first work by Georg Baselitz to join the Bavarian State Painting Collections. As she demonstrates, this represented the first step toward the establishment of an epoch-making collection. With introductions by Bernhard Maaz and Corinna Thierolf, this extensive and wonderfully illustrated book brings to life five decades of work by this provocative German artist.

**Carla Schulz-Hoffman** is a German art historian.
Since the mid-1970s, Ericka Beckman has forged a signature visual language in film, installation, and photography. Often shot against black, spatially ambiguous backdrops, her moving image works are structured according to the logic of child’s play, games, folklore, or fairytale, and populated by archetypical characters and toy-like props in bright, primary colors. Throughout her work, Beckman engages with profound questions of gender, role-playing, competition, power, and control.

Accompanying an exhibition at the MIT List Visual Arts Center, which will include selected works spanning thirty years of her career, this book contextualizes Beckman’s practice within this major showing of her work—the first to fully survey her contribution in a US museum. With a foreword by Paul C. Ha and new essays by Attilia Fattori Franchini, Henriette Huldisch, and Piper Marshall, *Ericka Beckman* offers an art historical consideration of Beckman’s early Super-8 Films, as well as a critical look at her ongoing preoccupation with the structures of games, gambling, and capitalism.

Featuring thirty color illustrations, including photo-documentation of Beckman’s works since 1983 and installation views of the List Center exhibition, *Ericka Beckman* provides new insight into this inventive woman artist.

Fatimah Tuggar
Home’s Horizons
With a Foreword by Lisa Fischman

Born in Nigeria in 1967, multimedia artist Fatimah Tuggar interrogates the systems underlying human interactions with both high-tech gadgets and handmade crafts. Now based in Kansas City, Tuggar is renowned for her work that layers binary code with handmade craft, and her sculptures, photomontages, videos, and interactive works challenge romanticized notions of both ancient traditions and recent inventions.

In this book, a foreword by Lisa Fischman and essays by Amanda Gilvin, Delinda Collier, Nicole Fleetwood, and Jennifer Bajorek address Tuggar’s oeuvre within the confluence of the histories of conceptual, tech, and African art. As the authors show, Tuggar seeks through her work to promote social justice by implicating everyone in these systems of high-tech and handmade objects while playfully proposing new ways of seeing and making. Her work destabilizes the attachment to a single city, nation, or continent as a “home” in a world of migrants who may move between different kinds of home. This beautifully illustrated book also contains an interview with the artist, during which she reflects on the resonance of her early works and the goals of her new experiments in augmented reality.

Published to accompany Tuggar’s major solo exhibition at the Davis Museum at Wellesley College, Fatimah Tuggar is the first book to explore the work of one of the most original, incisive conceptual artists of the digital age.

Amanda Gilvin is assistant curator at the Davis Museum at Wellesley College.
Belgian-born photographer Benjamin Katz could well be called the official photographer of the European art scene. From Josef Beuys and Georg Baselitz to Gerhard Richter and Andy Warhol, not a single painter, sculptor, or even art critic has escaped his lens, offering a glimpse into the creative process and the faces behind the artworks. But how did this now famous artist become a photographer in the first place?

This book provides the first complete documentation of Katz’s Berlin Havelhöhe photographs. Today the Clinic for Anthroposophical Medicine, Berlin Havelhöhe was in 1960 the hospital where Katz stayed while ill with tuberculosis. During the year and a half he was there, Katz produced an extensive collection of photographs, which comprised his beginnings as a photographer and his interest in the photography of the modern age, and served as an artistic documentation of the location itself. The hospital in Berlin Havelhöhe took over the building in the 1950s, but it had originally been erected as the National Socialist State Academy for Aviation, training the pilots who attacked Guernica in 1934 as part of the Condor Legion. When it became a hospital, it cared for patients from all walks of society—both Nazis and those they persecuted.

Illustrated with almost eighty of Katz’s photographs from this period, this book not only brings to light the patients’ everyday routine and lingering traces of National Socialism at the hospital, but also offers a look at how Katz began his now-prolific career.

Barbara Engelbach is curator and head of the collection of contemporary art, photography, and media art at the Museum Ludwig in Cologne, Germany.
Aenne Biermann (1898–1933) is regarded as one of the most important avant-garde photographers of the twentieth century. Together with Bauhaus artists such as Lucia Moholy and Florence Henri, she was represented in the pioneering exhibitions of the late 1920s and early 1930s. Then, in 1930, art critic and Biermann’s early patron Franz Roh dedicated to her a legendary monograph designed by Jan Tschichold, *Aenne Biermann. 60 Photos*. This classic work is now finally being made available once more, accompanied by commentary from photo historian and Biermann expert Hans-Michael Koetzle.

As early as 1928, Roh was referring to Biermann as a “remarkable” photo artist who was attracting the attention of experts with her close-up pictures of plants. In the following years, Biermann, an autodidact of photography, became an important artist in photographic modernism. Her works created a haunting and aesthetically fascinating pictorial world filled with close-up views, extreme detail shots, and lighting contrasts. She mostly found her motifs in her immediate vicinity—in addition to the numerous still lifes with everyday objects and nature, she repeatedly photographed her children, their object world, and their activities. Many of these originals were lost during the Second World War, including the sixty photos in this book.

Published to mark the Bauhaus jubilee in 2019, this book is an incredible tribute to a great woman artist of the modern age.

**Hans-Michael Koetzle** is a Munich-based writer, curator, and photo historian and the author of *Kennedy in Berlin*. 
The field of architectural photography, long rooted in realistic depictions, has begun to see a dramatic shift in approach. Today, traditional styles of photographic representation are giving way to a new form of individualized reality, as advances in technology and techniques open new avenues for manipulating images. *Fiction and Fabrication*, which accompanies an exhibition at the Museum of Art, Architecture, and Technology in Lisbon, explores this trend via a range of contemporary works by some of the world’s most celebrated artists.

These essays highlight the power of digital photography and software like Photoshop to offer one-of-a-kind portraits of modern urban landscapes. The artists discussed include Doug Aitken, Beate Gütschow, Hans Op de Beeck, Hiroshi Sugimoto, Wolfgang Tillmans, and Jeff Wall, among many others. From imaginary buildings to real architecture that at times appears more fantastic than fiction, the art reflects the fresh visual energies that architectural photography can channel in our post-digital age.

Beautifully illustrated with one hundred color images, *Fiction and Fabrication* takes an engaging look at the intersection of fine art and architectural design. At the same time, the book encourages us to reevaluate the places around us and appreciate all that is—and could be—just before our eyes.

**Pedro Gadanho** is an architect and the director of the Museum of Art, Architecture, and Technology in Lisbon.
Architects Frank Gehry and Hans Scharoun (1893–1972) never met in person during Scharoun’s lifetime, yet two of their most famous buildings are intimately linked: Gehry’s Walt Disney Concert Hall, completed in Los Angeles in 2003, and Scharoun’s 1963 concert hall for the Berlin Philharmonic. Although constructed thousands of miles and decades apart from each other, the two buildings, located in what are now sister cities, share striking visual features, such as the combination of bold peaks with graceful sweeping curves. This catalog for a recent exhibition at the Stiftung Brandenburger Tor in Berlin takes the two concert halls as a jumping-off point to examine Scharoun’s influence on Gehry and uncover elements common to their work.

As Frank Gehry—Hans Scharoun shows, Scharoun’s expressionist approach provided inspiration for Gehry’s deconstructivist masterpiece in Los Angeles. Furthermore, Scharoun’s importance for understanding Gehry’s work is evident not only in Gehry’s finished buildings, but also in his architectural fantasies for and continued engagement with the city of Berlin: Gehry once entered the competition to revitalize part of Berlin’s Museum Island and later designed the DZ Bank Building and the Pierre Boulez Hall in the Barenboim-Said Academy. Assembling essays, interviews, and other documents—including previously unpublished material from Gehry’s Los Angeles studio—this richly illustrated volume shines new light on the ties between two of the most important architects of the twentieth century.

Barbara Nierhoff-Wielk is head of exhibitions and publications at the Stiftung Brandenburger Tor in Berlin, where Evelyn Wöldicke is a research assistant in the exhibitions department.
Architects on Architects

Architects on Architects is a collection of essays and interviews rooted in one fascinating premise: What do the architects of today have to say about their predecessors?

Based on a series of lectures organized by the Department of Architecture at the Technical University of Munich, this volume explores how architects from previous generations have influenced present-day professionals in the field. The essays touch on the relevance of historical concepts as they have been transmitted across generations and the ways in which today’s architects have used—and at times re-shaped—those concepts to suit contemporary needs. The stimulating discussions involve, among others, Arno Lederer on Sigurd Lewerentz, Hans Kollhoff on Oswald Mathias Ungers, Tom Emerson on Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, Mario Botta on Louis I. Kahn and Carlo Scarpa, and Donatella Fioretti on Walter Gropius and László Maholy-Nagy.

More than a celebration of the past and the outstanding architects of today, Architects on Architects asks us to take a fresh look at the culture of the discipline and the transfer of ideas that has shaped that culture across time and space.

Dietrich Fink is professor of urban architecture at the Technical University of Munich, where Uta Graff is professor of architectural design and conception, Nils Rostek is a research associate for architectural design and conception, and Julian Wagner is a research associate for urban architecture.
In 1923, the Bauhaus introduced itself to the public via an exhibition staged at an astonishing site: the Haus Am Horn, designed specifically for the show. Today, the house is the only surviving example of Bauhaus architecture in Weimar. In **Haus Am Horn**, editors Anke Blümm and Martina Ullrich present the at times tumultuous history of this architectural landmark.

When it first opened, the Haus Am Horn was a marvel: the different workshops of the Bauhaus school had closely collaborated to outfit the building with self-designed furniture, textiles, lights, and the latest household equipment. Every detail was intended to address the question of how people would and could live in the future. Then, from 1924 until well into the 1990s, the house served as a private residence, undergoing changes that left few of the interior furnishings intact. Today, however, the Haus Am Horn has been restored and has begun a new chapter of life as part of the UNESCO World Heritage Site “Bauhaus and Its Sites in Weimar, Dessau, and Bernau.” With this beautifully illustrated book in hand, visitors to the Haus Am Horn will better appreciate its storied past and vibrant legacy.

**Anke Blümm** is a research assistant at the Bauhaus Museum Weimar. **Martina Ullrich** is a research assistant at the Klassik Stiftung Weimar’s museums.
Bauhaus Museum Weimar
The Bauhaus Comes from Weimar!
Edited by ULRIKE BESTGEN and UTE ACKERMANN

The year 1919 saw the founding of the legendary Bauhaus school in Weimar. This richly illustrated book, which accompanies the historic opening of the new Bauhaus Museum Weimar, showcases iconic objects from the museum’s collection—the oldest such collection in the world—and offers essential context for understanding the truth behind the myth of the Bauhaus.

The entries in this volume discuss core concepts of the period, such as the New Man and the design of everyday life. Throughout, the reader finds echoes of a simple question, one that is as pressing today as when the first members of the school posed it: “How do we want to live?” Importantly, the ideals of the Bauhaus school are discussed here with an eye to their current global relevance. In addition, the book traces the history of the Bauhaus Museum Weimar itself, opening a valuable new chapter in the story of one of the most influential movements of the twentieth century.

Ulrike Bestgen is the director of the Bauhaus Museum Weimar. Ute Ackermann is a research assistant at the Bauhaus Museum Weimar.

Hans Döllgast, Karljosef Schattner, Josef Wiedemann
Creative Reconstruction
New Edition
WOLFGANG JEAN STOCK
With Photography by Klaus Kinold

The Bavarian architect Hans Döllgast (1891–1974) was accepted into the international canon of modern architecture quite late, but then remained a part of it all the longer. His most important achievements were his creative restorations of buildings in Munich after World War II, including the Alte Pinakothek, the Basilica of St. Boniface, and the city’s major municipal cemeteries.

Described by the architect himself as “a combination of undisputable avant-garde and reserved rear guard,” Döllgast’s work has always fascinated the Munich-based architectural photographer Klaus Kinold. The photographs in this richly illustrated volume are the product of Kinold’s deep admiration, paying tribute to Döllgast’s controversial restorations, which integrated new construction into historic surroundings in innovative ways. Taken in the 1980s, before the destruction of some of the architect’s buildings, these photographs are also now historic works in their own right.

This revised and enhanced edition puts photography into insightful dialogue with historically significant architecture and brilliantly showcases the architect’s visionary buildings.

Wolfgang Jean Stock is a coeditor for the magazine Architektur Aktuell, and his work has been published in Bauwelt, the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, the Süddeutsche Zeitung, and others. Klaus Kinold is a German architectural photographer and founder of the journal K3 Neues. He is also the editor of the third publication of the series Carlo Scarpa. La Tomba Brion San Vito D’Altivole also published by Hirmer publishers.
German architect Egon Eiermann (1904–70) designed a number of intriguing postwar structures, such as the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church in Berlin and the chancery for the German embassy in Washington, DC. This book explores the history of Eiermann’s last major project, the Olivetti towers, a unique pair of high-rise buildings in Frankfurt am Main.

The Olivetti firm produced office machinery that has since come to enjoy cult status in the field of design, and during the postwar years, the company was run by an Italian family that valued not only high-quality products, but also high-quality architecture. Accordingly, Roberto Olivetti commissioned Eiermann, a famous representative of German modernism, to create the German branch offices. For Eiermann, the project would mark a high point in his career, and this book presents that culmination with engaging text by historian Wolfgang Pehnt and numerous illustrations by Klaus Kinold, a former student of the great architect.

Wolfgang Pehnt is an architectural historian and critic based in Cologne. Klaus Kinold is an architectural photographer and the founder of the journal KS Neues. He has contributed photography to multiple books, including Hans Döllgast: Creative Reconstruction and Rudolf Schwarz: Church Architecture, both published by Hirmer.
A love of color has driven Reinhard Ernst’s activities as an art collector for the past thirty years. *Dazzled by Color* offers a lavishly illustrated overview of 160 artworks from his collection, including exceptional abstract expressionist paintings from Europe, Japan, and the United States.

The more than 130 artists represented in this book include Katharina Grosse, Robert Motherwell, Jackson Pollock, Kazuo Shiraga, Pierre Soulages, Frank Stella, and Atsuko Tanaka. Particular focus is paid to Hubert Berke and Helen Frankenthaler, Japanese artists from the Gutai group, and the practitioners of and successors to the *art informel* movement. In all, the extraordinary collection boasts art from the postwar period up to the present day.

The Museum Reinhard Ernst in Wiesbaden, Germany, designed by star architect Fumihiko Maki and currently slated to open in 2021, will soon showcase Ernst’s collection of abstract expressionist art. This book offers a tantalizing early glimpse of the exhibition—with two hundred color plates and engaging commentary, *Dazzled by Color* will heighten anticipation by bringing a taste of the museum experience to readers wherever they may be.

*The Reinhard and Sonja Ernst Stiftung*, established in 2004, supports various projects in the arts and culture, including the construction of the Museum Reinhard Ernst in Wiesbaden, Germany.
Edited by FRANK VORPHAL

Georg Forster
The South Seas at Wörlitz

At the tender age of seventeen, naturalist Georg Forster (1754–94) embarked with the famous Captain James Cook on a voyage around the world. During the trip, Forster explored recently discovered regions, including New Zealand, New Caledonia, Tahiti, and Tonga. Shortly after his return in 1775, Forster met in London with Prince Franz and Princess Louise of Anhalt-Dessau. There, Forster presented them with numerous Polynesian objects, which returned with the royal couple to the German town of Wörlitz.

Today, amid resurgent interest in Forster and his work, those items, now known as the South Seas collection, are available to the public as part of Germany’s first permanent Forster exhibition. Brimming with full-color images, Georg Forster is the catalog for the exhibition, which is housed in the palace of the Garden Kingdom of Dessau-Wörlitz, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This book bursts to life with photographs, historic paintings, and drawings, as well as lively quotations by Forster and his contemporaries. From the grass skirt of a Tahitian dancer to maces from Tonga to an axe of jade-green nephrite from New Zealand, Georg Forster provides new perspectives on these priceless artifacts and vividly brings back to life Forster and Cook’s momentous voyage.

Frank Vorpahl is a German historian and a journalist for the German television station ZDF.
Modernisms
Iranian, Turkish, and Indian Highlights from NYU’s Abby Weed Grey Collection
Edited by LYNN GUMPERT

Modernisms is the first book to offer a crosscultural exploration of modern art from Iran, Turkey, and India. Focusing on select works from the Abby Weed Grey Collection of Modern Asian and Middle Eastern Art at New York University, the contributions here discuss significant pieces from the 1960s and early 1970s. Along the way, Modernisms outlines a welcome alternative to the long-dominant focus on North American and western European art.

With nearly seven hundred artworks, the Abby Weed Grey Collection represents the largest institutional assemblage of modern Iranian and Turkish art outside of Iran and Turkey as well as the most important trove of modern Indian art in an American university museum. Modernisms, which accompanies an exhibition at NYU’s Grey Art Gallery, introduces paintings, sculptures, drawings, and prints from the three countries along with biographical narratives on the artists. More than one hundred color illustrations make the book an authoritative visual resource.

Featuring fresh scholarship from a range of voices, among them Fereshteh Daftari, Shiva Balaghi, Susan Hapgood, and Ranjit Hoskote, Modernisms powerfully argues for the importance of nonwestern art as a component of modernity—and defies the long-held belief that other forms of modernism can only be second-rate.

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Exhibition Schedule
◆ Grey Art Gallery
New York University
New York, NY
September 10–December 7, 2019

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The Reconstruction of Berlin Palace
Façade, Architecture and Sculpture
Edited by STIFTUNG HUMBOLDT FORUM IM BERLINER SCHLOSS
With Contributions by Franco Stella and Photography by Leo Seidel

The Berlin Palace in the heart of the German capital experienced a traumatic past: heavily bombed during World War II, the baroque-style royal residence was demolished several years later. Yet in a reversal of fortune, the building has since undergone reconstruction, and 2019 marks the date of its reopening as the home of the Humboldt Forum museum. Illustrated in full color and with contributions by Franco Stella, the architect behind the rebuilding, this volume offers the story of the resurrected palace.

As the first comprehensive overview of the massive architectural undertaking, The Reconstruction of Berlin Palace offers an in-depth account by experts who were directly involved in the process. They discuss a range of topics, from the decorative sandstone in the façade to the artisanal techniques that enabled the reproduction. The new structure serves as an arresting focal point for the grand avenue Unter den Linden and is a monument both to the original palace and to the modern, vibrant city that has evolved around its replacement.

The Stiftung Humboldt Forum im Berliner Schloss is the owner and operator of the Humboldt Forum, a museum based in Berlin.
There Where You Are Not
Selected Writings of Kamal Boullata
Edited and with an Introduction by FINBARR BARRY FLOOD
Essays by Kamal Boullata

There Where You Are Not brings together the writings of celebrated Palestinian artist and theorist Kamal Boullata. Produced over the course of four decades while Boullata lived in exile in Europe, North Africa, and the United States, many of these texts appear here in English for the very first time.

The experience of exile and the power of resistance permeate the essays, which range from autobiographical musings to deliberations on contemporary art, from views on gender relations to ideas on identity and the globalizing world. Collectively, Boullata’s writings explore intersections between aesthetics, history, and politics that are central to understanding the history of Palestinian art and the many ways in which that history can be conceived. With more than fifty color illustrations, this book makes accessible the thoughts of a key figure in Middle Eastern modernism.


Uninterrupted Fugue
Art by Kamal Boullata
Edited and with an Introduction by BURCU DOGRAMACI
Essays by Abdelkebir Khatibi, Gerard Xuriguera, José Miguel Puerta Vílchez, Jean Fisher, Mel Gooding, Dorothea Schöne, Omar Kholeif, Burcu Dogramaci, Hans Belting, Elizabeth Key Fowden.

Uninterrupted Fugue offers a selection of critical essays on the art of Palestinian artist Kamal Boullata. Written by an international constellation of critics, art historians, and museum curators, these works reveal a wide range of perspectives on art and exile, modernity and tradition.

The contributors include Abdelkebir Khatibi, Gerard Xuriguera, Dorothea Schöne, Omar Kholeif, and Hans Belting, among others. Exploring Boullata’s artistic trajectory over forty years, they examine his revolutionary technique of blending temporally and geographically disparate elements into thought-provoking works of universal appeal. Readers interested in contemporary art beyond the western canon will find in this lavishly illustrated book rare insights into an aesthetic where the boundary between verbal and visual expression is surprisingly permeable, and the hallmarks of modernism mingle with conventions from Byzantine and Islamic art.

Burcu Dogramaci is professor of art history at the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München.
Peter Weber
Volume I: Structure and Folding
Volume II: Catalogue Raisonné 1968–2018
Edited by AGATHE WEISHAUP and MAXIMILIAN WEISHAUP

The three-dimensional artworks of Peter Weber reflect a stunning technique: each work is created from a single piece of material that is intricately folded—all without making a single cut to the material’s surface. Now, after an astonishing fifty-year career, the artist is receiving fresh recognition for his brilliance in the form of the two-volume catalogue raisonné Peter Weber.

Weber’s artistic path reveals a strong affinity for abstraction and the principle of wholeness. After studying design at the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Weber focused on concrete art. His early work as a painter was influenced by op art and imaginary space, but he soon became fascinated with the mathematical possibilities inherent in the technique of folding. In addition to felt and paper, Weber folds a variety of other materials, such as linen, cotton, plastic, and even steel.

The first volume of the catalogue raisonné, Structure and Folding, outlines seven major groupings within Weber’s body of work and contextualizes them with explanatory essays. The second volume, Catalogue Raisonné 1968–2018, lists Weber’s more than 1,700 works in chronological order. With over fifteen hundred color illustrations, these two volumes stand as the most authoritative source on Weber to date.

Koho Mori-Newton
No Intention
Edited by KARL BORROMÄUS MURR

The German-based Japanese artist Koho Mori-Newton (b. 1951) is the master of what could be called an intentionless lack of intention: his works may on first glance appear simple and straightforward, but the aesthetic underlying them is exceptionally complex. This catalog for a recent exhibition at the State Textile and Industry Museum Augsburg explores an assortment of Mori-Newton’s art from the past thirty-five years, highlighting the minimalist and radical core of his works.

Time and again Mori-Newton investigates the very foundation of art, questioning the concept of originality in the artistic process and testing the boundaries of artworks. His oeuvre lures viewers into a world that exists beyond the obvious. Path of Silk, for example, a labyrinthine installation of floor-to-ceiling silk panels marked with China ink, presents a fragile interplay of space and light that brings art into unexpected dialogue with architecture. Mori-Newton also experiments with repetition and the act of copying, a focus that lends his graphic pieces particular charm. Koho Mori-Newton, a visually striking celebration of the artist and his work, will appeal to all fans of Asian and contemporary art.

Karl Borromäus Murr is the director of the State Textile and Industry Museum Augsburg and an instructor for European ethnology and cultural anthropology at the University of Augsburg. He is the author of Beate Passow: Monkey Business and Phoenix: Fashion Worlds of Stephan Hann, both published by Hirmer.

Agathe and Maximilian Weishaupt are Munich-based architects and art collectors.
Ongoing use of fossil fuels, the development of industrial zones in city centers, and even our growing reliance on air conditioners have led to extreme climate swings. Now an urgent public concern, global warming alarms ever more people—and yet most of them still hesitate to identify a workable plan of action. Approaching the problem head-on, Solar Guerilla highlights a number of programs, architects, and companies that are already active in such cities as Chicago, Hong Kong, Shanghai, and Tel Aviv.

In a series of case studies, this book focuses on efficient strategies implemented at the local level, where collaboration within communities may be the key to effectively combating environmental damage. As companies like China’s Turenscape and Israel’s Elec treon thrive alongside programs such as Chicago’s Third Nature approach to its famous riverwalk, the local efforts begin to yield global results. As Solar Guerilla demonstrates, these and other initiatives may be the best way to counter the emotional fatigue and physical disasters that currently plague us in our all-too-rapidly-changing urban environment.

Maya Vinitsky is associate curator for architecture and design at the Tel Aviv Museum of Art and a senior lecturer for industrial design at the Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design in Jerusalem. She is the author of 3.5 Square Meters: Constructive Responses to Natural Disasters, also published by Hirmer.

Armor & Ornament

CHRISTOPHER LEE MILES

Armor & Ornament turns away from the popular trends of contemporary poetry, calling instead upon traditional and Biblical forms. Rather than drawing on recent styles and modern trends, Christopher Miles looks to the texts that have inspired artists for millennia. These are Christian poems that have a deep and unapologetic understanding of God’s world, and they explore, with steady faith, all sides of this world.

As a military veteran, Miles also centers his poetry amongst war. Through tone and voice, warfare permeates these poems, providing poetry that relies less on the traditional, Christian tension of doubt and shaken faith than on the inherent tension of a broken world. This resonant new collection melds deep-rooted spirituality with contemporary tensions, offering modern psalms for a tumultuous and uncertain age.

Christopher Lee Miles grew up on a farm in southeastern Minnesota, served four years in the United States Navy, and obtained an MFA from the University of Alaska Fairbanks. He lives and works in Fairbanks.
The growth of modern-day Alaska began with the Klondike gold discovery in 1896. Over the course of the next two decades, as prospectors, pioneers, and settlers rushed in, Alaska developed its agricultural and mineral resources, birthed a structure of highway and railroad transportation, and founded the Alaska cities we know today. All this activity occurred alongside the Progressive Age in American politics. It was a time of widespread reform, as Progressive politicians took on the powerful business trusts and enacted sweeping reforms to protect workers and consumers.

Alaska in the Progressive Age looks at how this national movement affected the Alaska territory. Though the reigning view is that Alaska was neglected and even abused by the federal government, Alton argues that from 1896 to 1916 the territory benefitted richly in the age of Progressive Democracy. As the population of Alaska grew, Congress responded to the needs of the nation’s northern possession, giving the territory a delegate to Congress, a locally elected legislature, and ultimately in 1914, the federally funded Alaska Railroad.

Much has been written about the development of modern-day Alaska, especially in terms of the Gold Rush and the origins of the Alaska Railroad. But this is the first history to put this era in the context of Progressive Age American politics. This unexplored look at how Progressivism reached the furthest corners of the United States is an especially timely book as the Progressive Movement shows signs of affecting Alaska again.

Thomas Alton worked as an editor at the Alaska Native Language Center at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. Now retired, he continues to live and write in Fairbanks. He contributed to The Tanana Chiefs: Native Rights and Western Law, also from the University of Alaska Press.
Lobbying is about getting the right message to the right people in the right form at the right time. Even the most persuasive arguments or most influential groups will come up short if they aren’t combined with personal connections and an understanding of human nature. How to Lobby Alaska State Government is a guide to the essentials of organizing and implementing a lobbying campaign in Alaska that recognizes how you lobby is as important as who you lobby.

This book starts by helping new lobbyists to think politically, by explaining the structure and operation of state government, the psychology and needs of public officials, and where the power lies in Juneau—who’s got political clout. It then moves into the nitty-gritty of a lobbying campaign, covering the basics of group influence, campaign planning and management, the pros and cons of various group tactics, tips on face-to-face meetings, and the challenges of lobbying day to day. In addition to extensive guidance on what to do, this book also emphasizes the things to avoid that will undermine or eliminate a lobbyist’s chances of success. Pragmatic and portable, this book will be valuable to new and professional lobbyists both, and anyone looking for fresh perspectives on this important business.

Clive S. Thomas is a senior fellow at the Thomas S. Foley Institute for Public Policy and Public Service at Washington State University. He spent thirty years in Alaska teaching politics and consulting for many lobby groups. Thomas is the author of Alaska Politics and Public Policy: The Dynamics of Beliefs, Institutions, Personalities, and Power, also published by the University of Alaska Press.

The Making of an Ecologist
My Career in Alaska Wildlife Management and Conservation
DAVID R. KLEIN
Edited by Karen Brewster

This is an innovative and collaborative life history of one of Alaska’s pioneering wildlife biologists. David R. Klein has been a leader in promoting habitat studies across wildlife research in Alaska, and this is his first-hand account of how science and biological fieldwork has been carried out in Alaska in the last sixty years. This book tells the stories of how Klein did his science and the inspiration behind the research, while exposing the thinking that underlies particular scientific theories. In addition, this book shows the evolution of Alaska’s wildlife management regimes from territorial days to statehood to the era of big oil.

The first portion of the book is comprised of stories from Klein’s life collected during oral history interviews, while the latter section contains essays written by Klein about philosophical topics of importance to him, such as eco-philosophy, the definition of wilderness, and the morality of hunting.

Many of Klein’s graduate students have gone on to become successful wildlife managers themselves, in Alaska and around the globe. Through The Making of an Ecologist, Klein’s outlook, philosophy, and approach toward sustainability, wildlife management, and conservation can now inspire even more readers to ensure the survival of our fragile planet in an ever-changing global society.

David R. Klein is professor emeritus at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. He was leader of the Alaska Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks from 1962 until 1991, and then a senior scientist with the unit until his retirement in 1997. He is the author of more than 125 published articles, papers, and book chapters. Karen Brewster is a research associate with the Oral History Program at the Elmer E. Rasmuson Library, University of Alaska Fairbanks.
For centuries, the Akulmiut people—a Yup’ik group—have been sustained by the annual movements of whitefish. It is a food that sustains and defines them. To this day, many Akulmiut view their actions in the world, as well as their interactions with each other, as having a direct and profound effect on these fish. Not only are fish viewed as responding to human action and intention in many contexts, but the lakes and rivers fish inhabit are likewise viewed as sentient beings, with the ability to respond both positively and negatively to those who travel there.

This bilingual book details the lives of the Akulmiut living in the lake country west of Bethel, Alaska, in the villages of Kasigluk, Nunapitchuk, and Atmautluak. Akulmiut Neqait is based in conversations recorded with the people of these villages as they talk about their uniquely Yup’ik view of the world and how it has weathered periods of immense change in southwest Alaska. While many predicted that globalization would sound the death knoll for many distinctive traditions, these conversations show that Indigenous people all over the planet have sought to appropriate the world in their own terms. For all their new connectedness, the continued relevance of traditional admonitions cannot be denied.

Ann Fienup-Riordan has lived and worked in Alaska since 1973. She has written and edited more than twenty books on Yup’ik history and oral traditions. Her most recent book with the University of Alaska Press is Quenemict Amllertut/Many Stories to Tell: Tales of Humans and Animals from Southwest Alaska. Marie Meade is a fluent Yup’ik speaker and an expert translator. She teaches Yup’ik at the University of Alaska Anchorage. Alice Rearden is a fluent Yup’ik speaker, and the primary translator and oral historian for the Alaska Council for Exceptional Children.
Creative Chicago
An Interview Marathon

On September 29, 2018, before a live audience at Navy Pier in Chicago, international curator Hans Ulrich Obrist conducted his first marathon interview session in the United States as part of Art Design Chicago, a yearlong celebration of Chicago’s art and design legacy initiated by the Terra Foundation for American Art. Obrist, who has undertaken a lifelong project of interviewing cultural figures, spoke with more than twenty of Chicago’s most innovative and influential artists, designers, architects, writers, and other creatives. In their interviews, this diverse group of creatives provided insights into their artistic processes, influences, and ideas about and hopes for their shared city of Chicago. Among the participants were social practice artist/developer Theaster Gates, architect Jeanne Gang, writer Eve L. Ewing, Hairy Who artists Art Green and Suellen Rocca, performance/installation artist Shani Crowe, and the city’s cultural historian Tim Samuelson. Creative Chicago: An Interview Marathon serves as documentation for this event, including edited transcripts of the interviews, biographies of the participants, photos of the event, and images of the artists’ work.

Hans Ulrich Obrist is artistic director of the Serpentine Galleries, London, and has curated more than three hundred exhibitions. As part of “The Interview Project,” he has been organizing interview marathons since 2005. Alison Cuddy is the Marilynn Thoma Artistic Director of the Chicago Humanities Festival.

“Obrist’s interview marathons allow those who converge within the multiple intersections of creativity to offer a first-person account of what motivates and inspires their work and process, demystifying an often hazy and mushy notion.”
—Lee Ann Norman, New City
Born in New York in 1941, Joel Shapiro is one of the most significant artists of his generation. Since the first public showing of his work in 1969 as part of the landmark Anti-Illusion: Procedures/Materials exhibition at the Whitney Museum of American Art, he has been the subject of numerous solo exhibitions in galleries and museums around the world.

Shapiro is most renowned for developing in the 1980s and ’90s a distinctive language of dynamic sculpture that blurs the lines between abstraction and figuration. But, he first became known through his earliest shows in New York in the 1970s for introducing common forms in often diminutive size—a chair, a house, a bird, a bridge—in large, formerly industrial gallery settings that altered one’s sense of scale, challenged the then-dominant severity of minimalism, and attempted to propose a more personal, emotionally laden mode of art that could directly engage with the human condition. Since then, he has continued to push the material and conceptual boundaries of sculpture—while also remaining active as an innovative draftsman and printmaker—by working in a number of materials and employing various working methods.

Joel Shapiro: Sculpture and Works on Paper 1969–2019 is the first book in more than twenty years to survey the artist’s entire working career. In an extensive essay, art historian Richard Shiff provides a fresh and incisive examination of Shapiro’s oeuvre and working process, illuminating the factors and forces that allow his work to remain ever in flux and unpredictable, cohesive and yet multifarious. With more than two hundred striking full-color illustrations, this is a long-anticipated and much-needed survey of this vital American artist.
Since 1986, Swiss Institute has been a driving force supporting experimental and emerging artists from around the world. Founded by Swiss expatriates to showcase the rapid changes to their home country’s culture, the institute soon expanded beyond its Helvetic roots to champion a diverse, international range of underrecognized art and artists.

In Since 1986, Swiss Institute looks back at its legacy three decades on as one of New York’s most forward-thinking nonprofit art spaces. It relays for the first time the comprehensive history of the institute through its exhibitions of art, graphic design, performance art, dance, and architecture and its many homes, leading up to its current location at 38 Saint Marks Place in the East Village, which it unveiled in 2018. Included in this volume are oral histories from key figures involved with Swiss Institute, including, past directors Ziba de Weck Ardalan, Arianne Braillard, Carin Kuoni, Annette Schindler, Marc-Olivier Wahler, and Gianni Jetzer, as well as current director Simon Castets. An essay by contemporary art scholar Mary Anne Staniszewski places the institute in the broader context of the history of New York, while a complete visual timeline of its groundbreaking program is woven throughout the book, featuring reproductions of art and installations, archival images, and ephemera, as well as more than twenty-five specially commissioned projects by a diverse range of contemporary artists including Christian Marclay, Dora Budor, Koo Jeong A, and Pipilotti Rist.

Chronicling Swiss Institute’s past as it moves into the future, Since 1986 is a must-read for those curious about the history of this important institution.

Simon Castets is director of Swiss Institute in New York since 2013. Karen Marta is a New York–based editorial consultant specializing in art books.
Those in the know are aware that Wes Anderson’s *Grand Budapest Hotel* has a real-life counterpart in the Swiss Alps: The Waldhaus Sils, which has pleased and puzzled visitors for 111 years and become an icon of Swiss hospitality. Located above the small village of Sils Maria near St. Moritz, it overlooks a striking landscape of forests, lakes, and mountains and offers a combination of Belle Epoque flair and modern comfort. Its distinctive charm comes from the fact that the Waldhaus has been family-owned and operated since its grand opening on June 15, 1908.

*111 Years of Waldhaus Sils* ranges across the hotel’s life and history. Founders Josef and Amalie Giger and their descendants, by now in the fifth generation, have guided the “house in the woods” with skill and fortitude through good times and bad, through the twentieth century and into the present. The owners and their exceptionally diverse guests—lively families side-by-side with intellectuals and artists of world renown—have created a unique blend of luxury and modesty, historic grandeur and playful fun, smooth professionalism and unexpected idiosyncrasies.

Brief essays look at the hotel’s history and the broader context in which it exists. The book also shines a light on colorful members of the family and their dreams and work, interspersed with conversations with people who have known them. Beautifully illustrated with newly commissioned and historic photographs and documents, it is a tantalizing glimpse into the life of an exceptional hotel in one of Europe’s most spectacular landscapes.

*Urs Kienberger* is the great-grandson of Josef and Amalie Giger, the founders of the Waldhaus Sils. With his sister Maria and her husband Felix Dietrich, he ran the hotel for twenty-five years until his retirement in 2014.
Flowers are a perennially popular motif throughout art history. And for good reason: Lush with texture and color, a living bouquet of blooms can be made to communicate much through the masterly brushstrokes of Vincent Van Gogh or Georgia O’Keeffe, in the hands of a skilled ikebana artist, or through the lens of contemporary photography.

For more than two decades, Swiss photographer Anna Halm Schudel has focused her eye on flowers, zooming in on calyces, pistils, and leaf veins to create exuberant feasts of colors. While celebrating the wide variety of shapes and sizes that nature and human cultivation have brought us, Schudel is no less fascinated by the process of decay. As the flowers fade, wilt, and wither, she transforms them under water into images of strange, compelling beauty, combining their delicate beauty with a stirring memento mori. Eighty strikingly beautiful color plates are complemented by two essays that examine Schudel’s symbolism and put her work in context with the history of the floral still life.

As exquisite as the subject itself, this beautifully designed large book is sure to inspire appreciation for this rising Swiss artist.

Anna Halm Schudel is a photographic artist who lives and works in Zurich.
For more than twelve years, Zurich-based artist Felix Studinka has been observing a chestnut tree near his home and capturing his impressions almost daily in small-format, charcoal drawings. Studinka’s Chestnut Journal represents an artist’s study of our relationship to the world and offers insight into his distinct way of seeing and his approach to reality and to his environment.

Published here for the first time is a selection of two hundred of Studinka’s particularly expressive drawings from Chestnut Journal. Alongside the beautifully rendered drawings, the book offers essays by art historian Erich Franz, exploring Studinka’s distinct creative process, and literature scholar Marco Baschera, who looks at the artist and his work from a philosophical perspective.

Felix Studinka is a Zurich-based artist and a former curator at Zurich’s Museum für Gestaltung from 1997 to 2006.

Light Scripture
Analog Reflections in Photography

ANDREAS GREBER

Light Scripture collects three photo essays by Swiss photographer Andreas Greber. Created over the course of two decades, Greber’s photographs show simple scenes, such as fragments of a wall, translucent portraits, and wooded landscapes. Yet they are enigmatic and unsettling in that, while visible, their subjects escape the determination of shadow and light. For Greber, this is the essence of photography: inscribing with light.

Presented in a dual English-German edition, Light Scripture brings together thirty-three of Greber’s photographs in a beautiful, large-format book. It takes readers through the artist’s process in the creation of the series, which explores the aesthetics and properties of photography with a special focus on how recent shifts in photography during the digital age call for a revaluation of its classic analog variety. Greber’s photographs are complemented by an essay by art critic Konrad Tobler.

Andreas Greber is a photographer and artist who lives and works in Berne.
Bettina Pousttchi: Metropolitan Life
Edited by ANTONELLA CAMARDA

Since the late 2000s, German-Iranian artist Bettina Pousttchi has been creating an oeuvre that encompasses the intersection of sculpture, architecture, and photography. Her large-scale installations investigate the history and memory of places, exploring the connections between time and space from a transnational perspective, and they have gained international recognition and praise.

Bettina Pousttchi: Metropolitan Life features Pousttchi’s most recent installation at the Nivola Museum in Orani on the Italian island of Sardinia. Taking as her subject the Metropolitan Life Building located on Madison Avenue in Manhattan, Pousttchi reflects on the building, which was criticized for its blatant Italian references at the time of its completion in 1909. The world’s tallest structure until 1913, the Metropolitan Life Building also displays a hybrid identity, which Pousttchi highlights, recalling cultural and temporal-spatial dislocations between the Old and the New World, the Renaissance and Modernity. Published alongside Pousttchi’s Nivola installation and other works is an essay by art historian Greg Foster-Rice and a conversation between the artist, critic, and curator Hans Ulrich Obrist and architect and writer Markus Miessen.

Antonella Camarda is a postdoctoral fellow for contemporary art history at the University of Sassari, Italy, and director of the Nivola Museum in Orani, Sardinia, Italy.
More than ever, architecture is in need of provocation, a new path beyond the traditional notion that buildings must serve as vessels, or symbols of something outside themselves.

*Non-Referential Architecture* is nothing less than a manifesto for a new architecture. It brings together two leading thinkers, architect Valerio Olgiati and theorist Markus Breitschmid, who have grappled with this problem since meeting in 2005. In a world that itself increasingly rejects ideologies of any kind, Olgiati and Breitschmid offer non-referential architecture as a radical, new approach free from rigid ideologies. Non-referential buildings, they argue, are entities that are themselves meaningful outside a vocabulary of fixed symbols and images and their historical connotations.

For more than a decade, Olgiati and Breitschmid’s thinking has placed them at the forefront of architectural theory. Indispensable for understanding what the future might hold for architecture, *Non-Referential Architecture* will become a new classic.

Valerio Olgiati is a Swiss architect and professor at the Accademia di Architettura der Università della Svizzera Italiana in Mendrisio, Switzerland. Markus Breitschmid is professor of architecture theory at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.
Shifting Patterns
Christopher Alexander and the Eishin Campus

Christopher Alexander is a Vienna-born, British-American architect and theorist and the father of the pattern language movement, popularized in his pivotal 1968 book, *A Pattern Language*, with Sara Ishikawa and Murray Silverstein, as well as the 1979 follow-up, *The Timeless Way of Building*. Lesser known but as essential to understanding Alexander’s work is his theory of “systems generating systems,” which explains that systems as a whole are created by “generating systems,” and, “if we wish to make things which function as ‘wholes,’ we shall have to invent generating systems to create them.”

Taking the Eishin Campus outside Tokyo, built between 1983 and 1989, as its example, *Shifting Patterns* is the first book to examine Alexander’s theory of “systems generating systems” and its application to a building design. It brings together essays from an interdisciplinary, international cast of experts, including Eva Guttmann, Gabriele Kaiser, Ernst Beneder, Walter Ruprechter, Hisae Hosoi, Christian Kühn, Ida Pristinger, and Norihito Nakatani, as well as conversations with Hajo Neis and Takaharu Tezuka to investigate the application of this theory to the school and university complex, the largest project Alexander has realized based on pattern language. Among the issues discussed are topicality, interdisciplinary and internationality, and culture transfer. The essays also look at the design-build movement as an antithesis to today’s standardized and commerce-driven architectural production.

Eva Guttmann is a freelance architecture publicist based in Graz and Vienna and an editor with Park Books. Gabriele Kaiser lives and works in Vienna as a freelance architecture publicist, writer, and curator. Claudia Mazanek is a Vienna-based freelance editor with expertise in twentieth-century art and architecture.
EMERIC LAMBERT and BRICE CHAPON

Architecture as environment
Parc Architectes

Founded in 2009, Paris-based PARC Architectes has risen to prominence, winning awards and accolades in its native France and beyond. Just as important as its design work is PARC Architectes's research on contemporary architecture and urbanism, laid out in the essay “Le Parc Planetaire (The Planetary Park)”, published in the firm’s own journal, PRAGMA, and on its blog, CRAPZINE.

This first book to focus on PARC Architectes, Architecture as environment features fifteen foundational designs by the firm, chosen to reflect the firm’s credo that the environment has to become a matter of architecture. At the interface of art and science, PARC Architectes’s designs are installations rather than mere structures, enabling adequate responses to contextual and conceptual issues in the construction of contemporary human environments. In addition to brief essays, the book also includes one hundred illustrations, including many in full color.

Emeric Lambert is an architect, engineer, and cofounder of PARC Architectes. He teaches at the École Nationale Supérieure d’Architecture de Versailles. Brice Chapon is an architect and cofounder of PARC Architectes. He teaches at the École Nationale Supérieure d’Architecture de Val de Seine, Paris.
Since the introduction of steel as a building material in the early twentieth century, its superior performance has challenged conventional wisdom about construction, enabling designs of surprising lightness and span.

From the Eames House in Los Angeles to the Hôtel Tassel in Brussels and the Maison de Verre in Paris, At Home in Steel celebrates the use of steel in residential architecture. Despite not often serving as direct models for new designs today and with more stringent regulations on fire and structural safety and energy efficiency in place, these icons should inspire architects to rediscover the advantages of using steel in contemporary residential architecture, from industrial prefabrication and a swift and dry construction process to structural adaptability over a building’s lifetime. Drawing on recent research at the Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Institute of Constructive Design, the essays in At Home in Steel reflect on steel residential architecture from today’s perspective and feature contemporary examples by Atelier Bow-Wow, Christian Kerez, Lacaton and Vassal, and Made In, among others.

Building Additions in Steel looks at the largely ignored topic of steel additions in architecture and engineering, documenting an ambitious, interdisciplinary research project by architects, engineers, teachers, and students at the Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Institute of Constructive Design. The book offers basic theoretical and technical information on a selection of outstanding steel additions alongside more than one hundred illustrations, including plans and photographs.

Daniel Stockhammer is a teaching and research assistant at the University of Liechtenstein, Institute of Architecture and Planning. Astrid Staufer is an architect, professor at Technische Universität Vienna, and codirector of the Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Institute of Constructive Design, an interactive hub for teaching and research in building design and construction in Winterthur, Switzerland. Daniel Meyer is a civil engineer and a lecturer at the Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Institute of Constructive Design.
Between 1924 and 1936, Austrian architect Josef Frank built five holiday homes on the Falsterbo Peninsula in southern Sweden. Conceived as summer houses for friends and relatives of Frank's Swedish wife, the Falsterbo Villas constitute a key part of Frank's architectural work and demonstrate concerns at the core of his housing designs.

In 2016, Villa Carlsten, the smallest of the Falsterbo Villas, underwent an extensive restoration. Published on the occasion of its completion, Josef Frank: Villa Carlsten is the first book to comprehensively document the building. As with all of Frank’s housing designs, Villa Carlsten sees the architect paying special attention to the connection between interior and exterior, to the availability of daylight, and to inhabitants’ movements throughout the home. A particular part of Villa Carlsten’s charm is its scale, as everything is of smaller dimensions than one would expect. Despite its intricate layout, however, Villa Carlsten is also one of Frank’s most accessible homes, and the design is full of wit, combining comfort with modern refinement.

Beautifully designed with seventy-five full-color photographs by Mikael Olsson, who adeptly highlights the home’s qualities and relationship with its surroundings, the book also includes an essay by Mikael Bergquist, who realized the renovation and places Villa Carlsten in context with the other Falsterbo Villas and Frank’s broader work.

Mikael Bergquist is a Stockholm-based architect and an expert in the architecture of Josef Frank. He has been commissioned with the restoration of Villa Carlsten in Falsterbo, Sweden, which took place between 2016 and 2018.
In Cachan, a suburb south of Paris, Ateliers O-S Architectes was commissioned with transforming a local theater building, originally built in the early twentieth century, into a thriving cultural center. The commission went well beyond merely rebuilding and modernizing an existing structure. Rather, the firm was tasked with creating an entirely new neighborhood. Everything but auditorium and stage of the old building was demolished and replaced with a more spacious, new complex with an additional hall, a new foyer and exhibition space, a restaurant, and new rooms for building and stage equipment. The neighboring tennis court became a public park.

*Lever de Rideau* presents the creation of Cachan’s new Jacques Carat Theater. Designed to mimic a theater program, the book brings together short essays and interviews; portraits of key protagonists; a graphic short story; and ample illustrations, including plans and photographs by celebrated French photographer Cyrille Weiner that show the building embedded in Cachan’s urban fabric. Offering captivating behind-the-scenes insights, this unconventional book will be welcomed by readers interested in modern architecture and urban planning.

*Rafaël Magrou* is an architect, architectural historian, and a lecturer at the École Nationale Supérieure d’Architecture Paris-Malaquais. He also works as a writer and curator. Founded in 2002 by Vincent Baur, Guillaume Colboc, and Gaël Le Nouëne, *Ateliers O-S Architectes* is a Paris-based architectural firm working on a range of projects, from temporary installations to urban and cultural commissions.

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**Lever de Rideau**  
A Theatre in Cachan  
Edited by RAFÀEL MAGROU and ATELIERS O-S ARCHITECTES

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**Plans and Images**  
An Archive of Projects on Typology in Architecture 2013–2018  
*Edited by MARTIN FRÖHLICH, ANJA FRÖHLICH, TIAGO P. BORGES, and SEBASTIAN F. LIPPOK*

Learning to construct is the objective of the architecture student, who seeks to bring sketches, sophisticated visualizations, material and component choices, and detailed plans and diagrams together in a single grand composition.

*Plans and Images* offers insight into how architects are trained by examining the teaching and research approach of the Laboratory of Elementary Architecture and Studies of Types EAST (Laboratory EAST), a satellite studio of the EPFL School of Architecture in Lausanne. Going beyond the traditional notion of functionally determined typologies, Laboratory EAST is concerned more broadly with the principles of typology in architecture. Richly illustrated with drawings and plans by Laboratory EAST’s students, the book also includes essays by faculty and other experts and an interview with the renowned Spanish architect Rafael Moneo, who discusses the research topics pursued at Laboratory EAST. Four photo essays by Swiss photographer Joël Tettamanti round out the book.

*Martin Fröhlich* and *Anja Fröhlich* are associate professors at the EPFL School of Architecture in Lausanne, where *Tiago P. Borges* and *Sebastian F. Lippok* are architects and teaching and research assistants at the EPFL School of Architecture’s Laboratory EAST.
Forty years after its inception, punk has gone global. The founding scenes in the United Kingdom and United States now have counterparts all around the world. Most, if not all, cities on the planet now have some variation of punk existing in their respective undergrounds, and long-standing scenes can be found in China, Japan, India, Africa, Southeast Asia, and the Middle East. Each scene, rather than adopting traditional interpretations of the punk filter, reflects national, regional, and local identities.

The first offering in Intellect’s new Global Punk series, *The Punk Reader: Research Transmissions from the Local and the Global* is the first edited volume to explore and critically interrogate punk culture in relation to contemporary, radicalized globalization. Documenting disparate international punk scenes, including Mexico, China, Malaysia, and Iran, *The Punk Reader* is a long-overdue addition to punk studies and a valuable resource for readers seeking to know more about the global influence of punk beyond the 1970s.

*Experimental Zone* documents a remarkable experiment in spatial research at the interdisciplinary laboratory Image Knowledge Gestaltung at the Humboldt University of Berlin. Every two months, for four years, researchers reconfigured a 350-square meter workspace for forty scientists. The design-based collaborative experiment’s focus was on the interrelation of space and knowledge production: What spatial qualities are required by interdisciplinary teams for their research work?

With 125 striking and straightforward graphics, *Experimental Zone* presents the findings of the experiment. It highlights the spatial conditions under which individual and collaborative research unfold, overlap, or merge and reveals the characteristics of an architecture that fosters interdisciplinary. The experiment’s innovative interdisciplinarity approach is also reflected in the book’s design, with each of the five chapters and the comprehensive visual material reflecting publishing traditions in design, architecture, and the humanities.

*Séverine Marguin* is a sociologist at Technische Universität Berlin. *Henrike Rabe* is an architect and researcher at Humboldt University of Berlin. *Friedrich Schmidgall* is a designer at Einstein Center Digital Future in Berlin. Together, they led research for *Experimental Zone*.
Edited by VALERIE ESTELLE FRANKEL

Nineteen years later . . .

Even as a new generation embraces the *Harry Potter* novels for the first time, J. K. Rowling’s wizarding world continues to expand. Rowling herself has created a five-film spinoff, a two-part stage play, and an immersive online universe. The fictional sport of Quidditch now has a real-world counterpart, complete with an international governing body and a major league. Fans have adapted the series into role-playing games, crossover parodies, musicals, films, dances, art, and real, published fiction. There are new mobile games, toys, theme parks—even a complete line of Harry Potter-inspired home décor from Pottery Barn.

More than ten years have passed since the end of the series, and Potterheads still can’t get enough. In this addition to Intellect’s Fan Phenomena series, enthusiasts and scholars explore the culture of the fandom, its evolution, and how it managed to turn a boy wizard into the international icon we see splashed across lunchboxes, printed on t-shirts, and enshrined in tattoos. *Fan Phenomena: Harry Potter* is a journey—yes, a magical one—through one of the largest fanbases of all time and their efforts to ensure that The Boy Who Lived would live forever.

Valerie Estelle Frankel is the author of more than fifty books on popular culture, including *Homages and the Highlands: An Outlander Guide* and *Superheroines and the Epic Journey: Mythic Themes in Comics, Film and Television*. She is the recipient of a Dream Realm Award, an Indie Excellence Award, and a USA Book News National Best Book Award for her *Henry Potty* parody series. She teaches at Mission College, Santa Clara, and San Jose City College.

James Curcio is a visual artist and the editor of the interdisciplinary journal *Modern Mythology*. He is the author of many books, including *Narrative Machines: Modern Myth, Revolution & Propaganda, Party At The World’s End*, and *Join My Cult!*

This interdisciplinary anthology explores the complex relationships in an artist’s life between fact and fiction, presentation and existence, and critique and creation, and examines the work that ultimately results from these tensions.

Using a combination of critical and personal essays and interviews, *MASKS* presents David Bowie as the key exemplifier of the concept of the “mask,” then further applies the same framework to other liminal artists and thinkers who challenged the established boundaries of the art/pop academic worlds, such as Friedrich Nietzsche, Oscar Wilde, Søren Kierkegaard, Yukio Mishima, and Hunter S. Thompson. Featuring contributions from John Gray and Slavoj Žižek and interviews with Gary Lachman and Davide De Angelis, this book will appeal to scholars and students of cultural criticism, aesthetics, and the philosophy of art; practicing artists; and fans of Bowie and other artists whose work enacts experiments in identity.

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**Technology’s Challenge to Human Values**

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**And What It Means Today 2**

**Edited by MARC JAMES LÉGER**

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Joshua Sofaer
Performance | Objects | Participation
Edited by ROBERTA MOCK and MARY PATERSON

Joshua Sofaer works across boundaries, borders, and disciplines to create artworks that engage with all levels of society. In cultural institutions or on the street, for art galleries or personal homes, staged as operas or cast as golden sculptures, Sofaer’s work weaves with and through social fabric to consider the ideas that hold us together.

Copublished with the Live Art Development Agency, this lavishly illustrated volume is the first in-depth study of the artist’s work, featuring discussions with producers and participants, documentary images and a new photographic essay, interviews with the artist himself, and thirteen commissioned essays by scholars, curators, and artists from the perspectives of performance studies, archaeology, and opera criticism. With a mixture of intellect, humor, and striking design, Joshua Sofaer: Performance | Objects | Participation analyzes the artist’s oeuvre in the contexts of liveness, visual art, and participatory practices. It explores the binding aesthetics of his approach as a model for contemporary practice, and it considers the impact of his work on audiences, institutions, and pedagogy, as well as on fine art and performance ecologies as a whole.

Roberta Mock is professor of performance studies at the University of Plymouth. She is the editor of the anthologies Walking, Writing & Performance: Autobiographical Texts by Deirdre Heddon, Carl Lavery and Phil Smith and Performing Processes: Creating Live Performance, also published by Intellect. Mary Paterson is a writer and curator who works between performance, literature, and visual art.

Art inSight
Understanding Art and Why It Matters
FANCHON SILBERSTEIN

A first encounter with art is like meeting a stranger: it opens you to new ideas, people, places, and parts of yourself. In Art inSight: Understanding Art and Why It Matters, Fanchon Jean Silberstein delves into the first known art and explores what it can reveal about how its makers saw the world and how contemporary artists can help us to see our own. The result is equal parts an ode to the joy of artful engagement, a how-to for anyone interested in understanding art and culture, and a journey around the world from prehistory to the present day. Readers confront strangeness through observation, description, and conversation, and are given the skills to understand cross-cultural divisions and perceive diverse ways of interpreting the world.

Organized by ideas rather than history, chronology, or cultures, the book presents dialogues, imagining interactions between paintings created centuries apart and describing discussions among students learning the role of art in conflict resolution. By emphasizing the relationship between viewer and image, Art inSight urges readers to discover meaning in their own ways and offers questions that lead them into profound connections with works of art and the cultures behind them.

Fanchon Silberstein is a writer, teacher, and trainer who has presented art and culture workshops around the world. She was the director of the US State Department’s Overseas Briefing Center and was on the faculty of the Summer Institute for Intercultural Communication in Portland. At the Smithsonian Institution’s Hirshhorn Museum, where she served as a docent for over thirty years, she also taught observation skills to students of conflict resolution.
Ron Athey is one of the most important, prolific, and influential performance artists of the past four decades. A singular example of lived creativity, his radical performances are odds with the art worlds and art marketplaces that have increasingly dominated contemporary art and performance art over the period of his career.

Queer Communion, an exploration of Athey’s career, refuses the linear narratives of art discourse and instead pays homage to the intensities of each mode of Athey’s performative practice and each community he engages. Emphasizing the ephemeral and largely uncollectible nature of his work, the book places Athey’s own writing at its center, turning to memoir, memory recall, and other modes of retrieval and narration to archive his performances.

In addition to documenting Athey’s art, ephemera, notes, and drawings, the volume features commissioned essays, concise “object lessons” on individual objects in the Athey archive, and short testimonials by friends and collaborators by contributors including Dominic Johnson, Amber Musser, Julie Tolentino, Ming Ma, David Getsy, Alpesh Patel, and Zackary Drucker, among others. Together they form Queer Communion, a counter history of contemporary art.

Amelia Jones is the Robert A. Day Professor and vice dean of research at the Roski School of Art and Design at the University of Southern California. She is the author of many books, including Seeing Differently: A History and Theory of Identification and the Visual Arts and the coedited anthologies Perform Repeat Record: Live Art in History and Otherwise: Imagining Queer Feminist Art Histories. Andy Campbell is assistant professor of critical studies at the Roski School of Art and Design at the University of Southern California. He is the author of Queer X Design: 50 Years of Signs, Symbols, Banners, Logos, and Graphic Art of LGBTQ and the forthcoming Bound Together: Leather, Sex, Archives and Contemporary Art.
Contours of the Illiberal State
Governing Circulation in the Smart Economy
Edited by BORIS VORMANN and CHRISTIAN LAMMERT

The post-Cold War era was marked by the emergence of unprecedented new networks of international private trade, cooperation, and circulation of goods that promised to render the state nearly obsolete—at least in theory. The essays collected in this book dissect the notions of this so-called “smart economy,” revealing the crucial role that government interventions still play in facilitating the production and the global flow of goods. The contributors focus particularly on the role played by the United States, often incorrectly assumed to be the most liberal and least interventionist in the global order. More than a mere market fixer, the United States has long assumed an outsized position in expediting the global circulation of goods through its supply chains and communication channels. Drawing from such diverse fields as political science, urban sociology, and cultural studies, Contours of the Illiberal State takes a broad interdisciplinary look at how nations became active market enablers.

Boris Vormann is professor of politics and head of the politics concentration at Bard College Berlin. Christian Lammert is professor of North American politics and policy and director of the John F. Kennedy Institute at the Free University of Berlin.

Vertical Europe
The Sociology of High-Rise Construction

ANDREA GLAUSER
Translated by Jessica Spengler

More high-rise residential buildings have been built in the last two decades than at any other time before. Even in Europe, where historically a typical city’s most prominent vertical accents came from chimneys and church steeples, towering buildings are increasingly shaping the urban landscape. In Vertical Europe, Andrea Glauser looks at new architectural trends in London, Paris, and Vienna, as well as the promises, desires, and fears associated with them in the minds of these cities’ residents.

Andrea Glauser is a lecturer in sociology at the University of Lucerne. Jessica Spengler is a translator of books and permanent exhibitions.

Vertical Europe is the first full-length sociological examination of the recent skyward growth in urban Europe, bringing together debates on high-rise architecture from fields including urban planning, geography, and art history. Glauser contextualizes this vertical construction as an area fraught with tensions between these European cities’ desire to keep pace with global competition while still retaining the specific architectural qualities that have defined them for centuries.
The Value of Critique

Exploring the Interrelations of Value, Critique, and Artistic Labour

Edited by ISABELLE GRAW and CHRISTOPH MENKE

The Value of Critique casts its gaze on the two dominant modes of passing judgment in art—critique and value (or evaluation). The act of critique has long held sway in the world of art theory, but has recently been called into question. As soon as a critic decides an object is worthy enough of their interest and time to critique it, they have imbued that object with a certain value. Similarly, theories of value are typically marked by a critical impulse, as much as critique takes part in the construction of evaluations, bestowing something with value can then trigger critiques. Assembling essays from an international array of authors, this book is the first to put value, critique, and artistic labour in conversation with one another, making clear just how closely all three are related.
Many of us view the world of science as a firm bastion of knowledge, with each new discovery and further illumination adding to an unshakable foundation of natural truths. Weak Knowledge aims to rattle our faith, not in core certainties of scientific findings but in their strength as accessible resources. The contributors show how, throughout history, many bodies of research have become precarious due to a host of factors. These factors have included cultural or social disinterest, feeble empirical evidence or theoretical justifications, and a lack of practical applications in a given field’s findings. This book brings together cases from a variety of historical periods and disciplines, ranging from personal medicine to climatology, to illuminate the specific forms, functions, and dynamics of “weak” bodies of knowledge.
The Politics of Solidarity
Privatisation, Precarious Work and Labour in South Africa
CARMEN LUDWIG

Politics of Solidarity explores the transformation of public services in post-apartheid South Africa and the effects of privatization in three cities: Johannesburg, Ekurhuleni, and Cape Town. Drawing on extensive qualitative fieldwork, Carmen Ludwig sheds light on local conflicts on the provision of public services and on trade union strategies that cope with rising public-private partnerships. In the face of persistent social inequality and the rise of precarious work, Ludwig asks how trade unions can create solidarity in fragmented workforces and bridge the gap between permanent workers and those on the margins in the workplace and society. Politics of Solidarity offers insights into the changing world of municipal work, the struggles of precarious workers, and, more broadly, the labor dynamics of contemporary South Africa.

Carmen Ludwig is a postdoctoral researcher at Justus-Liebig-University in Giessen, Germany, and a research associate in the Society, Work and Development Institute at the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Cloud ’68—Paper Voice
Smiljan Radić’s Collection of Radical Architecture
EDITED BY FREDI FISCHLI, NIELS OLSEN, SMILJAN RADIĆ, AND PATRICIO MARDONES

The period between the 1950s and the 1970s saw the flourishing of a number of radical movements in architecture throughout Europe, producing a wide range of experimental expression. Cloud ’68 presents a selection of 173 graphic pieces—including lithographs, drawings, original etchings, and ephemera—that together give a sense of the diverse approaches that thrived in those years. Drawing from the personal collection of the Chilean architect Smiljan Radić, the book features works by Constant, Guy Debord, Asger Jorn, Haus-Rucker-Co, Archigram, Utopie, Superstudio, and many others. Apart from essays by Tom McDonough and Lara Schrijver, Cloud ’68 contains interview fragments by the critic and curator Hans Ulrich Obrist, who spoke with the key figures of these movements.

Fredi Fischli and Niels Olsen are curators of gta exhibitions, ETH Zurich. Smiljan Radić is an architect based in Santiago de Chile. Patricio Mardones is an architect working with the studio Smiljan Radić.
As environmental pressures continue to increase and concerns about resource scarcity continue to grow, a number of prominent architectural thinkers are returning to one of the world’s oldest construction methods: earth building. *Upscaling Earth* showcases innovative thinking about materials and the potential for earth building to replace more ecologically damaging, resource-intensive materials like concrete. What economic, environmental, and social conditions, the book asks, would be necessary for an upscaling of earth to occur?

Presenting a wide range of built and unbuilt projects and outlining strategies that can be implemented to adapt the use of earth to each unique culture and context, *Upscaling Earth* demonstrates groundbreaking technological innovations that highlight the advantages of this material. From worldwide availability to the possibility of comprehensive recycling, from climate-neutral production to socially just implementation, the book reveals the incredible potential of earthen architecture.

*Anna Heringer* is an architect and was guest professor at various universities around the world. *Lindsay Blair Howe* is an architect and lecturer at ETH Zurich. *Martin Rauch* is the founder of Lehm Ton Erde Baukunst in Schlins, Austria, and—among other international activities—he was guest lecturer at ETH Zurich.

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At the start of the 1980s, Michael Hopkins and Partners was a successful architecture firm in London, with a solid track record of design and building. By the end of the 1990s, they were far more impressive, having established themselves as innovators at the highest level. That work is most evident in five urban buildings in England that they built in that period; those buildings are the focus of *Hopkins in the City*. In addition to close examinations of those buildings, including survey drawings and new photographs, the book offers building studies from five contemporary European architects and Michael Hopkins’s own perspective as presented in his lecture “Technology Comes to Town.” Essays by Adam Caruso and Helen Thomas, meanwhile, frame the British scene and revisit the fundamental issues of technology, style, and context that run through discussions of twentieth-century architecture.

*Adam Caruso* holds a chair of architecture and construction at ETH Zurich. *Helen Thomas* studied architecture and holds a PhD in art history. Currently she is working as an author and editor for various institutions.
Zofia Kulik’s rich artistic career has a dual nature. Between 1970 and 1987, she worked alongside Przemysław Kwiek as a member of the duo KwieKulik, after which she began to develop a successful individual career. While KwieKulik’s work has been well established as central to the East European neo-avant-garde art lexicon of the 1970s and ‘80s, Kulik’s solo work has yet to be examined in depth. The first publication devoted solely to her work, this book analyzes the themes of her rich and complex oeuvre, addressing the (post)communist condition, artistic labor, intermediacy, and the conditions of working as a female artist. The book forms a portrait of Kulik as an artist whose work is both deeply focused and rich in variations that reflect the socio-political shifts in her native Poland. This book includes contributions from leading art historians, such as Edit András, Angela Dimitrakaki, Ewa Lajer-Burcharth, Suzana Milevska, and Tomasz Załuski.

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A History of Crete

Known by the Greeks as “Megalónisos,” or the “Great Island,” the island of Crete has a long and varied history. Steeped in historical and cultural heritage, Crete is the most visited of the Greek islands. It has also been of paramount strategic importance for thousands of years, thanks to its location close to the junction of three continents and at the heart of the eastern Mediterranean Sea. For much of its long history, the island has been ruled by foreign invaders. Under the rule of the Mycenaeans, Dorians, Romans, Byzantines, Arabs, Venetians, Ottoman Turks, and, briefly, the Third Reich, Cretans, who are fierce lovers of freedom, have adapted to live with their conquerors and to the influence of foreign rule on their culture. In a dazzling contrast to these three thousand years of domination, we see two periods of the island’s independence: the vibrant apogee of the Minoan civilization and the brief period of autonomy before union with Greece at the beginning of the twentieth century.

To guide us through this spectacular history, Chris Moorey, who has lived in Crete for more than twenty years, provides an engaging and lively account of the island spanning from the Stone Age to the present day. A History of Crete steps in to fill a gap in scholarship on this fascinating island, providing the first complete history of Crete to be published for over twenty years, and the first ever that is written with a wide readership in mind.

Chris Moorey is a writer and historian and the author of A Glimpse of Heaven.

“A fascinating journey through Cretan history, from its mytho-
logical past to its tourist-crowded present.”

—Mick Reed,
University of New England
Named “Man of the Millennium” in 1999, Johannes Gutenberg was the creator of one of the most influential and revolutionary inventions in Europe’s history: a printing press with mechanical movable type. This development sparked the printing revolution, which is regarded as the milestone of the second millennium and represents one of the central contributions in the turn to modernity. His printing press came to play a key role in the development of the Renaissance, the Reformation, and the Age of Enlightenment, providing the material foundation for the modern knowledge-based economy and the spread of learning to the masses. His invention revolutionized the way that information is shared and broadened the boundaries of who has access to written knowledge. Paving the way for bibliophiles of today, the Gutenberg Bible of 1454 remains one of the most famous books in history.

Gutenberg’s technical innovations remained unrivaled for almost 350 years, until industrialization of the printing industry and the digital revolution built on the advances that he began, increasing the rate at which information is spread. Despite his significance in forming the world as we know it, there has not yet been a rigorous and accessible biography of Gutenberg published in English. Written by the leading expert on Gutenberg, Stephan Füssel’s biography brings together high academic standards and thorough historical details in a highly readable text that conveys everything you need to know about the man who changed printing forever.

Stephan Füssel is the Gutenberg Chair at the University of Mainz. He is director of the Institut für Buchwissenschaft and a member of the board of the International Gutenberg Society. Peter Lewis is the translator of such works as Roger Willemsen’s *The Ends of the Earth* and Jonas Lüscher’s *Barbarian Spring*. 
When Alejandro Luque receives a book of photographs taken in Sicily by the Argentinian writer, essayist, and poet Luis Borges, he decides to trace the writer’s journey, setting off with a group of friends on his own Sicilian odyssey. Meticulously identifying the location of each photograph, Luque uses Borges’s pictures to imagine the range of emotions that the renowned writer felt as he experienced the same views. As his hunt for the locations of the original photographs unfolds, Luque chronicles the ways in which he begins to fall in love with both the island itself and with his friend, Ro.

This winding journey features literati both past and present, indigenous and foreign. These characters live alongside Luque’s own comments and observations in a narrative that is rich in historical and personal detail. The writer who inspired this great journey, Borges himself, becomes a character in this narrative that is infused with extracts and reflections from his essays and poetry. *Borges in Sicily* acts as a travel diary, a guide to the most fascinating places in Sicily, a recounting of Borges’s journey around the island, and a deeply poetic story of Luque’s own adventures. The book also includes twenty-three photographs from the renowned Magnum photographer Ferdinando Scianna.

**Alejandro Luque** writes on culture for the Spanish Newspaper *El Correo de Andalucía*. He has published seven books in Spanish and is a winner of the IV Alfonso de Cossio Prize for short fiction writing. **Andrew Edwards** is a writer and the translator of *Sicily: A Literary Guide for Travellers*. 
For the Austrian poet and novelist Rainer Maria Rilke, travel was not only integral to his work, it was a way of life. Venice stands out as a location of particular importance to Rilke, and he visited the city ten times between 1897 and 1920. This city has inspired countless writers and artists, but Rilke, both enthralled and provoked by it, reveals a striking and deeply felt love for the city. He was as eager to explore the city’s underbelly, its deserted shipyards and back alleys, as he was to experience its iconic sights of St. Mark’s and the Doge’s Palace. Staying in both simple guesthouses and the grand palaces of his patrons, Rilke would walk prodigiously. His contemporary Stefan Zweig commented that “knowing every last corner and depth of the city was his passion” and Rilke himself said his walking allowed him to “grasp the whole breadth of the city.”

In eleven walks, Birgit Haustedt guides readers through Venice following the poet’s footsteps. Haustedt invites us to look on the beloved sights of the city through Rilke’s eyes, offering a new vision of this famed destination. *Rilke’s Venice* provides new insight into one of the finest and most widely recognized writers of the twentieth century. It also acts as a literary travel companion and guidebook to Venice, offering eleven detailed maps of walks through the city.

*Birgit Haustedt* taught German literature at the University of Salerno, Italy, and now works as a freelance writer in Hamburg, Germany. She is the author of several books on Italy and Germany. *Stephen Brown* is a playwright, dramaturg and translator. He previously worked as a critic, journalist, book editor, and publishing consultant. He was publisher of the London-based political magazine *Prospect.*
Fronted by one of the world’s most iconic doors, 10 Downing Street is the home and office of the British Prime Minister and the heart of British politics. Steeped in both political and architectural history, this famed address was originally designed in the late seventeenth century as little more than a place of residence, with no foresight of the political significance the location would come to hold. As its role evolved, 10 Downing Street, now known simply as “Number 10,” has required constant adaptation in order to accommodate the changing requirements of the premiership.

Written by Number 10’s first ever “researcher in residence,” with unprecedented access to people and papers, *No. 10: The Geography of Power at Downing Street* sheds new light on unexplored aspects of Prime Ministers’ lives. Jack Brown tells the story of the intimately entwined relationships between the house and its postwar residents, telling how each occupant’s use and modification of the building reveals their own values and approaches to the office of Prime Minister. The book reveals how and why Prime Ministers have stamped their personalities and philosophies upon Number 10 and how the building has directly affected the ability of some Prime Ministers to perform the role. Both fascinating and extremely revealing, *No. 10* offers an intimate account of British political power and the building at its core. It is essential reading for anyone interested in the nature and history of British politics.

**Jack Brown** is London partnerships director and lecturer in London studies at King’s College London and senior researcher at the Centre for London.
“Hennessy’s conversations with leading politicians of our time have reinvented the political interview.”
—Carolyn Quinn, BBC Radio 4

“The art of the interview is to caress, coax and cajole your subject into revealing more about themselves than they ever planned to do. Hennessy does just that with verve and panache.”
—Nick Robinson, BBC Radio 4

Accompanying the acclaimed BBC Radio 4 program, Reflections features interviews with twelve of Britain’s most influential political figures from the last twenty years. Presented by Peter Hennessy, one of the UK’s most renowned historians, each interview not only offers an honest and frank assessment of a political career, but also acts as a biography filled with fresh insights and moments of new revelation. From one of the longest-serving Prime Ministers and three of the Conservative leaders who stood against him, to dominant figures of late Thatcherism, stalwarts of successive New Labour cabinets, and leaders of the Liberal Democrats, Hennessy brings his characteristic style to each encounter. The politicians included in this volume are: Tony Blair, Michael Heseltine, Vince Cable, Margaret Hodge, William Hague, Harriet Harman, Michael Howard, Paddy Ashdown, Sayeeda Warsi, David Blunkett, Iain Duncan Smith, and Kenneth Baker.

Peter Hennessy is a historian and was a presenter for BBC Radio 4. He is Baron of Nympsfield, a fellow of the British Academy, and author of multiple books, including Establishment and Meritocracy and The Kingdom to Come. Robert Shepherd is a radio and television producer based in London. He is the author of Westminster: A Biography.

Fiction, Fact and Future
An Insight into EU Democracy
JAMES ELLES

Often misunderstood and misrepresented, the European Union has grown since its inception to become a system that provides democratic accountability to more than five hundred million Europeans. In Fiction, Fact and Future, James Elles unravels these misunderstandings, particularly in the British media, and offers a compelling account of the nature of the EU. In addition to providing much-needed clarifications on the EU’s structure, he examines how democracy in the EU is likely to develop over the decade ahead, with Britain absent and President Macron at the forefront of the debate, and how the European Parliament will continue to develop as a platform for the voice of the European people. A timely book in the wake of Brexit, Fiction, Fact and Future offers a guide that reveals what Britain got wrong about the EU, and it charts what changes the British might see from the EU in the years ahead.

James Elles was a British Conservative Member of the European Parliament from 1984 to 2014. He is co-founder of the European Internet Forum, the founder and chairman of the Transatlantic Policy Network, and the founder and honorary president of the European Strategy and Policy Analysis System.
Integrity in Public Life
Vernon White, Claire Foster-Gilbert, and Jane Sinclair

Good governance is a fundamental value in the United Kingdom, and its citizens are entitled to expect that public officials, both elected and nonelected, behave according to the highest standards of ethical behavior. Of course, these aspirations alone are not enough to root out corruption in government. In order for integrity in public life to be maintained, the core principles underlying these expectations must be constantly examined and strengthened. This new volume, published in collaboration with the Westminster Abbey Institute, explores ways in which public service institutions can maintain integrity on both the institutional and the individual level. While keeping the power of the individual in mind, the authors also illustrate the critical role institutions play in upholding values when the moral compass of individuals in power fails. Integrity in Public Life provides an essential guide to integrity, seeking to answer the fundamentals of what integrity means in public life and why it holds such a critical role in the constitution of Britain.

Vernon White is an English Anglican priest and theological scholar. Claire Foster-Gilbert is the founder of the Westminster Abbey Institute, the cofounder of the St Paul’s Institute, and a current member of numerous medical and theological ethics committees. Jane Sinclair is canon of Westminster and rector of St. Margaret’s Church, Westminster Abbey.

The Other Prophet
Jesus in the Qur’an
Mouhanad Khorchide and Klaus von Stosch
Translated by Simon Pare

The Qur’an identifies Jesus as a sign of God, and he holds a place as one of the most important prophets in Islam. Looking at Jesus in Islam also reveals both deep differences from and rich connections to the view of Jesus in Christianity. In The Other Prophet, Mouhanad Khorchide and Klaus von Stosch explore and explain the position of the Qur’anic Jesus, with one scholar working from the Muslim and the other from the Christian theological perspective. Their combined research presents a history of Jesus’s presence in the Qur’an and provides astute observations to deepen the understanding of both Christians and Muslims. Here we find that a common view of Jesus from the Muslim and Christian sides is not only possible, but also expands our understanding of Jesus and his message.

Mouhanad Khorchide is professor of Islamic studies and head of the Center for Islamic Theology at the University of Münster. Klaus von Stosch is professor of Catholic theology and didactics and chair of the Centre for Comparative Theology and Cultural Studies at the University of Paderborn. Simon Pare is the translator of such books as Atlas of an Anxious Man, The Little Paris Bookshop, and The Night of the Physicists, the latter also published by Haus.
Edited by BARBARA SCHWEPCKE and BILL SWAINSON

A New Divan
A Lyrical Dialogue between East and West

With forewords by Daniel Barenboim and Mariam C. Said

Now reaching its two hundredth anniversary, Johann Wolfgang von Goethe’s sequence of poems, the West-Eastern Divan serves as the inspiration for this new collection of poems by more than twenty-four poets from around the world. Goethe’s original work shows the poet looking east from his homeland of Germany to build a collection of writing inspired by the poetic traditions of Persia. In twelve books, Goethe writes on a variety of great poetic themes, including love, humor, parables, and paradise. Over the years since its original publication in 1819, the Divan has served as inspiration for a variety of literary, theoretical, and musical responses. A New Divan revisits Goethe’s work in a lively celebration of cross-cultural exchange. Works from the East and the West respond to the themes laid out in Goethe’s Divan and build bridges between cultures, nationalities, and languages. The poets have been paired to write in response to each of the twelve books of the Divan, and here present their multilingual works in eleven different languages, each with a poetic interpretation written in English. Three pairs of essays complement and shed further light on the series of poetic exchanges. These writings mirror the original notes that Goethe included in his West-Eastern Divan.

Reaching through time, language, and poetic history, A New Divan offers a lyrical conversation and opens paths of connection across cultures.

Barbara Schwepcke is the founder of Gingko and the chair of its board of trustees. Bill Swainson is a freelance editor and literary consultant.
In 1814, Johann Wolfgang von Goethe read the poems of the great fourteenth-century Persian poet Hafiz in a newly published translation by Joseph von Hammer-Purgstall. For Goethe, the book was a revelation. He felt a deep connection with Hafiz and Persian poetic traditions, and he was immediately inspired to create his own West-Eastern Divan as a lyrical conversation between the poetry and history of his native Germany and that of Persia. The resulting collection is one of the world’s great works of literature, an inspired masterpiece, and a poetic linking of European and Persian traditions. Eric Ormsby has created this translation in clear contemporary prose rather than in rhymed verse, which tends to obscure the work’s sharpness. This edition not only brings this classic collection to English-language readers, but also, at a time of renewed Western unease about the other, opens up the rich cultural world of Islam.

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe (1749–1832) was a German poet, novelist, playwright, courtier, and natural philosopher. He is the author of many works, most famously the poetic drama Faust. Eric Ormsby is a senior research associate at the Institute of Ismaili Studies.
Julia Fish: bound by spectrum
JULIE RODRIGUES WIDHOLM

This exhibition catalog, Julia Fish: bound by spectrum, presents a fully-illustrated survey of the last decade of Fish’s paintings and works on paper. It offers new scholarship around Fish’s ongoing project that brings together the disciplines of painting, drawing, and architecture. For three decades, Fish has used her house and its vernacular architecture—a Chicago storefront workspace designed by Theodore Steuben in 1922—as the basis for a system of mapping color, form, and light in paintings and works on paper. Working from close observation, she renders architectural details at actual size and creates a dialogue between objective information and subjective response. These works are informed by effects of light in space, time of day, the seasons, cardinal direction, and the artist’s own physical vantage point. Accompanying the images of Fish’s works are essays by Julie Rodrigues Widholm, Kate Nesin, and Colm Tóibín; images and text by architect Dan Wheeler; and a selection of the artist’s studio notations.

Julie Rodrigues Widholm is director and chief curator at DePaul Art Museum.

Beverly Fresh
Really Somethin Else
JULIE RODRIGUES WIDHOLM

An experimental “expanded catalog” chronicling the recent work and 2018 solo exhibition of artist Beverly Fresh, Really Somethin Else not only documents and contextualizes the work in the exhibition, but also includes research, sketches, production stills, inspirations, and other works not on view in the exhibition. In these works, artist, musician, and back-road drifter Beverly Fresh takes on the incongruities, social rituals, and archetypes of the rural Midwest. Drawing from age-old performance traditions, juvenile graffiti, backyard debauchery, adult social clubs, amateur living room theater, and pig wrestling, the exhibition is a keyed-up regurgitation of rural midwestern symbols, behaviors, and vernacular. Plentiful color images are accompanied by essays from Julie Rodrigues Widholm, H. Peter Steeves, and Greg Scott. The catalog, designed by Beverly Fresh himself, carries the distinct personality and aesthetic sensibility of the exhibition.

Julie Rodrigues Widholm is director and chief curator of DePaul Art Museum.
Over the past two decades, the Chinese conceptual artist, activist, and exile Ai Weiwei has created art that addresses complex and sensitive themes of political, ethical, and social urgency. His artworks, which call upon both Western and Chinese cultural traditions, are deeply engaged with the history of art, drawing particularly on conceptualism and minimalism. Informed by the readymade—central to the work of Marcel Duchamp and Andy Warhol—his work questions the status of the work of art itself, blurring the lines between art and non-art, invention and appropriation, structure and openness, even fiction and fact. From the start of his multifaceted career in the late 1970s, Ai has envisioned artistic practice as a deeply human, moral, and political endeavor.

This volume—a hybrid between a scholarly study and an exhibition catalog—presents the artist’s work in dialogue with theoretical texts by the Italian philosopher Giorgio Agamben and the German-Jewish philosopher Hannah Arendt alongside interpretive essays that illuminate the artist’s work on human rights, his engagement with historical Chinese artefacts, and his critical consideration of the effects of globalization. The book includes a new essay on human rights by Ai Weiwei and an interview in which he discusses his artwork and activism. It also features installation photographs of the corresponding exhibition. By exploring Ai Weiwei’s artistic practice in dialogue with philosophies, theories, and concepts that connect human life and political power, this publication offers new insights into one of the most important artists working today.

Sabine Eckmann is the William T. Kemper Director and chief curator at the Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum and author of *New Objectivity: Modern German Art in the Weimar Republic, 1919–1933.*
This catalog accompanies the first monographic examination of the art of William Trost Richards (1833–1905) in Boston. The exhibition, presented at the McMullen Museum of Art, Boston College, features oil paintings, watercolors, and drawings, including many rarely seen works owned by the artist’s descendants. Richards, a leading figure among nineteenth-century landscape painters, reflects a key moment in the evolution of the genre. Through the illustration of more than 150 works, the catalog spans Richards’s career from his earliest sketches to his later masterful seascapes and landscapes. A range of styles and themes are also presented, highlighting the artist’s hieroglyphic interpretation of nature, an interest of Romantic artists that was particular to their age of flourishing scientific discoveres.

This volume features research by scholars from various disciplines, including art history, American studies, literary studies, and geology. The writers delve into the personal and historical background of the artist and illuminate the links between Richards’s works and the artistic, scientific, and philosophical currents of his era. The catalog sheds new light on Richards’s art and on his position in the development of American art and the rise of environmental issues in American culture.

Jeffery Howe is professor emeritus of art history at Boston College.
Unthought Environments
Edited by KARSTEN LUND
With Contributions by Ina Blom, Keller Easterling, and John Durham Peters

Unthought Environments brings together art influenced by the forces that are integral to our daily lives, yet are easily forgotten or overlooked, such as the ancient elements of air, fire, water, and earth; weather systems; geopolitics; and the hidden physical components of our virtual world. Informed by media studies, ecology, and philosophy, these multi-media artworks explore the elemental sphere as it intersects with the human-made.

This exhibition catalog brings together images from the exhibition alongside texts that engage directly with the works as well as the larger issues that drive them. Essays by Karsten Lund, John Durham Peters, Keller Easterling, Ina Blom, Marissa Lee Benedict, Revital Cohen and Tuur Van Balen, and Peter Fend are included, as well as a conversation with Lund, Nicholas Mangan, Robin Watkins, and Nina Canell.

Karsten Lund is associate curator at the Renaissance Society at the University of Chicago.

Alejandro Cesarco: Song
Edited by ALEJANDRO CESARCO
With Contributions by Julie Ault, Wayne Koestenbaum, Solveig Øvstebø, and Lynne Tillman

Alejandro Cesarco: Song, published on the occasion of the exhibition of the same name at the Renaissance Society, brings together both new commissions and existing works. In the exhibition, Cesarco creates rhythm by incorporating silences and withholdings. The works form an installation drawing on the poetics of duration, refusal, repetition, and affective forms. This presentation, as in the artist’s broader practice, represents a sustained investigation into time, memory, and how meaning is perceived. Centering on two related video works, the exhibition engaged deeply with histories of conceptual art. This catalog features an introduction by Solveig Øvstebø, a conversation between Alejandro Cesarco and Lynne Tillman, an essay by Julie Ault, and new short fiction by Wayne Koestenbaum in response to the exhibition.

Alejandro Cesarco is an artist and director of Art Resources Transfer.
Since the 1980s, many Chinese artists have experimented with a range of unconventional materials. Their works—in plastic, paper, silk, ash, and tobacco—form a major trend in Chinese art. The Allure of Matter offers the first serious consideration of these groundbreaking material explorations, coining the term Material Art to describe works that place “matter” itself as the primary vehicle of investigation and expression. The book contains four groundbreaking essays, profiles of twenty-six artists, and corresponding color images.

Published on the occasion of the eponymous exhibition, Let me consider it from here features color reproductions of artworks by Saul Fletcher, Brook Hsu, and Tetsumi Kudo and transcriptions of the audio works of Constance DeJong, alongside newly commissioned poems by Geoffrey G. O’Brien, Simone White, and Lynn Xu, and an epilogue by Solveig Øvstebø. These artists frequently draw from their own histories, humors, and instincts as they grapple with or reimagine what’s happening in the world around them. Across a range of mediums, their works open up spaces that oscillate between strange and familiar, registering deeply personal experiences as well as more ambient cultural and political pressures. Their practices are all similarly anchored in solitude and stretch outward to meet the world, guiding us to the liminal realms between the public and the intimate, the concrete and the fantastical.

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The Allure of Matter
Material Art from China

WU HUNG with ORIANNA CACCHIONE, CHRISTINE MEHRING, and TREVOR SMITH

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Variations on Dawn and Dusk

Acting as poetic records of light, the poems in Variations on Dawn and Dusk follow the sun as it warms, cools, colors, and shifts the space of Robert Irwin’s untitled (dawn to dusk) in the desert of Marfa, TX. Built on the footprint of the town’s old hospital, Irwin’s permanent installation is a remarkable structure with walls, windows, and screens that both capture and are taken over by the sun’s changing light. Through this deeply engaged ekphrasis, Dan Beachy-Quick uses language to participate in the overpowering elegance of Irwin’s structure. The poet’s fervent observations lead us in cycles of meditation, moving with the light that slides through the surfaces of the installation. Here, the very foundation of our vision—light—forms the vocabulary from which these poems are built.

Building from Irwin’s use of rhythm and structure, the poems in this collection are constructed with an architectural framework. Rhythmic procedures inversely link the first and last words of the first and last lines of each poem and tie the number of lines to the number of syllables in the first line. These structures form a pattern, a thoughtful consistency through which we are invited to move and meditate with each variation of light.

Dan Beachy-Quick is a poet and essayist and the assistant chair of the English Department of Colorado State University. He has published six books of poetry and is a Guggenheim Fellow.

“In Variations on Dawn and Dusk what’s spoken is almost sung, and what’s sung is quickly lost, but what remains is a trace of presence as political as it is spiritual, reminding the reader that we’re constituted by what passes through us, what we’re open to. . . . But what a space, lit with such generosity and heart! It is aspirational, it is hopeful, it is not sentimental. It has a truly counter-cultural music that makes use of hums and whispers and silences. As I read Variations on Dawn and Dusk, I almost felt as if my body unfroze. It simply delivers light.”

—Katie Peterson, author of The Accounts

Dan Beachy-Quick

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Myung Mi Kim turns a keen ear to language as the mechanism by which society operates. The poems engage multiple methods to make sense of this pervasive tool, its powers, nuances, and influences over the structure of our civilizations. Through investigations of ecology, capitalism, military powers, colonization, and supremacy, the book uncovers patterns in the ways that language is active in perpetuating inequality and binding its subjects to the will of those in positions of authority. In questioning systems of oppression, the poems also offer the hope of forging new paths through the connecting power of language. Examining our participation in social contracts, communal goals, and human desires, Kim’s poems encourage us to salvage language as a means of connection that binds us in respect and commitment to our fellow human beings.
Silences

Within the visual arts of painting and photography, Martha Ronk finds an undeniable presence lurking: silence. This character slips into pauses, hides between images, and expertly evades the grasp of language. Ronk shows us that what is hidden just off screen in these images might just be the force that gives them power. The poems in *Silences* seek possibilities of how to form language from a phenomenon that so earnestly resists it. Rather than coax silence out of hiding, Ronk’s poems respond to its mysterious presence through questions and conjecture.

These poems endeavor to give a much-deserved voice to silence, addressing the power of what is not seen. While silence remains perpetually out of reach, Ronk invites us to follow the language that creeps up to its edges. The poems in this collection form an inquiry that moves through the presence of silence and reveals insights into the character of the visual art in which it lives.

“These poems seek, in humble and honest ways, all that falls back into, or refuses to emerge from, the inexpressible rooted silently inside the givens of our lives—not to break the secret open, but more simply, more wondrously, to admit it’s there. Such poems return us to art’s fundamental courage: to note where facts and knowledge fray into the unknown from which they were first woven, and to ask those questions that end beyond the end of the poem.”—Dan Beachy-Quick, author of *Of Silence and Song*

*Martha Ronk* is a poet who lives in the Los Angeles area. She is the author of eleven books of poetry, including *Ocular Proof*, *Transfer of Qualities*, and *Vertigo*.
Kimberly Reyes

Running to Stand Still

Histories, stories, lyrics, aspirations, dreams, pressures, and images are spun into a musical tale through a site of convergence: the Black female body. Swarmed by external gazes and narratives, the inhabitant of this body uses her power to turn down this cacophony of noise and compose a symphonic space for herself. By breaching boundaries of racism, sexism, sizeism, colorism, and colonialism, these poems investigate the memories and realities of existing as Black in America. Building from poetic, journalistic, and musical histories, poet and essayist Kimberly Reyes constructs a complex and fantastic narrative in which she negotiates a path to claim her own power.

These poems teem with life, a life rich with many selves and many histories that populate in the voice of Reyes’s poetic narrator. They sway between negotiations of hypervisibility and erasure, the inevitable and the chosen, and the perceived and the constructed. Reyes’s poems offer sharp observations and lyrical movement to guide us in a ballad of reconciliation and becoming.

Kimberly Reyes is a poet and essayist who lives in San Francisco. She is the author of Life during Wartime, winner of the Michael Rubin Prose Book Award, and Warning Coloration.
Harpo Before the Opus

The poems begin where language fails, where speech becomes disembodied, and syntax skids to a stop that dissolves into gesture. Where its form reaches an end, formlessness offers a space ripe with possibility. Here we find Harpo, reaching into the frustrated endpoint of language to find a method for its resurrection. Logan Fry sees that language becomes a tool for alienation and uses the poems in Harpo Before the Opus to excavate paths back to tenderness. These are poems from the edge, pulling language out from its failure and into a fervent interrogation of its possibilities. What was once a tool of capitalistic alienation now serves as material for building connections.

In spiraling explorations of rhetoric, these poems allow language to break from its prescribed structures, and instead, it becomes a gestural embrace of feeling and being. Fry utilizes a Marxist lens to scrutinize and reinvent the use of language. In Fry’s hands, language is rendered a visceral and sensual material, forming poems that are both deeply felt philosophical inquiries and wildly playful exercises of wit.

Logan Fry is a poet who lives in Austin, Texas and teaches writing at Texas State University. His poetry has appeared in New American Writing, Fence, West Branch, Boston Review, Prelude, Denver Quarterly, and the Best American Experimental Writing anthology.

Winner of the 2018 Omnidawn 1st/2nd Book Prize

“What is a shape / Except resistance,’ Fry asks himself, and the poems of Harpo Before the Opus—in all their prosodic diversity, technical and historical lexicons, and affective topographies—may be read as the literary manifesto for a resistance movement of one. Yet Fry also shows us how resistance may be grounded, all too often, in unacknowledged complicities.

. . . Such plenitude of being holds open the possibility of companionship, and perhaps even comradeship.”

—Srikanth Reddy, author of Voyager
WINNER OF THE OMNIDAWN POETRY CHAPBOOK PRIZE, SELECTED BY CARL PHILLIPS

“Spare, both episodic and epigrammatic, as invested in mystery as in the quotidian, Tomaselli’s Since Sunday reads like a contemporary book of hours—except for hours, insert anxieties... These poems seem the wind’s equivalent, offering a way through fear, past doubt, to the stay of belief, in the self, and in each small life’s possibilities. Tomaselli is a marvel. I’m so grateful for Since Sunday.”

—Carl Phillips, author of Wild Is the Wind

What happens when the faith and community we once held close sours into an experience of tragedy? In Since Sunday, we find a poet who is rebuilding a sense of faith after fleeing religious abuse. Doubt, shame, uncertainty, and the pains of loss create the ground from which these poems grow. After severance from her religion, established values, and sense of direction, Brittany Tomaselli embarks on recovery as an active and intentional pursuit. The poems reveal a resilience that must be lived as a daily effort to cope with trauma and to root oneself in the present.

Through wit, vulnerability, and rich lyrical language, Brittany Tomaselli invites us to walk with her through loss and on to a persistent process of discovery. The poems chronicle a cultivation of awe, unearthing a fresh faith rooted in the present realness of everyday experiences. Stripped of the orthodoxy that both grew and crushed her, she reconstructs a new core of trust for herself. Here we learn with the poet to seek celebration in daily life and to foster a sense of beauty from the mundane.

Brittany Tomaselli is a poet who lives and works in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Her work has been published in Fairy Tale Review, The Wanderer, and Columbia Poetry Review.
Adamshick’s way of glancing aside can hit you like a truck. Life can do that, too, and these poems are wired deep into the velocity and weight of existence.”
—Patton Oswalt

Saint Friend is a book of empathy. Its ten lyric poems are troubled with the prospect of satisfying the wants and needs of others. While some of the poems take place in realistic settings or concern real people—an airport, Amelia Earhart—this is a book where fantasy and reality are ultimately indistinguishable. Saint Friend is also a book about how we continue living while overwhelmed by loss and how we band together to survive. It is a freewheeling explosion of celebrations, elegies, narratives, psychologically raw persona pieces. It is at times bizarre and at times heartbreaking. It is, as the title suggests, a book exalting love among friends in our scattered times.

“I love the range of Adamshick’s spirit—there’s rootedness and flux here, exuberance and a whispered entanglement with mystery. What an expansive wish this poet makes for all of us—that we feel connected in the deepest way to what we wonder and believe.”
—Bob Hicok, author of Elegy Owed

“There is so much empathy in Adamshick’s Saint Friend—for the reader, for his multivoiced characters, for the poetic form itself—that it seems the lines are not enough to contain its self-aware effusiveness. Luckily for us, we are not expecting them to. In his second poetry collection, Adamshick rampantly pushes forward the way emotion is neatly received, and displays how thoughts can jumble, jostle, and cross each other with expressive sureness.”—The Rumpus

Carl Adamshick lives in Portland, Oregon, where he is cofounder and editor of Tavern Books, a nonprofit poetry press dedicated to the preservation of books and book culture. He is the author of Curses and Wishes.
Kimberly Burwick is the author of five poetry collections, including *Custody of the Eyes*, also from Carnegie Mellon University Press. Her poems have been published in many literary journals and magazines, among them *Bellevue Literary Review*, *Crazyhorse*, *Fence*, the *Mississippi Review*, *North American Review*, and *Terrain*. Burwick resides in Idaho and is clinical assistant professor of creative writing at Washington State University.
At the funeral / the priest said, our sister enters the gates of paradise / in a company of angels. Mom, were you waiting? / I have no mother, your mother’s gone, and / the you that lives on, me, I must learn she is / enough. From this room I see snow. Snow. Tomorrow is your / birthday. This is for you. The snow is melting. I’ve built / a fire. Mom, the fingers of the dead / woman play as if in some paradise, paradise, and / your mouth pinkens to breathing red and smiles. I am here, / your daughter, wanting. When there are gray / clouds, I don’t mind the gray clouds. I’m all for you. All from you”

Honor Moore’s first collection of poetry, Memoir, shows her dazzling talent to turn her real-life experiences into universal emotions. First published in 1988, the collection takes the reader through the heart of strong experience in the shadow of AIDS, sexual abuse, the struggle for accommodation between the sexes, nuclear threat—the multilayered fabric of modern life and love. The poems include sapphics, sestinas, and even a hendecasyllabic arrangement, showing Moore’s power to breathe new life into traditional forms.

Memoir is part of the Carnegie Mellon Classic Contemporaries Series, which reissues significant early books by important contemporary poets. Moore’s book is the one hundredth title in the series.

“As if excavating her life, Moore has uncovered with care the artifacts of the heart, and with deep intelligence explored the fissures in common speech and the shiftings of consciousness beneath them. At memory’s insistence she has written this book, which opens with one of the most important poetic meditations on nuclear war to have been published during the past decade and concludes with an intimate, almost epistolary poem about a friend who died of AIDS. We are thus in the presence of a poet who can be praised not only for the eloquence and musicality of her voice but also for the courage of her moral engagement. It is not only beautiful work, it is brave.”—Carolyn Forché, author of What You Have Heard Is True

“Remarkable, in Moore’s Memoir, how the power of loyalty—to parents, to siblings, to her own body—generates that other power, the power of longing, of desire, of bestowal... Recurrence, then, is her Muse, shadowed—as Proust says—by girls in bloom; acknowledged, cherished as her own.”

—Richard Howard

“Moore’s poems speak of a strong faith in hard work and in the land of working alone. Her poems mark out both the experiences she describes and the experience of making a book of poems.”

—Village Voice

Honor Moore lives in New York City and teaches in the writing program at the New School. She is the author of the poetry collections Darling and Red Shoes as well as the books The White Blackbird: A Life of Painter Margaret Sargent by Her Granddaughter and The Bishop’s Daughter: A Memoir.
"From the first poem in *Mistress*, Sebree's voice gripped me and held on. Sebree's vision of the persona poem is startling: the narrator is both Sally Hemings and a woman in the present merged to a consciousness un-nesting the 'holler hidden in her.' Like Kara Walker's murals, Sebree runs from—and faces—the dark looming historical forces of miscegenation, enslavement, and the abjection of the black female body. The ghost of Sally Hemings as aberration, as *mistress*, determines the speaker's id; tugs at her solitary fantasies; a violent erotic invasion that she inverts and turns on its head with lines etched in rage. Sebree's language is a scythe that glints wildly. *Mistress* is truly an astonishing, unforgettable debut."
—Cathy Park Hong

**CHET’LA SEBREE**

**Mistress**

This book of poems presents a cross-generational conversation between Sally Hemings and the contemporary narrator about what it means to be a black woman in their respective landscapes, while at the same time demonstrating how little the ways in which we talk about black women and black female experiences have changed in more than two hundred years. In these poems, the speakers engage with historical texts, art, literature, and popular culture, while never allowing us to lose sight of their location within their own settings, the twenty-first century and the antebellum South.

With an intentionally fraught title, *Mistress* not only addresses the ways in which that word is perhaps inappropriate to define Hemings, but also about how we tend to oversimplify the ways in which we see women. The title is investigated through a series of poems, in which the speakers contemplate the various definitions of “mistress”: extramarital partner, skilled individual, school teacher, authority figure, head of household, etc. In this way, the collection asks readers to complicate their understandings of both the word “mistress” and of black women. This collection seeks to resurrect Hemings from the limited historical narrative she’s often provided, while also bucking up against the limited ways in which black women are currently represented in popular culture. Through a series of poems with “mistress” in the title, the book looks at how narrowly we use the word, almost exclusively as extramarital partner, but how the word’s different definitions are related to power and strength. When we strip the term of its positive connotations, it mirrors the way that we strip Hemings of the agency she had over her life and the lives of her children.

Born and raised in the Mid-Atlantic, Chet’la Sebree is a poet, editor, and educator. She holds an MFA from American University.
Eman Hassan is a bicultural poet from Massachusetts and Kuwait. A recipient of an MFA in poetry from Arizona State University and a PhD in poetry from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, she lives outside of Portland, Oregon.
The debut poetry collection of Charles Kell, *Cage of Lit Glass* engages themes of death, incarceration, and family through a range of physical, emotional, and philosophical spaces. In startling images of beauty and violence, Kell creates a haunting world that mirrors our individual and cultural fears. Boldly engaging with the absurdity, strain, and horrors of life, Kell’s poems expand upon the lineage of writers such as Kafka, Beckett, and Rimbaud.

*Cage of Lit Glass* follows multiple individuals and points of view, all haunted by various states of unease and struggle that follow them like specters as they navigate their world. Kell’s poems form blurred narratives and playful experiments from our attempts to build lives from despair. A tense and insightful collection, these works will follow the reader long after the book is finished.

**Charles Kell** is a poet and teacher in Rhode Island.
HADLEY MOORE

Not Dead Yet and Other Stories

Not Dead Yet and Other Stories studies the uncertainties of loss, turning a gaze toward the often-silenced voices of the infirm, elderly, and adolescent. Rich in humor and honesty, Hadley Moore’s debut collection of short stories presents a contemporary set of narratives from a lush cast of characters. We find the protagonists of her stories tenderly revealing their pain after the loss of loved ones and coping with the voids left by the passing of youth, happiness, and fulfillment. Moore invites us into the lives of characters like Morley, who struggles to adapt to new cultural norms, and Salmon, who confronts the loss of her husband while feeling isolated from his family’s Judaism. The character-driven prose of Not Dead Yet offers striking detail as it dives into moments of absurdity and tragedy.

Hadley Moore is a writer living near Kalamazoo, Michigan.

“What an astounding collection. The emotional depth and beauty of these stories is a wonder and puts this writer in a category all of her own. In Not Dead Yet, Moore takes readers on an emotional journey, insisting on illuminating our profound human connections and the mysteries of life. Her characters stay with you long after you’ve turned the final page and are penetrating reminders that life is full of endless chances, missed opportunities and grace. Moore’s insight and compassion are the triumph of this collection, signaling the arrival of a brilliant writer.”

—Dana Johnson, author of In the Not Quite Dark
Jennifer Renee Blevins’s debut memoir, *Limited by Body Habitus: An American Fat Story*, sheds light on her experiences living with the emotional and psychological struggles of taking up space in a fat-phobic world. Bringing together experiences of personal and national trauma, Blevins adeptly weaves the tale of her father’s prolonged personal health crisis and gastric bypass surgery with the environmental catastrophe of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. Blevins looks to each of these events as a “leak” of American society’s pitfalls and shortcomings. These intertwined narratives, both disasters that could have been avoided, reveal points of failure in our systems of healthcare and environmental conservation. Incorporating pieces from her life, such as medical transcripts and quotes from news programs, Blevins composes a mosaic of our modern anxieties. Even through despair, she finds hope in mending broken relationships and shows us how we can flourish as individuals and as a nation despite our struggles.

Fierce and haunting, this memoir creates a space of narrative through body, selfhood, family, and country.

Jennifer Renee Blevins is a writer living in South Carolina.

“*Limited by Body Habitus* is a searing and honest memoir that made me reconsider everything I thought I knew about the ‘obesity epidemic’ in the United States. Blevins masterfully brings together cultural criticism, hard numbers, and her own family’s story to reveal the extent to which the obesity epidemic continues to be manufactured and misunderstood. This is no manifesto, however. Blevins takes herself to task, too, and readers are left with a poignant memoir about a father who becomes a best friend, a family that is forever altered by a medical crisis, and a daughter who wonders if, as Blevins writes: ‘our bodies remember what we do to them.’”

— Daisy Hernández, author of *A Cup of Water Under My Bed*
Lori Jakiela, at the age of forty, begins to seek the identity of her birth parents. In the midst of this loss, Jakiela also finds herself with a need to uncover her family’s medical history to gather answers for her daughter’s newly revealed medical ailments. This memoir brings together these parallel searches while chronicling intergenerational questions of family. Through her work, Jakiela examines both the lives we are born with and the lives we create for ourselves. Desires for emotional resolution comingle with concerns of medical inheritance and loss in this honest, humorous, and heartbreaking memoir.

“Throughout, Jakiela’s love of language remains uniquely her own, enabling her to weave a beautifully-crafted tapestry of image and insight that ultimately enables her to string together a fragmented self.”—Nancy McCabe, Ploughshares

“Batykefer’s striking new collection puts the form of the epithalamium to novel use: rather than celebrating marriage, these poems examine the danger inherent in intimacy, including not only the loss of the beloved, but the annihilation of the self. The collection is bracketed by remarkable poems in the voice of Jane Eyre, speaking from beyond the novel’s supposedly happy ending and into the troubled union that was to have been her reward.

. . . These poems show us a world wracked by disaster, redeemed not through beauty but through unflinching attention to transformation and decay.”

—Nancy Reddy
CAROLYN L. BAKER

An Unintentional Accomplice

A Personal Perspective on White Responsibility

Carolyn L. Baker grew up in Southern California during segregation and came of age in the countercultural climate of the 1960s. Many years later, when Baker was in her mid-sixties, she first learned of the murder of Emmett Till, sparking an investigation of her own position as a white woman in the midst of a world of racial trauma. *An Unintentional Accomplice* follows Baker’s awakening to the realities of her own white privilege, confronting white guilt, navigating aspects of white identity, and searching out ways to be an ally who both acknowledges her own position and seeks to provide active support for those who live with a different set of circumstances. We find Baker facing the painful reality that, no matter how unintentional, she plays a role within a system that continues to inflict racial harm. She comes to realize that, by not actively opposing discrimination, as a white person, she acts as an accomplice.

*An Unintentional Accomplice* offers a nonjudgmental personal narrative that invites readers to explore the complexities of race in America and how to navigate the guilt that can arise in the face of these realities. The book defines institutionalized discrimination, illustrates the distance between the American dream and American reality, calls for a radically inclusive feminism, and suggests relevant ways to change direction and take action to build a more humane nation.

Carolyn L. Baker is an anti-discrimination activist and former adjunct professor who has spent the last three decades working in nonprofit organizations in Los Angeles as a development professional.
Borracho
Love Poems & Other Acts of Madness

Translated by Carolina Fung Feng and with an Introduction by Susana Torruella Leval

This collection of poems by Jesús Papoleto Meléndez reads as a poetic autobiography of a hopeless romantic. Borracho, or “very drunk” in English, invites us to find the essence of a man’s character laid bare in the foibles of his desire and passionate pursuit of love. Spanning the poet’s fifty-year career, this volume of fifty love poems takes us on a journey through the poet’s winding paths of love and life. Beginning with poems dedicated to his mother and father, the cascading style of Meléndez’s verse strings together a series of vignettes within a flowing narrative of the poet’s life in love. They offer lyrical glimpses into the struggle to find love and into a life lived in deep connection, and they lead us to bittersweet moments in the company of an aging man. The poems spring from times of exhilarating joy, sinking darkness, and painful absence, taking us on a journey through love’s highs and lows.

This bilingual edition, with Spanish translations by Carolina Fung Feng, invites us to fall in and out of the winding complexities of love. Anyone who has navigated love and loss will find some affinity with these poems and a sense of companionship with the poet.

Jesús Papoleto Meléndez is a New York–born Puerto Rican playwright, teacher, activist, and award-winning poet who is recognized as one of the founders of the Nuyorican Movement. He has published six poetry collections, the most recent of which is PAPOLÍTICO. Carolina Fung Feng is a Spanish translator, copyeditor, and ESL teacher.
Entre el Sol y la Nieve/
Between the Sun and Snow
Escritos de Fin de Siglo/
Writing at the End of the Century

Myrna Nieves is a writer and educator who was born in Puerto Rico. She is a founding member and professor at Boricua College, a cofounder of the artist group “7 Women in Movement,” and the author of four books. Christopher Hirschmann Brandt is a writer, translator, and political activist.
Gabrielle David

Trailblazers, Black Women Who Helped Make America Great
American Firsts/American Icons, Volume 2

Edited by Carolina Fung Feng
With an Introduction by Chandra D. L. Waring

This continuation of Gabrielle David’s odyssey into the lives and careers of 150 brilliant black women from the eighteenth century to the present brings biographies of women who blazed uncharted paths alongside powerful photographs that illustrate their lives. Organized into five sections, Volume 2 features artists, educators, women in the military, musicians, composers, and women in theater. David introduces us to the struggle of sculptors Meta Vaux Warrick Fuller and Augusta Savage; the impact of educators and scholars Anna J. Cooper and Georgiana Rose Simpson; the determination and bravery of Cathay Williams and Olivia J. Hooker, who served their country with distinction; in addition to musicians and composers like Florence Beatrice Smith Price, the first to have a symphonic composition performed by a major American symphony orchestra.

With Trailblazers, David has created an expansive and accessible reference book that provides significant information on the histories of the movements for feminism and civil rights. From the foremothers who broke gender and racial barriers to the mighty women working today, Trailblazers turns a much-deserved spotlight on these powerful and inspiring role models.

Gabrielle David is a multidisciplinary artist, musician, photographer, digital designer, poet, and writer. She is the publisher of 2Leaf Press and serves as the Executive Director of the Intercultural Alliance of Artists & Scholars, Inc., a New York–based nonprofit organization. Carolina Fung Feng is a Spanish translator, copyeditor, and ESL teacher.
For St. Louis, the Mississippi has always been more than just a river. It’s been the focus of the local economy, a shaping force on millions of lives, and a mirror for the city’s triumphs, embarrassments, joys, and tragedies. Through a series of snapshots from the city’s history, *Great River City: How the Mississippi Shaped St. Louis* examines the many ways St. Louis has interacted with the mighty river running past its front door.

Included among the dozens of stories are landmark moments in the history of St. Louis, from Lewis and Clark’s 1803 expeditionary stopover and the construction of the Eads Bridge in the 1860s and ’70s to more recent events, like the Great Flood of 1993. But this book also reveals some unexpected connections between the Mississippi and St. Louis, diving into subjects as diverse as sanitation, urban planning, and racial and ethnic conflicts. Some of these moments still leave their traces on the city today, while others have long since washed away. All are proof that both river and city will continue rolling on.

Countless works have examined the importance of the Mississippi River in American history, but rarely through the lens of a single city. Illustrated with hundreds of maps, artifacts, and images from the rich archives of the Missouri Historical Society, *Great River City* does just that.

Andrew Wanko is a public historian at the Missouri Historical Society.
WALDEN BELLO

Paper Dragons

China and the Next Crash

Emerging relatively unscathed from the global financial crisis of 2008, China has been viewed as a model of both rampant economic success and fiscal stability. But beneath the surface lies a network of fissures that threaten to erupt into the next big financial crash. A bloated real-estate sector, roller-coaster stock market, and rapidly growing shadow-banking sector have all coalesced to create a perfect storm: one that is in danger of taking the rest of the world’s economy with it.

A financial earthquake is coming, and history is providing our warning signs. Walden Bello looks to past financial crises, from the bursting of Japan’s “bubble economy” in 1990 to the crash of Wall Street in 2008, to show that these are not isolated incidents, but instead are linked phenomena. By following the path of these crises, as well as looking at recent troubling economic indicators, Bello predicts that China might be the site of the next crash—and this time, the consequences may be much worse and longer lasting than any collapse before.

Bello warns that under neoliberalism this will simply keep happening. The “too big to fail” problem is worse than ever, and few regulations have been put in place since 2008. The only way that we can stop this cycle, he argues, is through a fundamental change in the ways that we organize our economies: a shift to cooperative enterprise, which is respectful of the environment and fractures the twin legacies of imperialism and capitalism.

Insightful, erudite, and passionate, Paper Dragons is a sobering warning and a must-read for anyone wishing to prevent the next financial meltdown.

Walden Bello is the executive director of Focus on the Global South, as well as an adjunct professor of sociology at the State University of New York at Binghamton. His previous books include Dilemmas of Domination: The Unmaking of the American Empire and Capitalism’s Last Stand? Deglobalization in the Age of Austerity, both from Zed Books.

“A stark warning about the vulnerable state of global financial markets from one of our most acute and prescient thinkers.” —Naomi Klein, author of This Changes Everything and The Shock Doctrine

“Startling, revelatory, brilliant! An astonishing exposé of the frightening economic details of this moment.” —Jerry Mander, author of The Capitalism Papers
In 2011, the United States embarked on a new foreign policy approach that would push for LGBT rights around the globe. Then–Secretary of State Hillary Clinton kicked off the initiative by proclaiming, “gay rights are human rights” at the UN Human Rights Council in Geneva. In the years following that announcement, the United States has spent millions of dollars to support LGBT-friendly groups, and more than half of that spending was targeted at sub-Saharan Africa. Yet in many ways, the United States’ efforts, alongside those of its European counterparts, have actually hindered the progress of LGBT groups in Africa. At the heart of this issue is the fact that LGBT liberation does not look the same in Africa as it does in the United States or Europe.

In this moving investigation, award-winning journalist Robbie Corey-Boulet gives voice to the Africans who are deeply affected by the struggles for LGBT rights in their countries. Through their experiences, Corey-Boulet reveals that we should be looking for guidance from Africans themselves, instead of assuming that what worked in countries like the United States or the United Kingdom can simply be reenacted in places like Nigeria or Kenya. He also explains that international LGBT activism and allies have created winners and losers. In Africa, those who easily identify with the identities of the global movement find support, funding, and care. Those whose sexualities don’t align so neatly don’t.

Through his reporting, Corey-Boulet takes an unvarnished look at how foreign influence has often held back rights in Africa. And while he lays bare past failures, he also offers new ways for the world to engage on LGBT issues in Africa—and, indeed, worldwide.

Robbie Corey-Boulet is associate editor at World Politics Review. He previously worked as a freelance journalist in countries including Côte d’Ivoire, Senegal, Cambodia, and India, reporting for CNN, the Atlantic, Al Jazeera America, and the Guardian, among many others.
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KEHINDE ANDREWS

Back to Black
Black Radicalism for the 21st Century

The Black Lives Matter movement reinvigorated Black political movements around the globe. People who never thought of themselves as activists are on the march, while groups that struggled to be heard are finding themselves with a megaphone and an audience. But with this renewed energy also comes renewed questions: How far have we really come? And what’s the best way to keep moving forward?

In Back to Black, Kehinde Andrews argues that racism is inexorably embedded in the fabric of society, and it can never be overcome unless by enacting change outside of this suffocating system. The book traces the long and eminent history of Black radical politics. It is an appeal to reclaim Black radicalism, a movement that has been diluted and moderated over time, willfully misrepresented and caricatured by others, and divested of its potency and potential for global change. Through chapters that center on topics such as cultural nationalism, black Marxism, and black survival, and including Black feminist and LGBTQ perspectives, Andrews explores the true roots of this tradition. He shows how its rich past encompasses figures such as Marcus Garvey, Angela Davis, and the Black Panthers, and then connects the dots to today’s struggles by showing what the politics of Black radicalism might look like in the twenty-first century.

Andrews maintains there is hope that revolutionary change is possible. But he warns there can be no hesitation or excuses: “It’s already too late to be standing on the side-lines waiting to see whether you should commit.” Back to Black is the definitive book on the roots and evolution of Black radicalism. It is a radiant call to action from one of the world’s most daring Black political voices.

Kehinde Andrews is associate professor of sociology at Birmingham City University. He is also the chair of Black Studies Association and of the Organisation of Black Unity. He writes for the Guardian and the Independent.
The Red Years
Forbidden Poems from Inside North Korea

Translated by Heinz Insu Fenkl

Though North Korea holds the attention of the world, it is still rare for us to hear North Korean voices, beyond those few who have escaped. Known only by his pen name, the poet and author Bandi stands as one of the most distinctive and original dissident writers to emerge from the country. What makes his work even more striking is that Bandi continues to reside in North Korea, writing in secret, with his work smuggled out of the country by his supporters.

Born in North Korea, Bandi spent his childhood in China before returning as a young man. Initially writing for North Korean magazines, the focus of Bandi’s writing changed forever after the deaths of many people close to him during the great famine of the 1990s. The experiences of this time made him resolve to share with the outside world a true likeness of the harsh North Korean society as he himself saw it. With the help of a relative, he was able to smuggle a collection of his poems and stories to South Korea. The first part of this manuscript achieved international acclaim when it was published as the short story collection *The Accusation: Forbidden Stories from Inside North Korea*. Now, *The Red Years* represents the first collection of Bandi’s poetry to be made available in English. With these poems, Bandi gives us a rare glimpse into everyday life and survival in North Korea. Singularly poignant and evocative, *The Red Years* stands as a testament to the power of the human spirit to endure and resist even the most repressive of regimes.

_Bandi* (a pseudonym meaning “firefly”) is an author and poet living in North Korea. _Heinz Insu Fenkl_ is an author, editor, translator, and folklorist.
For centuries, China has been known as the Middle Kingdom. This name clearly indicates the country's place as the powerhouse of the East, but it also serves as a reminder that China is surrounded by dozens of other countries that are intimately linked to its fate. At times, these neighbors have tried to encroach on China’s power, but in the past decades China has retaken its place as the undisputed cultural, economic, and political center of Asia. And that leaves countries across the continent facing an uncertain future. Does China’s rise threaten its neighbors? And what, ultimately, is its end goal? Nowhere are these questions more pressing than in the Pacific, where those who share maritime space with China are finding themselves directly in the path of the country’s expanding territorial claims.

In *China and Her Neighbours*, Michael Tai finds answers to these questions through an in-depth exploration of China’s past. He takes us through thousands of years of Chinese and Asian history, looking at China’s evolving relations with Japan, Vietnam, the Philippines, and Malaysia specifically. Tai considers how in the past the Chinese state has handled its colonial powers, its territorial disputes, and its tensions with countries like Japan and the United States. As Tai shows, looking closer at how history has shaped the current regime’s views of regional integration and global governance can reveal much about its future ambitions on the continent.

While the disputes in the Pacific have attracted widespread attention, few works have considered the wider historical context of these tensions. This makes *China and Her Neighbours* an essential and distinctive perspective on one of the key confrontations of the twenty-first century.
Taiwan is one of the great paradoxes of the international order. It has its own flag, currency, government, and military, but most of the world does not recognize it as a sovereign country. It is an island that China regards as a rebellious province, but which has managed to survive defiantly for decades as an independent nation. However, with China becoming a major power on the world stage and with its ally the United States, looking increasingly inward, Taiwan’s position has never been more precarious.

In *The Trouble with Taiwan*, Kerry Brown and Kalley Wu Tzu Hu offer a much-needed, up-to-date look at how this island country came to represent one of the most complex diplomatic issues of the twenty-first century. They show how the island’s shifting fortunes have been shaped by conquest, colonialism, and a cast of dynamic characters. And they explain how Taiwan is attempting to find its place in a rapidly changing world order, all while caught between the agendas of two superpowers. *The Trouble with Taiwan* relates the story of a fascinating nation and culture and how its disputed status speaks to a wider, global story about Chinese control and waning US influence.

**Kerry Brown** is professor of Chinese studies and director of the Lau China Institute at King’s College, London. He is the author of *CEO China: The Rise of Xi Jinping* and coauthor of *China and the New Maoists*, the latter from Zed Books. **Kalley Wu Tzu Hu** is a researcher and international financial consultant specializing in China. She is a native of Taiwan.
Mr. Li and Mrs. Wu from Zhejiang abandoned their second baby daughter at a marketplace and are still reeling thirty-two years later. Mrs. Wang Maochen from Beijing has seven children, but six of them—all illegal—cannot go to school, get a job, go to the doctor, marry, or even buy a train ticket. An Li from Guangzhou spent her childhood in a town where there were no sisters or brothers and so did not learn about the idea of a sibling until she went to college. Each of these lives is unique, yet their experiences are all achingly common in modern China.

With the Chinese government now seeking to phase out its one-child policy, Secrets and Siblings reveals the scale of its tragic consequences, showing how Chinese families and society have been forever changed. It is based on the personal testimonies of people from across Chinese society, and it tells of both the horrors and hopes created by the one child policy than ran from 1980 to 2015. In doing so, this book also overturns many of our misconceptions about family life in China, arguing that it is the state, rather than popular prejudice, that has hindered the adoption of girls within China.

At once brutal and beautifully hopeful, Secrets and Siblings is a timely look at this issue as the children of a once one-child state are now becoming adults.

Mari Manninen is a journalist with the Finnish daily newspaper Helsingin Sanomat. She lived for four years in Beijing, where she reported on China’s rapidly changing society.
It seems almost impossible to talk about trade without immediately invoking the idea of war. Countries like the United States and China slap tariffs on each other in a tit-for-tat fight over imbalances and surpluses. And on the ideological side, there has raged a decades-long contest between two extremes: free trade ideologues who regard trade as an end in itself, and protectionists, who view it as a destructive force to be contained. We seem to be in an endless cycle of trade battles, and it has left much of the world on the losing side. But these tired approaches don’t have to be the default approach. There is another way to trade—one with the interests of people, not profit, at its heart.

In this visionary work, Christian Felber, founder of the Economy for the Common Good movement, offers a dazzling new paradigm for the global trading order. Moving past the “free trade religion” that has reigned since Adam Smith, Felber champions an alternative approach in which trade serves the wider interests of society, incorporating the key issues of our time: human rights, climate change, and the growing divide between richer and poorer countries. He proposes the groundbreaking idea of an “Ethical Trade Zone,” founded on a principled approach to tariffs and trade policies, and built with international cooperation on trade, taxation, and labor.

Trading for Good is a refreshing new approach to our global trade system that calls on all of us to think differently and trade more ethically. Felber shows how this brave new economic world can be built democratically from the grassroots up and how trading for good can be made a reality.

Christian Felber is an economist and university lecturer at the Vienna University of Economics and Business. He cofounded the NGO Attac Austria and the movement Economy for the Common Good. His previous books include Change Everything: Creating an Economy for the Common Good, also from Zed Books, the new edition of which is in this catalog.
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**The Unknowers**

How Strategic Ignorance Rules the World

Ignorance is power. We are witnessing a cultural shift where those with experience or education are derided and everyday people are increasingly pushed into narrow silos of incomplete or completely wrong information. Why, in an age where knowledge is a tap or click away, are we stuck in this bewildering fog? While editorials and election post-mortems are often quick to blame uninformed voters, there may be a more Machiavellian force behind it all.

Using high profile examples—from the financial scandals to pharmaceutical price gouging—Linsey McGoey reveals how ignorance is more than just an absence of knowledge, but a useful tool in political and economic life. She explores how financial and political elites have become highly adept at harnessing ignorance for their own ends: strategically minimizing their responsibility and passing blame onto others. And how, in a post-truth era in which average citizens are deterred from widening their views of the world, it is the rich and powerful who benefit from ignorance most.

Exploring the influence of the “known unknowns,” *The Unknowers* shines a light on how elite ignorance is transforming all of our daily lives.

**Linsey McGoey** is a faculty member at the University of Essex. She is the author of *No Such Thing as a Free Gift* and coeditor of the Routledge International Handbook of Ignorance Studies, and she has written for the *Guardian, Times, Spectator, Jacobin,* and *Fortune.*

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Praise for *No Such Thing as a Free Gift*

“Path-breaking.”

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“Valuable . . . . McGoey illuminates a major cultural shift in leadership and control of power in the United States. Highly recommended.”

—Choice
The Development Dictionary
A Guide to Knowledge as Power

Edited by WOLFGANG SACHS

The Development Dictionary is one of the most used and widely known critical guides in the field of development studies. It brings together some of the world’s most eminent scholars and practitioners to break down the key terms that underpin the field. More than a mere glossary of terms, this collection ultimately serves as an “obituary of development.” As Wolfgang Sachs has explained, this is an “inventory of development credos, their history and implications, in order to expose in the harsh glare of sunlight their perceptual bias, their historical inadequacy, and their imaginative sterility.”

Each essay in this classic collection looks at one key development concept, such as environment, needs, progress, and production. The concepts are examined from a historical and anthropological point of view, and any biases or intellectual flaws are highlighted. Taken together, the essays in this collection challenge globalist views and the prevailing idea that economic development is the solution to all problems. They show that development comes at the expense of diversity, both among people and in nature. They also decry the division of the world into developed and undeveloped regions. The authors argue that we must bid farewell to Eurocentric development in order to liberate people’s minds in both the global North and South and to mobilize for bold responses to the environmental and ethical challenges now confronting humanity.

This provocative book continues to be an indispensable resource for scholars, practitioners, movements, and students—one that invites us to recognize the tinted glasses we put on whenever we participate in the development discourse.

Wolfgang Sachs is research director at the Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy in Germany. He teaches at Schumacher College and is honorary professor at the University of Kassel. His other books include Planet Dialectics: Explorations in Environment and Development and Fair Future: Resource Conflicts, Security, and Global Justice Edited, both from Zed Books.
China’s Asian Dream
Empire Building along the New Silk Road

New Edition

China,” Napoleon is said to have remarked, “is a sleeping lion. Let her sleep, for when she wakes she will shake the world.”

In 2014, President Xi Jinping triumphantly declared that the lion had awoken. Under his leadership, China is pursuing a dream to restore its historic position as the dominant power in Asia—and possibly across the entire world.

Today, with US power waning and Europe in a state of uncertainty, China’s dream is closer than ever. From holding its ground in trade wars with the United States, to presenting itself as a world leader in the fight against climate change, a newly confident China is flexing its economic muscles for strategic ends. And with the Belt and Road Initiative, billed as a new Silk Road for the twenty-first Century, China is set to extend its influence throughout Eurasia and across the South China Sea and the Indian Ocean, drawing its neighbors ever tighter into its embrace. But with the Chinese and US militaries also vying over the Pacific, does this newfound confidence put China on a collision course with America?

Combining a geopolitical overview with on-the-ground reportage from a dozen countries, this new edition of China’s Asian Dream engages with the most recent developments in the ongoing story of China’s ascendancy, and it offers new insights into what the rise of China means not only for Asia, but for the world.

Tom Miller is a senior analyst at Gavekal Research, a global economic research service, and former editor-at-large of China Economic Quarterly. He is the author of China’s Urban Billion: The Story behind the Biggest Migration in Human History also from Zed Books. Miller now lives in England but spends much of his time traveling in Asia.

Praise for the previous edition

“Understanding the philosophy behind China’s national aspirations will be a defining task of twenty-first-century diplomacy. In that vein, China’s Asian Dream will prove essential reading.”
—Wall Street Journal

“Ambitious... Written in accessible language and persuasively argued.”
—Pacific Affairs

Tom Miller
“The roots of ethnic and religious conflict in Myanmar, especially in relation to anti-Muslim hatred, stretch back further than is often acknowledged. By training his analysis on relatable perspective via rich reporting, Wade seeks to trace the lineage of violence, for which some of Myanmar’s present-day leading lights and even venerated monks are culpable, in an investigation that’s at once illuminating and sobering.”

—Los Angeles Review of Books

For decades the situation in Myanmar or Burma has been portrayed as a case of good citizens versus a bad regime—a peaceful population beholden to Buddhist ideals of non-violence and tolerance trying to endure amid a strong-armed and suffocating rule over the country. But in recent years, this narrative has been upended. In June 2012, violence between Buddhists and Muslims in western Burma pointed to a growing divide between religious communities that had previously received little attention from the outside world. Then, in 2017, extreme violent attacks on Muslims spread rapidly across the country.

As journalist Francis Wade shows in this new edition of his on-the-ground look at the circumstances in Myanmar, the violence, spurred on by monks, pro-democracy activists, and politicians, has illuminated a hard truth: that in ethnically diverse societies undergoing the pains of political transition, communities once united in their opposition to ruling powers can turn against one another in the cruelest of ways. In *Myanmar’s Enemy Within*, Wade offers a gripping and vital account of the increasingly dangerous phenomenon of Buddhist extremism, uncovering how complex societies can be exploited by a ruling elite unnerved by democratization. Wade reveals how some of the most respected and articulate voices for democracy in Burma have turned against the Muslim population at a time when the majority of citizens are beginning to experience freedoms unseen for half a century.

“Lucid . . . exceptionally timely . . . vital to understanding how things could go so disastrously wrong. Wade predicted the miserable fate of Myanmar’s hated Muslim minority.”—Economist

Francis Wade is a freelance journalist. His work has appeared in the *Guardian*, *TIME*, *Foreign Policy Magazine*, the *Los Angeles Review of Books*, and others. He previously worked as an editor and reporter for the Democratic Voice of Burma, an exiled Burmese news organization based in Thailand. He lives in London.
Is it possible for businesses to have a bottom line that is not profit and endless growth, but human dignity, justice, sustainability, and democracy? Or an alternative economic model that is untainted by the greed and crises of current financial systems? Christian Felber says it is. Moreover, in *Change Everything*, he shows us how.

In this new and updated edition of the book that sparked a global movement, Christian Felber proposes a still-relevant blueprint for an economics of everybody: ethical, dignified, sustainable, and principled. He calls this the “Economy for the Common Good,” or ECG. Today, this concept has grown from idea into a broad international movement. ECG is a people-centered approach that could sweep away austerity, support human (and humane) development, repair our damaged environment, and utterly reorient our relationship to work, money, and the purpose of both. Its vision is just short of breathtaking, but it remains grounded in reality, as evidenced by the fact that thousands of people, companies, communities, and organizations are participating, developing, and implementing it.

“Felber and his associates have created ‘The Economy for the Common Good,’ a utopian vision of society based on community values where altruism is rewarded and political and economic power returned to the people. In *Change Everything*, Felber lays out a plan for this new society, based on the idea that ‘all economic activity should serve the common good.’ . . . Finishing it, I found myself wanting to live somewhere where the Economy for the Common Good applies, and eager to follow up this book with some action.”—Peace News

**Christian Felber** is an economist and university lecturer at the Vienna University of Economics and Business. He cofounded the NGO Attac Austria and the Economy for the Common Good. His books include *Trading from Good*, also listed in this catalog from Zed Books.
Clothing Poverty

The Hidden World of Fast Fashion and Second-Hand Clothes

Have you ever stopped and wondered where your jeans came from? Who made them and where? And have you ever wondered where they end up after you donate them for recycling?

Following one pair of jeans from creation to landfill, Clothing Poverty takes the reader on a vivid around-the-world tour to reveal how clothes are manufactured and retailed, bringing to light how fast fashion and recycling are interconnected. Andrew Brooks shows how recycled clothes are traded across continents and uncovers how retailers and international charities are embroiled in commodity chains, which perpetuate poverty, and he exposes the hidden trade networks which transect the globe.

In this new and updated edition, Brooks retraces his steps to look at the fashion industry today, and considers how, if at all, the industry has changed in response to mounting consumer pressure for more ethical clothing. Stitching together rich narratives from Mozambican markets, Nigerian smugglers, and Chinese factories to London’s vintage clothing scene, TOMS shoes, and Vivienne Westwood’s ethical fashion lines, Brooks uncovers the many hidden sides of fashion.

“Many of us, clothes consumers in the West, are aware of the poor working conditions in Asian sweatshops existing side-by-side with multinational companies’ growing revenues. In this context, donating one’s used clothes seems like an act of consumer redemption—an opportunity to redistribute one’s problematic purchases to those less well-off. Clothing Poverty is a cold shower to such wishful thinking.”

—Dagna Rams, Africa at LSE

Andrew Brooks is a lecturer in development geography at King’s College London. He is the author of The End of Development: A Global History of Poverty and Prosperity, also from Zed Books.
In 2018, Palestinians marked the seventieth anniversary of the Nakba, a mass eviction that saw more than 70,000 people uprooted and forced to flee their homes in the early days of the Israeli–Palestinian conflict. Even today, the bitterness and trauma of the Nakba remains raw, and it has become the pivotal event both in the shaping of Palestinian identity and in galvanizing their resistance to occupation. Efforts at preserving the memory of the Nakba have resulted in an unparalleled body of rich oral testimony, with which historians and other scholars have been able to tell the story of this epochal event through the voices of the Palestinians who lived it. This multidisciplinary collection uses oral history as a means of uncovering new insights both into Palestinian experiences of the Nakba and into the wider dynamics of the ongoing conflict. In drawing together Palestinian accounts from 1948 with those of the present day, the book also confronts the idea of the Nakba as an event consigned to the past, instead revealing it to be an ongoing process aimed at the erasure of Palestinian history and memory.

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Facing Patriarchy
From a Violent Gender Order to a Culture of Peace

BOB PEASE

Facing Patriarchy combines feminist theory, critical masculinity studies, critical psychology, international relations, and peace studies to address the problem of men’s violence and to challenge current thinking about violence against women.

Bob Pease argues that an interactionist and structural analysis of gender is required to understand the links between gender and men’s violence against women. He shows that this brutality needs to be understood in the context of other forms of men’s violence, including violence against boys and other men, the involvement of men in wars, and the ecologically destructive practices behind environmental violence. Throughout the book, Pease addresses the co-opting of feminist analysis by the state, the discursive constitution of gender and violence, and the location of violence in relations of production and reproduction. He deftly combines all of this with the latest research in contemporary critical masculinity studies.

With crucial implications for priorities in violence prevention, gender equality promotion, and in strategies for engaging men in this work, Facing Patriarchy offers new strategies for working towards the elimination of men’s violence.

Bob Pease is professor of social work at the University of Tasmania. He is the author of A Man’s World? Changing Men’s Practices in a Globalized World andUndoing Privilege: Unearned Advantage in a Divided World, both from Zed Books. He is coeditor of Men, Masculinities and Methodologies and Men, Masculinities and Disaster.

Climate Futures
Reimagining Global Climate Justice

Edited by KUM-KUM BHAVNANI, JOHN FORAN, PRIYA A. KURIAN, and DEBASHISH MUNSHI

The planet is in grave danger and yet we are stuck bickering over who’s right and who’s wrong about its destruction. Climate Futures argues that we need to get past the divisions of us vs. them and acknowledge how lives of creatures far and near, human and non-human, are interconnected. Moving away from the entrenched camps of climate debates, this collection brings in a refreshing range of diverse perspectives from across the spectrums of culture, gender, indigeneity, race, and sexuality that also challenge colonial history and capitalist paradigms. It also brings together interdisciplinary insights from scholars, policymakers, creatives, and activists.

Climate Futures boldly addresses the apparent inevitability of climate chaos. Seeking better explanations of the underlying causes and consequences of climate change, and mapping strategies toward a better future—or at a minimum, the most likely best-case world that we can get to—this book envisions planetary social movements robust enough to spark the necessary changes needed to achieve a deeply sustainable and just future.

Kum-Kum Bhavnani is professor of sociology, global studies, and feminist studies at the University of California, Santa Barbara. John Foran is professor of sociology and environmental studies at the University of California, Santa Barbara. Priya A. Kuran is professor of political science and public policy at the University of Waikato. Debashish Munshi is professor of management communication at the University of Waikato.
Despite the disasters of Iraq, Afghanistan, Syria, and many more, the idea that we can have “humanitarian intervention” enjoys widespread legitimacy and continues to exercise an unshakeable grip on our imaginations. This is codified in the Just War Theory and the Responsibility to Protect (R2P) doctrine. In Just War and the Responsibility to Protect, Robin Dunford and Michael Neu provide a clear and comprehensive critique of both concepts, deconstructing the philosophical, moral, and political arguments that underpin them. In doing so, they show how proponents of Just War and R2P have tended to treat killing in a way that obscures the complex and often messy realities of war while paying little heed to the human impact of such conflicts. Going further, they give answers to such difficult questions as “Would it have been just for us to intervene in the Rwandan genocide?”

This is an essential guide to one of the most difficult moral and political issues of our age that will be a core text for anyone in international relations, security, war studies, and political philosophy.

Robin Dunford is a senior lecturer in globalization and war at the University of Brighton. Michael Neu is a senior lecturer in philosophy, politics, and ethics at the University of Brighton.
South Sudan came into existence amidst a wave of optimism in 2011, in a development that the New York Times proclaimed was “nothing short of miraculous.” Yet, in the years since, the country has slid into violence and conflict. A culture of corruption and impunity has spread across the country, disrupting the fledgling justice system. The people of South Sudan have not given up, however. Some have figured out their own ways of navigating the system and asserting their rights. Others, including a courageous network of lawyers, activists, and citizens, are fighting to fix the system and hold the government accountable.

South Sudan’s Injustice System looks at how justice plays out in a variety of settings, from refugee camps to rural chiefs’ courts, and in cases ranging from communal land disputes to the country’s turbulent peace process. It is based on extensive research in South Sudan through a collaborative research project carried out with South Sudanese activists and legal practitioners. At its heart, this is a people’s story of South Sudan—as Rachel Ibreck shows, what works in this troubled country is what people do for themselves.

Rachel Ibreck is a lecturer in politics and international relations at Goldsmiths, University of London. She is currently researching the everyday experiences of customary and statutory justice during the conflict in South Sudan for the Justice and Security Research Programme at the London School of Economics.

Christopher Finnigan is a journalist who lived in Barcelona, during which time he wrote for the Barcelona Metropolitan and El Pais. His work has also appeared in the Guardian, New Statesman, and the Independent. He now lives in London.
In 2004, the UN’s Humanitarian Coordinator for Sudan called Darfur the world’s worst humanitarian crisis. That was soon followed by a comprehensive food aid program that was, at the time, the largest global response of its kind. Yet, more than a decade later, much of the population is still in trouble, as the Sudanese regime effectively controls who receives aid and who goes without. As a result, chronic malnutrition endures.

Food Aid in Sudan argues that the situation in Sudan is emblematic of a far wider problem. Analyzing the history of food aid in the country over fifty years, Susanne Jaspars shows that such aid often serves to enrich local regimes and the private sector while leaving war-torn populations in a state of permanent emergency. Drawing on her decades of experience as an aid worker and researcher in the region, and extensive interviews with workers in the food aid process, Jaspars brings together two of the key topics of our time: the failure of the humanitarian system to respond to today’s crises and the crisis in the global food system. Sudan has long been used as a test bed for humanitarian strategies, and the implications of Jasper’s findings will be relevant to aid practices globally. This will be essential reading for students and researchers across the social sciences studying the nature and effectiveness of contemporary humanitarianism, development, and international aid.

Susanne Jaspars has worked in the field of humanitarian aid for over thirty years, both as a practitioner and researcher. She is the coauthor of Nutrition Matters: People, Food and Famine.
Why do so many people in South Africa live in severe poverty despite the nation being celebrated as a beacon of democracy and reconciliation?

The Eastern Cape Provincial Growth and Development Plan (PGDP) was a groundbreaking project that with the backing of the United Nations Development Programme attempted to forge a ten-year plan to eliminate poverty, unemployment, and inequality in the province. Coming at a time when social movements in South Africa were at their most vocal and visible, the PGDP was consciously seized on in the Eastern Cape as a chance to mount a radical policy challenge to the status quo. But it was soon undermined and obstructed by the South African state.

Development Planning in South Africa uses John Reynolds’s first-hand engagement working on the PGDP. Drawing on the strategic–relational approach pioneered by Bob Jessop, Reynolds’s empirically rich study explores the ways in which this challenge was negotiated and eventually neutralized. The first of its kind, Development Planning in South Africa provides an essential micro-level study with profound implications for how we understand state power is organized and expressed in state policy, both in South Africa and beyond.

Stefano Ponte is professor of business and politics at Copenhagen Business School and director at the CBS Sustainability Platform. He is the author of The Coffee Paradox, also from Zed Books, as well as Brand Aid: Shopping Well to Save the World and New Actors and Alliances in Development.

John Reynolds is the founding head of the Neil Aggett Labour Studies Unit in the Institute of Social and Economic Research at Rhodes University.

Business, Power and Sustainability in a World of Global Value Chains

Stefano Ponte

Business, Power and Sustainability in a World of Global Value Chains is the first book to link the concept of Global Value Chains (GVCs) to the cause of environmental sustainability. Both concepts have seen huge growth over the last decade, and their areas of overlap have crucial implications for the world. It is also the first book to integrate GVCs and Multi-Stakeholder Initiatives (MSIs), a result of new hybrid forms of governance where business, civil society, and public actors interact at different levels.

Based on more than fifteen years of theoretical engagement and field research, this book draws from both labor-intensive value chains, such as the agro-food sector, and from capital-intensive value chains, such as shipping and aviation, to discuss how sustainability governance can be best designed, managed, and institutionalized in today’s world of GVCs. Stefano Ponte starts with current theoretical and analytical efforts aimed at including sustainability issues in GVC governance theory, and then expands on recent work by introducing the concept of environmental upgrading. Through new conceptions of orchestration, he provides suggestions for how governments and international organizations can best facilitate the achievement of sustainability goals. This will be essential reading on the governance of sustainability in the twenty-first century.

Stefano Ponte is professor of business and politics at Copenhagen Business School and director at the CBS Sustainability Platform. He is the author of The Coffee Paradox, also from Zed Books, as well as Brand Aid: Shopping Well to Save the World and New Actors and Alliances in Development.

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The Political Economy of Conflict and Violence against Women
Towards Feminist Framings from the South
Edited by KUMUDINI SAMUEL, CLAIRE SLATTER, and VAGISHA GUNASEKARA for DAWN

Political Economy of Conflict and Violence against Women shows how political, economic, social, and ideological processes intersect to shape conflict-related, gender-based violence against women. Through feminist interrogations of the politics of economies, struggles for political power, and the gender order, this collection reveals how sexual orders and regimes are linked to spaces of production. It argues that these spaces are themselves firmly anchored in overlapping patriarchies, which are sustained and reproduced during and after war through violence that is physical as well as structural.

Through an analysis of legal regimes and structures of social arrangements, the contributors frame militarization as a political–economic dynamic, offering a radical critique of those liberal peacebuilding and peace-making processes that do not challenge patriarchy or modes of production and accumulation.

Kumudini Samuel is a founder of the Women and Media Collective, Sri Lanka, and a member of the Prime Minister’s Task Force on Violence against Women in Sri Lanka. She is also member of the Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era (DAWN) Executive Committee as well as a visiting lecturer at the University of Colombo. Claire Slatter is a senior lecturer in the politics of development and human rights at the School of Government, Development and International Affairs at the University of the South Pacific in Fiji. She is also a founding member of DAWN, and current chair of the DAWN Board. Vagisha Gunasekara is the executive director of the American Institute for Sri Lankan Studies.

Now in Paperback
Liberia’s Women Veterans
War, Roles and Reintegration
LEENA VASTAPUU
Illustrated by Emmi Nieminen

The Liberian civil wars of the 1990s and 2000s were notorious for their atrocities and the widespread use of child soldiers by both sides. Young girls accounted for up to forty percent of these combatants, but their unique perspective and experiences have largely been excluded from accounts of the conflict.

In Liberia’s Women Veterans, Leena Vastapuu uses an innovative “auto-photographic” methodology to tell the story of two of Africa’s most brutal civil wars through the eyes of 133 former female child soldiers. It allows the book to provide a palpable account of these women’s experiences of trauma and stigma. It also illustrates the challenges of reintegration into postwar society, as well as the women’s hopes and aspirations for the future. Vastapuu argues that these women, too often perceived merely as passive victims of the conflict, can in fact play an important role in postwar reconciliation and peace building. In the process, the work overturns gendered perceptions of warfare and militarism and provides an exceptional take on postconflict societies.

Leena Vastapuu has written and researched widely on warfare and humanitarian issues, with a particular interest in the impact of conflict on women and gender roles.
The Myth of Development
Non-viable Economies and the Crisis of Civilization

OSWALDO DE RIVERO

The Myth of Development boldly states that the benefits of development, long promised over the past sixty years, have not come about for most people. Nor are they going to. State-driven and market-led development models have both failed. Many countries, and their cities, in particular, are collapsing into ungovernable chaotic entities. Oswaldo de Rivero shows that the root of this chaos is not simply economic but also stems from a much more profound crisis of our way of life and of our unsustainable global urban civilization. Arguing that the “wealth of nations” agenda must be replaced by a “survival of nations” agenda in order to prevent increasing human misery and political disorder, de Rivero explains why many countries must abandon dreams of development and adopt instead a policy of national survival based on providing basic water, food, renewable energy, and stabilizing their populations. Featuring a new introduction by the author, this edition engages with the latest findings on climate change and assesses the prospects for our species in the decades ahead.

Oswaldo de Rivero is a diplomat and ambassador (retired) with the Foreign Service of Peru, serving in London, Moscow, Geneva, and New York. He has also been Peru’s Permanent Representative to the World Trade Organization and to the United Nations Offices in Geneva and New York, and he sat on the United Nations Security Council. He has written numerous essays and articles in *Le Monde Diplomatique* and the *UNESCO Courier*.
A Radical History of Development Studies
Individuals, Institutions and Ideologies
New Edition
Edited and with a New Introduction by UMA KOTHARI

A Radical History of Development Studies traces the history of the subject from the late colonial period all the way through to contemporary ideas of poverty reduction. In this now-classic genealogy of development, the authors look at the contested evolution and roles of development institutions and explore changes in development discourses. Combining personal and institutional reflections with an examination of key themes, including gender and development, NGOs, and natural resource management, A Radical History of Development Studies challenges mainstream development theory and practice and highlights concealed, critical discourses that have been written out of conventional stories of development. This new edition features a new introduction from Uma Kothari.

The volume is intended to stimulate thinking on future directions for the discipline. It also provides an indispensable resource for students coming to grips with the historical continuities and divergences in the theory and practice of development.

Uma Kothari is a senior lecturer in development studies at the School of Environment and Development, University of Manchester. She is coeditor of Participation: The New Tyranny, from Zed Books, and Development Theory and Practice: Critical Perspectives.

History of Development
From Western Origins to Global Faith
New Edition
GILBERT RIST

In this landmark text, Gilbert Rist provides a comprehensive and compelling overview of what the idea of development has meant throughout history. He traces it from its origins in the Western view of history, through the early stages of the world system, the rise of US hegemony and the supposed triumph of third-worldism, to new concerns about the environment and globalization. Assessing possible postdevelopment models and considering the ecological dimensions of development, Rist contemplates the ways forward. Throughout, he argues persuasively that development has been no more than a collective delusion, which in reality has resulted only in widening market relations, whatever the intentions of its advocates. This is an essential, classic development text written by one of the leaders of postdevelopment theory.

Gilbert Rist is professor emeritus at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva. He is also the author of The Delusions of Economics from Zed Books.
Drawing on the experiences of many abuse survivors, this book concerns the lives of men who were sexually abused as boys. The term traumasexuality provides an original perspective on this abuse, encapsulating an exceptional new theory on the inner psychological damage that sexual abuse inflicts on boys. Peter John Schouten uses accounts and descriptions from his own psychotherapeutic practice conversations to demonstrate how men who have been abused in their youth often discover after many years that the abuse influences every aspect of their adult lives, foremost their own sexuality. He also shows that their partners do not realize they have essentially entered into triangular relationships with both these men and their abusers. Offering careful, sensitive, and practical advice, Traumasexuality demonstrates how partners can be of great help in healing.

Peter John Schouten is a licensed psychotherapist who has worked for thirty years as a counselor with men sexually abused as boys. His own sexual abuse at a very early age and the enormous amount of information from all the men who shared their stories with him have resulted in in-depth knowledge and many new insights.
A Jewish Woman of Distinction
The Life and Diaries of Zinaida Poliakova
CHAERAN Y. FREEZE
Translated by Gregory L. Freeze

Zinaida Poliakova (1863–1953) was the eldest daughter of Lazar Solomonovich Poliakov, one of the three brothers known as the Russian Rothschilds. They were moguls who dominated Russian finance and business and built almost a quarter of the railroad lines in Imperial Russia.

For more than seventy-five years, Poliakova kept detailed diaries of her world, giving us a rare look into the exclusive world of Jewish elites in Moscow and St. Petersburg. These rare documents reveal how Jews successfully integrated into Russian aristocratic society through their intimate friendships and patronage of the arts and philanthropy. And they did it all without converting—in fact, while staunchly demonstrating their Jewishness.

Glikl bas Leib (1646–1724) was a Jewish businesswoman and memoirist. Chava Turniansky is professor emerita in the Department of Yiddish at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. She is a member of the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities and an Israel Prize Laureate. Sara Friedman is a translator and has taught translation and translation theory at Bar-Ilan University and Beit Berl College.
Medical professionals are often viewed as a special breed of stoic figures whose tough grace allows them to stay strong as they confront human frailty and tragedy on a daily basis. *Human* is a new anthology that aims to dispel this unhelpful line of thought, revealing a more realistic picture of individuals shaped by forces—good and bad—just like the rest of us. Collecting writing from medical students around the world, *Human* aims to demystify medical education by showing the vulnerability in a group typically viewed as indestructible. It also seeks to remind medical trainees that, even though it may feel like their lives have been put on hold for the sake of their education, they are continually growing and evolving, and as worthy of love and a full life as anyone else—in short, that they are human.

Tolu Kehinde is a student at the Geisel School of Medicine and MBA candidate at the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College.
The Rest Between Two Notes
Selected Works

By integrating contemporary photography with historical periods and settings around the world, Fran Forman creates a world of illusion. Upon closer inspection, elements of her work that appear ordinary suggest an underlying tension and an aura of mystery. A collection of 100 of Forman’s photo-paintings, *The Rest Between Two Notes: Selected Works* explores life’s liminal and in-between moments—coming and leaving; innocence and confidence; shadow and light; night and day; absence and connection; loss and longing; not quite the past and not yet the future. Portals, both real and metaphorical, frequent her layered, complex, and often dark, dreamlike images.

Forman, a photographic and mixed-media artist of international reknown, is recognized for her strong, harmonious compositions and her explosive use of color, light, and shadow. Expressed in the diffused colors of twilight and chiaroscuro, her images blur the boundaries between photography, late Renaissance painting, and film noir. In the same way a cinematographer writes a narrative with movement and sound, Forman tells her story with still images, giving them power through their position and relationships to one another. These relationships speak loudly in her work, eliciting in the viewer emotions of desire, vulnerability, and a desperate longing for connection.

Fran Forman is a resident scholar at the Women’s Studies Research Center at Brandeis University. Her work is included in the permanent collections of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, Smithsonian’s National Air and Space Museum, and the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, as well as in numerous private collections. She is represented by galleries in Boston, Dallas, Austin, California, and Beijing.
BEATRIZ CHADOUR-SAMPSON

The Power of Love
Jewels, Romance and Eternity

Romance, love, and courtship are as universal as the precious jewels they inspire, objects we bestow upon loved ones to express deep affection, eternal commitment, or passionate desire. *The Power of Love: Jewels, Romance and Eternity* traces the history of these ornaments, exploring their origins, their changing fashions, and their cultural significance over time and across cultures.

In *The Power of Love*, international art historian and jewelry expert Beatriz Chadour-Sampson sheds new light on the storied pasts of these magnificent jewels, providing important context and historical analysis. The ring is the most personal of all jewels, its circular form symbolizing the everlasting union of two people. Though the tradition of giving a betrothal or wedding ring as a promise of marriage goes back to ancient Rome, it was not until the fifteenth century that diamond rings came to be associated with marriage. From the earliest times, rubies or garnets were emblems of passionate love; diamonds or rock crystals symbolized virtue and constancy; sapphires denoted eternal love; and emeralds signified desire and hope. Decorative motifs such as clasped hands, lovers’ knots, crowned hearts, Cupid’s arrows, flowers with hidden messages, snakes, and butterflies were imaginatively used by jewelers to create symbols of romantic love.

The stories presented in this volume—accompanied by one hundred color photos—illustrate and illuminate these mysterious precious stones.

*Beatriz Chadour-Sampson* is a jewelry historian, author, and lecturer. She is the author of several books, including *Pearls and Rings of the 20th and 21st Centuries: The Alice and Louis Koch Collection*. She has been consultant and curator for jewelry collections at a number of institutions, including the Swiss National Museum in Zurich, the Victoria and Albert Museum in London, and the Dallas Museum of Art.
Highly readable and featuring ninety-six color illustrations, *The Geometry of Beauty* is a robust history of the art and artists of the geometric abstract movements and an important contribution to our understanding of a body of work that has yet to be fully appreciated.

“The author’s thoughtful consideration of Alan Reynolds, Peter Joseph, Marc Vaux, John Carter, Callum Innes, and Luke Frost—six artists whose beautiful and deeply intelligent work Bartos reveres and collects—examines why geometric abstraction developed as a side-stream to figuration in British art, appreciated more enthusiastically abroad than at home. Interviews with the artists and those who knew them, illustrated with fine examples across a range of media, explore what drew each to pursue a means of expression that developed against the grain of British modernism. These thoughtful conversations press for a serious reconsideration of the artists’ work and of British geometric abstraction more generally.”—Amy Meyers, director, Yale Center for British Art

“Bartos offers a compelling account of the rich history and enduring aesthetic power of geometric abstract art. Writing with the passion of a committed collector and the sensibility of an art historian, Bartos doesn’t just chart his subject—he defends its place within the contemporary art world and provokes larger questions about what makes art meaningful. Bartos’s unusual combination of art history, critique, and artist testimony reinvigorates one’s appreciation of contemporary geometric abstract art.”—Barnaby Wright, deputy head of the Courtauld Gallery and the Daniel Katz Curator of 20th Century Art

**James Bartos** had a legal career that took him from his native New York to London in 1987. He has looked at, been a patron of, and occasionally collected art for most of his life. He has a particular passion for abstract and geometric art.
London is full of familiar landmarks. From the historic St. Paul’s Cathedral to Tower Bridge to the modern-day architecture of the Shard, it is a city forever changing and full of surprises around every corner. But there are a few corners of London that can only be seen through the eyes of this book. Robert John’s images in *LDN REiMAGINED* blur the line between truth and fiction and will have readers asking: what is real?

The images in this volume are inspired by Robert John’s late father’s experience with Parkinson’s disease. As his father developed Parkinson’s dementia, he began to see things that were not visible to anyone else. More than that, he could smell them, touch them, hear them, feel them. His father’s visions caused John to rethink our concepts of reality and to explore what is real versus what we choose to see. In creating the series, John returned to his childhood imagination and began to reinterpret the world around him. His work asks us to do the same: to return to that sense of youthful expression, to create entire worlds that are housed solely in the mind, and to share those worlds with one another.

Featuring eighty full-color images, the stunning surrealist artwork in Robert John’s *LDN REiMAGINED* reveals a London readers have never seen before, and they may never see it the same again.

*Robert John* is senior designer at BBC Worldwide and a graphic designer and artist whose work channels the Surrealist movement.
Bernard Leach was as renowned in Japan and the East as in Europe and America as an artist-craftsman and as a thinker. Known in the ceramic world as the “Father of British studio pottery,” his interpretation of Asian traditions in ceramics and his unique philosophy of life were a lodestar for many potters in the West. Throughout his career, his techniques explored the interplay between Eastern and Western art.

Beyond East and West, first published in 1978, is a retrospective of more than ninety years of Bernard Leach’s long, illustrious life. Featuring some of Leach’s most significant writings and full of amusing, sharply-etched recollections, the essays have been placed in chronological order and annotated by the author for more coherence. The recurrent theme of the meeting of East and West is apparent at all levels—artistic, cultural, social, and political—of Leach’s life and writings. This new edition of a classic text, accompanied by new images from the Leach family archive, gives readers an intimate look at the life of one of the world’s most widely known and respected potters.

Bernard Leach (1887–1979) was a British studio potter and art teacher. He founded the Leach Pottery in St. Ives and taught some of the most celebrated ceramicists of the twentieth century.
The Remarkable Life of Jago Stone
Once a Burglar, Always an Artist

“I have chosen to tell Jago’s story through the filter of my own journey of discovery since 1976. The book does not have a linear plot; as new material has come to light through my research, my central role has been to bring this material together in a coherent and readable way. This is a real-time detective story that I am inviting you, the reader, to share.”

This fascinating, unconventional biography traces the life of the prize-winning burglar-turned-international-artist Jago Stone (1928–88). A charismatic rebel who tilted at the windmills of conformity, Stone was also an interesting character, a restless soul, and a talented artist whose watercolors and oil paintings deserve a wider audience.

Rob Donovan’s in-depth research expands on Stone’s own telling in *The Burglar’s Bedside Companion: Astounding True-Life Escapades of a Super Crook*, providing a comprehensive portrait of the life and art of the robber–artist as well as the complex and changing twentieth-century world in which he lived. A rich, illuminating reading experience, *The Remarkable Life of Jago Stone* is compelling and true, and a story worthy of discovery and celebration.

Rob Donovan is a scholar, academic, and writer based in Cornwall. He has written numerous books, including, most recently, *The Road to Corbyn: A Modern-Day Pilgrim’s Progress*. After thirty years in academe, he now leads a creative life as an author.
Guillermo Lorca

“The Eternal Life”

With an Introduction by Edward Lucie-Smith

Guillermo Lorca: “The Eternal Life” is a selection of the work of the last seven years of the renowned Chilean artist Guillermo Lorca. With an introduction by the acclaimed art historian and critic Edward Lucie-Smith, this book introduces us to the work of one of the finest contemporary artists in Chile.

Lorca’s disturbing, poetic oil paintings blend Surrealism with the Spanish Baroque. Characterized by realist art composed of Baroque scenes, his paintings evoke great painters of the past, including Rembrandt, Velázquez, and Caravaggio, and the aesthetics of abundance, opulence, and sensuality exemplified in the Baroque tradition. Lorca places his characters, mostly animals and girls, in magical, discomfiting settings, combining the human psyche with a projection of nature in an effort to create a window into the unconscious mind. His work—ambitious, erotic, poetic, and disconcerting—challenges our expectations about what society is and does.

With one hundred color images, including many close-ups of Lorca’s paintings, readers can explore his techniques and appreciate the scale of his life-sized art. Guillermo Lorca: “The Eternal Life” allows readers to enter Lorca’s world of fantasy and magical realism and take an intimate look at the work of a rising star in contemporary art.

Guillermo Lorca is a figurative painter best known for his large-format works inspired by dreamlike elements. His work has been exhibited in galleries in Chile, Mexico, the United States, Norway, Spain, and Italy. He lives in Santiago, Chile.
Potter, writer, teacher, editor, curator, and gay rights activist, Emmanuel Cooper was a unique figure in the cultural landscape of England for nearly a half-century. With his death in 2012, he left behind an extraordinary body of work and an archive that illuminated his own life and career and that of the many other makers, artists, and activists who surrounded him.

Edited by Cooper’s long-term partner, David Horbury, and drawing from the posthumous archive, this book uses his unpublished memoirs, diaries, and correspondence to tell the story of an intelligent, if unconfident, working-class boy from a small mining village whose life was transformed, first by the magic of clay, and later by the liberation politics of the late 1960s.

The book covers Cooper’s career as a potter, his work at the Royal College of Art, and his editorship of the internationally acclaimed Ceramic Review magazine, as well as his thoughts on a range of issues from the art versus craft debate to his passion for folk art. Making Emmanuel Cooper also charts his involvement in the gay liberation movement, including his part in the creation of the hugely influential Gay Left collective and his work as a journalist. His trailblazing books on aspects of queer art and culture—including The Sexual Perspective, published in 1986 to wide critical acclaim—broke new ground at the intersection of sexuality and the visual arts. Richly illustrated, Making Emmanuel Cooper is both a personal and social history that celebrates the life and times of an important artist and a remarkable man.

David Horbury worked as a producer and scriptwriter for the BBC and other media companies. He met Emmanuel Cooper in 1982, and they lived together until Emmanuel’s death in 2012. They celebrated their civil partnership in 2006.
The Churchill Who Saved Blenheim
The Life of Sunny, 9th Duke of Marlborough

History has not been kind to Charles Richard John Spencer-Churchill, 9th Duke of Marlborough, or “Sunny,” as he was known. This is because, as Michael Waterhouse and Karen Wiseman reveal, it was largely written by his first wife, the “dollar princess” Consuelo Vanderbilt. Not an easy man, their marriage was indeed an unhappy one. However, he was not entirely to blame for the unhappiness of his marriage to Consuelo; in fact, it would be fair to say that he was sinned against more than sinned. His second wife, Gladys Deacon, proved far too unstable to be the love and companion of his life. Though he needed love, he never found a woman who loved him enough.

In _The Churchill Who Saved Blenheim_, Waterhouse and Wiseman give us the life of a man who lived through a time of great change and felt the responsibility of preserving his home, Blenheim Palace, and the way of life he knew. He was a quiet, well-educated, introverted man who took his role as head of a great estate most seriously. He cared for his tenants and his servants. To those he loved, he was loyal, generous, unfailingly helpful, and courteous, and when necessary, he was also that rare and valuable thing: a critical friend.

He left Blenheim in a far better state than he found it. This was his greatest achievement. And this is his story.

Michael Waterhouse is the grandson of the 9th Duke. He is the author of many books, including _Edwardian Requiem: A Life of Sir Edward Grey; The Cottage Book: The Undiscovered Country Diary of an Edwardian Statesman_; and _The State of England’s Birds and the Strange Death of British Birdsong_. Karen Wiseman was head of education at Blenheim Palace and is a leading researcher and archivist on the Marlborough family and Blenheim.
Mary Beale was one of the earliest professional women artists in Britain. Her successful career as a Baroque-era portrait artist was documented by her husband, Charles, whose almanacs provide a unique record of Beale’s patrons, painting technique, and family affairs. Her portraits of politicians, clergy, aristocracy, and intellectuals reflect the vibrant literary, scientific, and political scene of the seventeenth century.

Beale is recognized as a feminist icon for her success in the male-driven world of portrait painting, and in addition to being a professional artist, she was also as a poet and author. Her book *Discourse on Friendship*, published in 1667, argued for the equality of husband and wife in marriage—a radical concept at that time. *My Dearest Heart*, the first biography of Mary Beale, features 120 color illustrations of her ground-breaking artistry.
Claudia Schmid’s drawings meet Matt Harvey’s words in this affectionate look at dogs and their humans. *Sit!* is an entertaining, occasionally surreal, but mostly down-to-earth celebration of the strange, satisfying relationship between dogs and their human companions. Featuring beautiful black-and-white line illustrations to accompany Harvey’s amusing and wry poems, it’s the perfect gift book for all dog lovers.

Funny, eccentric, poignant, questionable, and a bit weird, *Sit!* will appeal to readers of the same traits.

Matt Harvey is a poet, lyricist, dog-walker, columnist, and a regular presenter on BBC Radio 4. He is the author of many books, including *The Hole in the Sum of My Parts*, *Where Earwigs Dare*, *Mindless Body Spineless Mind*, and *The Element in the Room: Poems inspired by Renewable Energy*, as well as the book and lyrics for *Rumpelstilstskin the Musical*. Claudia Schmid is an artist based in Totnes, Devon. She is the illustrator of several children’s books, including *In Wolle wickelt sich das Schaf* and *Schabernack*, for which she received the prestigious Troisdorf Picture Book Award for outstanding achievements in the area of artistic picture book illustration.

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**GOOD DOG, SIT**

...ah, so you do understand
with this treat I hold you in the palm of my hand

a moment to savor, a moment to stretch
I can’t make you lie down, roll over or fetch

but this savoury snack between finger and thumb
brings you closer by far than you’ve ever come

to obedience – that’s it, good dog, stop!
this is my triumph, the one time you obey

for this wonderful luminous moment of time
you are mine
you are mine
you are mine

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Praise for Matt Harvey

“Very funny.”
—The Independent

“Not only funny, but tender and true.”
—The Guardian

“Harvey’s poetry puts a smile on your face and leaves a little wisdom in your brain.”
—Fi Glover, BBC Radio 4
Bob Mazzer received his first camera, an Ilford Sporty, as a bar mitzvah gift in 1963. Since then, he has amassed an iconic body of work, documenting the people and places that surround him with humor and humanity. Mazzer’s photographs from his daily commute on the London Underground, spanning more forty-five years and exhibited in his influential Underground series, established him as one of the key documenters of London life in the twenty-first century. In street photography that is striking and unexpectedly personal, his work captures the ups and downs of everyday life.

Bob Mazzer immortalizes the photographer’s hippie life in Wales, loving life in France, expanding life in the United States, local life in Hastings, and of course, Londoner life, including his famous London Underground images. The more than one hundred color photographs housed in this collection are a compact summary of Bob Mazzer’s work since the 1960s and an extraordinary document of social history.

Bob Mazzer is a photographer who worked regularly for Oz and TimeOut magazines. His work has been exhibited at the Photographers Gallery, Serpentine Gallery, Howard Griffin Gallery, Bibliotheque in Paris, and photo festivals in Arles and Cologne.
Chateau, Jardin, Cuisine
Secret Recipes from the Ardèche

Chateau, Jardin, Cuisine highlights the exquisite food and culture of France’s hidden Ardèche region, where Mediterranean traditions combine with the classic cuisine of its northern plateau. Famous for goat cheese and chestnuts, the food of the Ardèche evokes memories of stony fields and rugged castles; remote farms and old stone houses; rivers of eel and wild trout in rock pools; and mountainous land where autumn brings an abundance of game, wine, and mushrooms. Yet, nature has also dealt the Ardèche a difficult hand: the dry soil and steep terrain make farming and cooking with the produce a true labor of love—just like this book.

Explore the Ardèche countryside through the stories of the local families, friends, and neighbors that make up its vibrant community and experience its cuisine through sixty recipes from some of the region’s best cooks. Accompanied by more than two hundred photos, Chateau, Jardin, Cuisine is a celebration of the traditions and history of this remote southern region of France.

Regina von Planta worked in investment management before moving to a small farm in the Ardèche countryside to write about the people and food of the region.
Monemvasia
People Place Presence

Cut off from the Peloponnesian coast by an earthquake in 375 AD, Monemvasia exists at powerful physical and emotional remove from the world. The castle town, set on a rock in the southern Aegean Sea, is joined to the Greek mainland by only one causeway. Further isolated by fortified medieval wall, Monemvasia’s unique physical environment determined how the community evolved through periods of social change.

Lavishly illustrated with two hundred black-and-white photographs, this collection spans over a century, from 1890 until the present day. Alongside historic and contemporary quotes, the volume provides a visual history of Monemvasian society through the ages. It tells the story of how a community, set apart from the rest of the world, may flourish and recreate within itself a strong bond of solidarity, pride, and continuity. *Monemvasia* is a getaway to the Greek fortress, taking readers inside the castle walls, through public spaces and into the private experiences of family life, on a journey to another place—and another time.

Ann Eldridge has a doctorate in classical studies, specializing in the reception of Ancient Greece in the nineteenth century, and is the founder of the Monemvasia Photographic Society.
The Healing Arts

The Arts Project at Chelsea and Westminster Hospital

Chelsea and Westminster Hospital and its charity, CW+, have been pioneers at the intersection of art and healthcare for more than twenty-five years. By bringing music, performance, and the visual arts into the healthcare setting, they have created an extraordinary patient environment and transformed the experience of countless patients, visitors, and staff. The most comprehensive collection of British art on display in a hospital, CW+’s visual and digital arts collection at Chelsea and Westminster Hospital features more than a thousand contemporary works of art.

This essay collection tells the story of the art collection at Chelsea and Westminster Hospital, from the first installation of daring sculpture even before the hospital opened its doors to the exciting future of the program. The Healing Arts discusses the impact of the arts on patients’ recovery, in some cases shortening their stay or reducing their need for pain medication. From drawing to music to creative digital technology, this volume looks at how the integration of the arts into the day-to-day life of the hospital has changed its patients’ experience of care.

James Scott is founder of the Arts Project at Chelsea and Westminster Hospital and a retired consultant orthopaedic surgeon. Richard Cork is the author of The Healing Presence of Art, which provides an in-depth look at the history of art in healthcare settings. Zoe Penn is medical director for Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust. Andy Hall is music and sound research consultant for CW+ at Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust. Anouk Mercer is the current drawer-in-residence at Chelsea and Westminster Hospital. David Ferry is an artist and chairman of the Chelsea Arts Club. Grace Saull is visual arts manager for CW+ at Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.
The 175 stunning, full-color illustrations collected in this volume serve as a retrospective of the life and work of the prolific, underrecognized artist Anna Coatalen (née Hook). Born in Bristol in 1916, she created woodcuts, stained glass windows, and paintings, and continued working on her creative pursuits until her death at age ninety-five. A lifelong artist, she studied at the Byam Shaw School of Art in London and worked as a book illustrator before joining the Women’s Royal Naval Service in World War II.

Despite her huge creative output during her lifetime, she never sought to publicize her work. Amongst friends who appreciated and admired her were the artists Mary Fedden and Alexander Goudie. Goudie’s son is the Scottish artist and TV presenter Lachlan Goudie, who provides the introduction to this collection. Together, Anna Coatalen: Art for Happiness et Bonheur serves as remembrance, introduction, and tribute to an inspired creative life. As Goudie writes in his introduction, “The world seen through Anna’s eyes is a happy place to be and her paintings are a fitting testament to the kind and talented person that she was in life.”

Annik Coatalen Heal is a dance teacher and former professional ballet dancer who trained at Elmhurst and the Royal Ballet School. As the eldest of the artist’s five daughters, she has an intimate knowledge and appreciation of her mother’s work.
Tom Wedgwood at Waterloo

The Life of Thomas Josiah Wedgwood a Soldier Who Fought at Waterloo

Thomas “Tom” Josiah Wedgwood (1797–1860) was the grandson of the English potter and entrepreneur Josiah Wedgwood and the son of John Wedgwood and Louisa Jane (Jenny) Allen. This is the first biography of the rather neglected member of the Wedgwood family.

Tom was also a professional soldier, gazetted Ensign in the 3rd Regiment of Foot Guards at the age of sixteen. Less than eighteen months later, he was sent to fight at Waterloo and took part in the crucial Defense of Hougoumont. He was promoted to captain in 1820 and participated in a peacekeeping operation in Portugal from 1827 to 1828. Later in 1830 he was promoted to lieutenant colonel and continued serving in the army until 1837.

In later life, Tom married and settled in Tenby, Wales, where he was a well-respected citizen; he is commemorated there by a memorial fountain. A number of Tom’s letters from the Waterloo campaign have survived, as has a detailed journal that he kept during his time in Portugal; these documents, many previously unpublished, form the core of this book.

Antony Wedgwood is a trustee of the National Churches Trust and a member of the Wedgwood family.
Xu Bin Jueyi

Abiding Buddha

The Sculpture of Tranquility

With an Introduction by Edward Lucie Smith

Xu Bin Jueyi’s sculpture is revolutionary in Buddha sculpting, an art form that has stayed very static in style. Using contemporary materials including metal, resin, and wood, Jueyi literally reshapes the aesthetic for Buddha imagery while retaining the compassion and tranquillity that lies behind it. Through the study and sketching of Chinese and Tibetan natural scenery and folk customs, the artist has gained an in-depth understanding of the supreme place of spirituality in Buddhist followers’ lives.

The purity and serenity of their quest, and Xu Bin’s own quest, are shown in the sculptor’s creative energy. The resulting Buddha sculptures reflect the artist’s bold innovation, bringing together contemporary and traditional images and ideas while inviting the viewer to delve deeper into the Buddha’s expansive teachings. Simple and clear, Xu Bin’s works display a minimalism in keeping with the Buddha’s life example.

With one hundred color illustrations and an introduction by leading art critic Edward Lucie Smith, Xu Bin Jueyi introduces a significant voice in Chinese art to an international market. In partnership with Intron International Cultural Development, the Unicorn Chinese Artists series features leading Chinese contemporary artists whose works are not yet well known enough outside China.

Xu Bin Jueyi is from Nantong in Jiangsu. He is a sculptural artist whose work blends Chinese and Western cultures.
In 1996, when Li Lei began exploring Chinese abstract art in both practice and research, he sought to transform it—to combine the core concepts of Chinese culture with the international language of mature abstract art and create a path for abstract art in China. Today, he pioneers a new world of Eastern abstract art, reclaiming Chinese contemporary art from Western critics and dealers.

This book focuses on Li Lei’s abstract painting from 2006 to 2016, collecting more than 110 color illustrations, including new, unpublished paintings from his collection. Accompanying essays trace his inspirations, from his childhood in the vast landscapes of China’s northwest to the abstract art scene in Shanghai. Commentary by Chinese scholars speaks to his many influences, including the Western abstract art theory of Kandinsky, Chinese Buddhist and Daoist philosophy, and the traditional Chinese art forms of poetry and ink painting. The resulting work is an energetic blend of traditional and contemporary, as seen in his 2014 experiments in space integration art, taking spatial narrative, spatial expression, and spatial analysis as objectives of dramatic visual practice.

Explosion of Colour offers an important look at the influence of this significant artist on this relatively new discipline. In partnership with Intron International Cultural Development, the Unicorn Chinese Artists series features leading Chinese contemporary artists whose works are not yet well known enough outside China.

Li Lei is curator of the China Art Palace (formerly Shanghai Art Museum) and professor at Tongji University in Shanghai. He has had solo exhibitions in Beijing, Shanghai, New York, Frankfurt, Linz, Boxmeer, Amsterdam, and Brussels.
Catholicism’s history in China spans more than seven hundred years. In that time, it’s had its ups and downs, especially since the founding of New China, but its adherents have never disappeared. Particularly in out-of-the-way rural areas, Catholicism represents important spiritual sustenance for many, and it penetrates all aspects of daily life.

Yang Yankang spent ten years in the Shaanxi countryside creating The Poor in Spirit, his exquisite set of works documenting Chinese rural Catholics. With empathy and humor, he depicts churches and solemn ceremonies rising like apparitions in the remotest countryside; a wall calendar of celebrity photographs written over with a musical score, played by a group of women; dugouts and earth houses used for preaching and ministry; a rural family assembling a Christ figure; the pious faces of children singing; processions through the wheat fields of mourners in traditional Chinese funeral dress, carrying the coffin or shouldering a cross; a priest in ceremonial attire conducting mass for the sick in a maize field; and so on. The images themselves have a visual intensity, and the photographer expresses compassion through them.

Yankang’s photographs demonstrate a courage in facing and representing Chinese social reality, and by turning the lens on people marginalized by the mainstream—vulnerable groups deliberately neglected by the powerful elite—he has created a collection of documentary photography at the pinnacle of its form. In partnership with Intron International Cultural Development, the Unicorn Chinese Artists series features leading Chinese contemporary artists whose works are not yet well known enough outside China.

Yang Yankang is China’s foremost photographer of religious themes, best known for his documentary works on Tibetan Buddhism and rural Chinese Catholicism.
Jack V. Sturiano served as a hospital corpsman in the United States Navy with the 1st Marine Division during the Vietnam War. After military service, he spent most of his career investigating deaths for a medical examiner’s office in downstate New York.

After working in a morgue for twenty-four years, Jack V. Sturiano knows thousands of them. Here he provides a compelling, first-hand account of the real world of forensic medicine. A far cry from the sensationalized drama of crime scene forensics on TV and in film, F.I. One shares the reality of working with death every day for more than two decades.

After serving as a medic in the Vietnam War, Sturiano became a forensic investigator (or F.I., for short), called out to the scenes of fatal accidents, suicides, and other unexplained deaths to help make sense of them. The course of a long career brought him into contact with thousands of tragedies. Each story collected here has, at its core, an actual event witnessed by the author. Without pretense or embellishment, the faithful accounts in F.I. One are a departure from the entertainment industry’s fantasy depictions of forensic scientists and morgue technicians. Written in the style of O. Henry, Ambrose Bierce, and H. L. Mencken, F.I. One is slice-of-life storytelling at its best.
W. V. Tilsley's Other Ranks is a classic, enduring memoir of World War I. First published in 1931, it was quickly lost in wave of other post-war novels and stories. Now, a lifetime after it was written, new generations of readers can experience Tisley's vital memoir of life and death on the Western Front.

Other Ranks is the fictionalized account of Tilsley's war experiences from 1916–17 in the 55th West Lancashire Division. Throughout, Tilsley includes his criticism of the conduct of the war, producing powerful descriptions of the desolation of the landscape and the conditions he and his soldiers—known as the Poor Bloody Infantry—had to endure in the trenches. War is not chivalrous, and his narrative does not hold back in his thoughts and feelings concerning trench warfare and the class structures that lie therein.

This new edition, republished nearly ninety years after it was written, features new research by Gaye Magnall and is accompanied by contributions from relatives of the three main characters.

W. V. Tilsley was a British soldier and novelist.
MAGGIE BALLINGER

Britannia’s Glory—
A Maritime Story

Great Britain’s Seafaring Story Told in Verse

British fishermen, crusaders,
Explorers, smugglers, traders,
Inventors, convicts, settlers in the hold.
Pirates, shipwrights, whalers,
And our navies’ trusted sailors:

Presented here, in verse, their story is told.

British history is infused into the maritime dimension like salt in seawater. In Britannia’s Glory, readers can explore the origin of the British Isles as never before: in narrative verse. Maggie Ballinger covers the evolution, development, and formation of Great Britain from pre-1066 to the present day in a fascinating retelling of British seafaring history. Ballinger traces a past that represents the country’s indissoluble engagement with the sea: maritime expansion driven by trade, the oceans as roads to riches, and the inevitable war and conflict that follows, including the Spanish Armada, the Battle of Trafalgar, D-Day, and more. Simple, lively, and accessible, Britannia’s Glory uniquely presents the tale of the North East Atlantic archipelago with suspense, adventure, and romance.

Maggie Ballinger is a writer with a passion for Britain’s maritime history. She is the author of the children’s book Baa Baa Pink Sheep.
In 1914, the city of Bradford was the world’s leading manufacturer of fine woolen goods. Upon the outbreak of war, and at the urging of the city’s wealthy industrialists, thousands of young men rushed to enlist. Within a matter of months, two volunteer “pals battalions” were formed—battalions comprised of men who enlisted together as long as they could serve together. John Broadhead, the son of a Bradford Pal, tells the story of the battalions and the part played by his father, George William Broadhead, a town hall clerk from Batley.

The author’s research was inspired by his father’s diary of 1916, which he handed to the author shortly before his death in 1980, saying, “Here lad, you might be interested in this.” Like many soldiers, he rarely spoke about the war, but the diary, alongside the author’s use of official records, newspaper reports, and memoirs, reveal the stark horror of what faced the nation’s youth.

Few of the original Pals survived the war, but George Broadhead’s luck held. In 1918, he married a French girl and stayed in France for eighteen years working with the Imperial War Graves Commission—the British institution tasked with burying and commemorating World War I dead and missing soldiers—before returning to his hometown to resume his earlier career. He was an ordinary soldier, but a remarkable person, and this is his story.

John Broadhead served for the Ministry of Defense in Northern Ireland, Hong Kong, and the Middle East and spent most of his later career as a senior civil servant in Whitehall. Now retired, he has been researching the events recorded in his father’s diary and retracing those footsteps on the battlefields of France.
This short book by historian and journalist Henry Beckles Willson is a fellow soldier’s tribute to the Canadians who fought in World War I at the Battle of Mont Sorrel in 1916. Willson was a senior officer with the Canadian Expeditionary Force during the Battle of Mount Sorrel, which lasted nearly two weeks and exceeded 8,000 Canadian casualties. After losing the first two phases of the battle, the Canadians achieved victory in the final operation, as careful planning and concentrated artillery bombardments had begun to tip the battlefield balance in favor of attackers over entrenched defenders. After the armistice in 1919, Willson became Town Major of Ypres to oversee the rebuilding of the town’s ruins. The newest in the Uniform Legends series, *In the Ypres Salient* is classic military writing at its best.

**Henry Beckles Willson** (1869–1942) was a Canadian journalist, historian, soldier, and prolific author. He was instrumental in the creation of the Imperial War Museum in his role as the museum’s field agent, where he believed the collections should reflect the detail of battle and involvement of ordinary soldiers at ground level. During World War II, he was interned in unoccupied France and died there in 1942.

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Based on personal diaries, this account tells, with humor and sensitivity, the actions of a Gurkha company operating deep in Indonesian territory. The experiences of junior leadership in unusually independent command make this book a weight worth adding to any young leader’s bergen or the older warrior’s bookcase.

**Christopher Bullock** was a company commander in the second Battalion 2nd KEO Gurkha Rifles during clandestine actions described in *Journeys Hazardous*, for which he was awarded the Military Cross. He is now curator of the Gurkha Museum in Winchester.

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*Journeys Hazardous*
**Gurkha Clandestine Operations Borneo 1965**
**CHRISTOPHER BULLOCK**

*Journeys Hazardous* tells a young officer’s tale of “Claret” operations in the undeclared war between Britain and Indonesia in the mid-1960s. These clandestine operations, launched deep in Indonesia, were officially denied, but nevertheless wrested the initiative back from Indonesia and enabled Britain to successfully conclude what was euphemistically known as “confrontation.”
More than 170,000 British prisoners of war were taken by German and Italian forces during World War II. Conditions were tough. Rations were meager. The days dragged and there was a constant battle against boredom. The men, but not officers, had to work, often at heavy labor.

*Guests of the Third Reich* is a vivid account of daily life for the prisoners, exploring everything from day-to-day mundanities to daring escape attempts. Utilizing the Imperial War Museums’s collections of letters, diaries, memoirs, and recorded interviews, this gripping, poignant narrative tells the story of those in captivity in Germany during WWII in a personal and engaging way. Featuring incredible firsthand accounts from those who were there, along with black-and-white photographs from the IWM’s vast archives, this collection offers a rare glimpse behind the fences of these infamous internment camps.

*Anthony Richards* is head of Documents and Sound at Imperial War Museums. He is the author of many books, including *In Their Own Words: Untold Stories of the First World War; The War on Paper: 20 Documents that Defined the Second World War*; and, most recently, *D-Day and Normandy: A Visual History*. 
The Art of Fencing

The Forgotten Discourse of Camillo Palladini

Until now, Camillo Palladini’s manuscript for his discourse on fencing was housed in the De Walden Library at the Wallace Collection in London. Hitherto unpublished and largely unknown, it is of central importance to a modern understanding of Italian rapier play in the sixteenth century. This stunning book, a joint endeavour between the Royal Armouries and the Wallace Collection, reproduces the forty-six red chalk illustrations in the manuscript—only three of which have ever been seen in print—together with a transcription and translation of the original Italian text. Perfect for students of fencing, lovers of Italian art, researchers of the sixteenth-century, and historical reenactors and interpreters, The Art of Fencing: The Forgotten Discourse of Camillo Palladini showcases a striking example of Renaissance swordsmanship.

Piermarco Terminiello is an instructor at the School of the Sword in Berkshire and Surrey and a historical fencer and researcher. Joshua Pendragon is an independent scholar and researcher who specializes in the history of fencing, swordplay, and the role of the sword in Europe. He has been the external consultant on terms relating to fencing for the revision of the Oxford English Dictionary since 2001.
The Royal Armouries is Britain’s oldest museum, still partly housed in its original buildings in the Tower of London. The core of the collection is the medieval arsenal that was restocked by Henry VIII and on show to privileged visitors as early as the reign of Elizabeth I. After 1660, the general public was admitted and a series of spectacular exhibits was set up, one of which included instruments of torture and punishment. Since that time, they have been one of the Tower’s prime attractions, enhanced by the macabre stories that surround them.

This fascinating book sets these instruments of torture and punishment in their proper context and explores whether the Tower deserves its grim reputation.

Royal Armouries has three museums across the United Kingdom and cares for one of the most important national collections of arms and armour in the world.
Travel Writer’s Field Guide

The world is full of stories. Write them.

Storytelling is all around us—it’s a letter home, a blog post, a diary entry, a tweet or an Instagram post, or a tale in a pub. *Travel Writer’s Field Guide* is an inspirational new reference book for anyone who loves to travel and wants to share their story. Within its pages, authors Phoebe Smith and Daniel Neilson offer advice about every element of travel writing, from taking notes on the road to planning, pitching, and creating the writing that people will want to read and editors will want to publish. With tips from magazine editors, bloggers, award-winning journalists, and broadcasters, this guide takes writers through every step in the process.

*Travel Writer’s Field Guide* uncovers the secrets of getting published and making a living from traveling the world and writing. Readers will also find hacks for avoiding clichés, tips for writing on the road, and a guide to getting published. Other chapters cover such topics as how to make money from your travel blog, how to optimize your copy for the internet, and how to create compelling travel videos with just a smartphone.

Beautifully illustrated with bespoke drawings and stunning photography throughout, *Travel Writer’s Field Guide* is a handy how-to for everyone from avid diary keepers to established writers and those in between. But it’s more than just a book: it is complemented by a supplementary website as well as a podcast of the same name. Readers can also sign up for related newsletters and workshops.

Phoebe Smith is editor-at-large at *Wanderlust* and an award-winning writer, photographer, and broadcaster. Daniel Neilson is a writer and editor for *The Great Outdoors* and *Sidetracked Magazine*.
Since the collapse of the Iron Curtain in 1989, Prague has become one of Europe’s—and the world’s—most popular tourist destinations. As in London, Paris, and Rome, visitors flock to the gorgeous buildings and monuments that grace the streets of Prague, entranced by structures ranging from Gothic and baroque to cubist and neoclassical. And while hundreds of thousands stroll over Charles Bridge and gaze up at St. Vitus Cathedral each year, far fewer venture away from the crowds to seek out the countless gems of art nouveau peppered throughout Prague.

With Art Nouveau Prague, Petr Wittlich—one of Europe’s leading experts on nineteenth- and twentieth-century architecture—tours those monuments and buildings of Prague that are most representative of the art nouveau movement while offering insightful commentary on each. Along the way, Wittlich visits such sites as the Municipal House, the Wilson Railway Station, the Grand Hotel Europa, and works by sculptors František Bálek, Ladislav Šaloun, and Stanislav Sucharda.

An introductory essay by Wittlich emphasizing the role of art nouveau within contemporary currents of modern European art accompanies more than one hundred color illustrations of some of the most stunning examples of art nouveau architecture and decoration in existence, and a detailed bibliography provides additional reading for each of the sites displayed in the book. Art Nouveau Prague is a must-have for those traveling to Prague or for anyone who appreciates or wants to learn more about art nouveau.

Petr Wittlich is professor of art history at Charles University, Prague. Petra Key holds advanced degrees in both English and Czech literature from Charles University, Prague. In addition to her work in translation, she is an academic director for the Council on International Education Exchange.
BOHUMIL HRABAL

Why I Write?
The Early Prose from 1945 to 1952

Translated by David Short

This collection of the earliest prose by one of literature’s greatest stylists captures, as scholar Arnault Maréchal put it, “the moment when Hrabal discovered the magic of writing.”

Taken from the period when Bohumil Hrabal shifted his focus from poetry to prose, these stories—many written in school notebooks, typed and read aloud to friends, or published in samizdat (underground magazines)—often showcase raw experiments in style that would define his later works. Others intriguingly utilize forms the author would never pursue again. Featuring the first appearance of key figures from Hrabal’s later writings, such as his real-life Uncle Pepin, who would become a character in his fiction and is credited here as a coauthor of one piece, the book also contains stories that Hrabal would go on to cannibalize for some of his most famous novels. All together, Why I Write? offers readers the chance to explore this important nascent phase of Hrabal’s writing.

Expertly interpreted by award-winning Hrabal translator David Short, this collection comprises some of the last remaining prose works by Hrabal to be translated into English. A treasure trove for Hrabal devotees, Why I Write? allows us to see clearly why this great prose master was, as described by Czech writer and publisher Josef Škvorecký, “fundamentally a lyrical poet.”

Bohumil Hrabal (1914–97) was born in Brno, Czechoslovakia, and studied law. By his death, he was ranked among the greatest Czech writers of the twentieth century. His novel Closely Watched Trains was turned into an Academy Award–winning film. David Short is a retired teacher of Czech and Slovak, the author of a popular Czech textbook, the coauthor of a number of publications in the field of linguistics, and a prolific translator from Czech. For his work with Czech literature he was awarded the Jirí Theiner Prize.

Praise for Hrabal

“One of the great prose stylists of the twentieth century; the scourge of state censors; the gregarious bar hound and lover of gossip, beer, cats, and women (in roughly that order). . . . In Hrabal’s work beauty, pity, sorrow, and high silliness come tightly braided.”

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In this collection of writings produced between 2000 and 2018, the pioneering literary historian of the Czech underground, Martin Machovec, examines the multifarious nature of the underground phenomenon. After devoting considerable attention to the circle surrounding the band The Plastic People of the Universe and their manager, the poet Ivan M. Jirous, Machovec turns outward to examine the broader concept of the underground, comparing the Czech incarnation not only with the movements of its Central and Eastern European neighbors, but also with those in the world at large. In one essay, he reflects on the so-called Pulnoc Editions, which published illegal texts in the darkest days of the late forties and early fifties. In other essays, Machovec examines the relationship between illegal texts published at home (samizdat) and those smuggled out to be published abroad (tamizdat), as well as the range of literature that can be classified as samizdat, drawing attention to movements frequently overlooked by literary critics. In his final, previously unpublished essay, Machovec examines Jirous’s “Report on the Third Czech Musical Revival” not as a merely historical document, but as literature itself.

Martin Machovec lectures on Czech literature at Charles University, Prague. He is the editor of Views from the Inside: Czech Underground Literature and Culture (1948–1989), also published by Karolinum Press.

In honor of the 2018 centennial of Czech independence, philosopher of law Jiří Přibáň and award-winning Czech journalist Karel Hvížd’ala took the opportunity to examine key moments in Czech history from the ninth century to the twenty-first. Covering such a broad span of time allowed them to look into the past and question how Czechs have viewed their history at different points—and what that means for the Czech present and future. As contemporary politics drift closer towards totalitarianism, historiography from scholars and thinkers who experienced twentieth-century totalitarian regimes is more important than ever. In their spirited dialogue, Hvížd’ala and Přibáň raise and explore these crucial issues, sharing subjects normally reserved for university seminars with the broader public.

“It’s an interesting book because simply by considering the ideas the authors of In Quest of History put forth, the reader loses his certainty of what is true and what is the common consensus—he becomes an individual.”—Milan Kundera, author of The Unbearable Lightness of Being.

Jiří Přibáň is professor of law at Cardiff University, United Kingdom. He is the author of numerous books in Czech and English, including, most recently, The Defence of Constitutionalism: Or the Czech Question in Post-National Europe, also published by Karolinum Press. Karel Hvížd’ala is a journalist and essayist. He has published more than thirty books of interviews, as well as written twenty radio plays, five novels, five books on the media, and two memoirs. Stuart Hoskins is a translator of Czech and Slovak into English.
Jaroslav Malina in Scenography and Painting
Edited by JOSEPH BRANDESKY

Although Czech scenographer and painter Jaroslav Malina (1937–2016) lived in turbulent times, he won international respect for his work. Spanning Malina’s entire life—from his early years in the Nazi protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia, through four decades under communism and the period after the Velvet Revolution returned the Czech state to democracy—the essays and interviews in this volume examine the depth and breadth of his accomplishments. Also featuring over one hundred and fifty color images that illustrate the connections between Malina’s public scenographic work and his more personal paintings, this book reveals Malina as an artist who continued to work during difficult and changing times without ever losing a very human approach to life.

Joseph Brandesky is the Martha W. Farmer Endowed Professor of Theatre at Ohio State University at Lima. He is the editor of Czech Theatre Design in the Twentieth Century: Metaphor and Irony Revisited.

Queer Encounters with Communist Power
VĚRA SOKOLOVÁ

In the repressive context of East European Communist regimes, how did young girls and boys come to realize their sexuality? What did they do with that self-awareness—and later on, as adults, what strategies did they employ in their dealings with the regime? Queer Encounters with Communist Power answers these questions as it interweaves a groundbreaking queer oral history project with meticulous, original research into the discourse on homosexuality and transsexuality in Czechoslovakia from 1948 to 1989.

Contrary to expectations, the book reveals that despite the Czechoslovak Communist regime’s brutality in many areas of life, the state did not carry out a hateful or seditious campaign against homosexual and non-heterosexual people. Rather, the official state sexology offices functioned from the late 1970s onward as essentially the first gay clubs in socialist Czechoslovakia. Interweaving the memories of non-heterosexual Czech women born between 1929 and 1952, Věra Sokolová’s study both enriches and challenges existing scholarship on lesbian and gay history during this era, promising to radically change the way we view gender, sexuality, and everyday life during East European socialism.

Věra Sokolová is associate professor of history and chair of the Department of Gender Studies in Charles University’s Faculty of Humanities. She is the author of Cultural Politics of Ethnicity: Discourses on the Roma in Communist Czechoslovakia.

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JOSEF PETRÁŇ and LYDIA PETRÁŇOVÁ
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This exploration of the controversial polymath scholar Marcus Meibom (1630–1711) sheds new light on aspects of his scientific and philological achievements within the fields of mathematics, music, ancient history, biblical text criticism, manuscript collecting, and maritime history. Little-known to the general readership today, Meibom was famous in the erudite early-modern world for his groundbreaking work in Greek philology and music theory. Mattias Lundberg and Janis Kreslins trace Meibom’s highly peculiar personal and professional life, highlighting his scholarly contributions as well as his controversies and scandals.

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The Organic Revolutionary
A Memoir from the Movement for Real Food, Planetary Healing, and Human Liberation

An influential founding member of the American organic agriculture movement and a long-time organic farmer, Grace Gershuny gives us one of the most comprehensive and deeply personal accounts of adventures in that movement ever written. A principal author of the USDA's first proposed National Organic rule, Gershuny left the National Organic Program staff just before the final rule was published. The complicated story of that movement for nationwide organic regulations, which consumed Gershuny's life for five years, is interwoven here with her own personal timeline before, during, and after the arduous federal process.

This memoir explores how the organic revolution became rooted well before the US federal government cared to notice. Gershuny asks important ongoing questions about the organic movement that still aren't receiving enough attention, such as whether organic standards should be consumer or farmer-driven and if organic agriculture will be able to maintain its principles as it becomes mainstream. Entertaining yet urgent, Organic Revolutionary thoughtfully details the personal, political, and practical struggles that ensued in the heroic effort to push the organic movement beyond farmers' markets and into supermarkets.

Grace Gershuny is co-author of The Soul of Soil and has written extensively on soil, compost, and food system issues. She lives in Vermont.
When it was first published in 2003, Rebel Musics sought to explore how musical activism resonates as resistance to the dominant culture and as a medium for political self-expression. If anything, these issues seem to be even more pressing today. Rebel Musics offers a fascinating journey into a rich, complex world where music and politics unite, and where rebel musicians are mobilizing for political change, resistance, and social justice. Daniel Fischlin and Ajay Heble cover a wide range of artists, genres, and topics, including Thomas Mapfumo, Bob Marley, William Parker, Frank Zappa, Edgard Varese, Ice-T, American blues, West African drumming, hip hop, gospel, rock’n’roll cabaret, Paul Robeson, and free jazz. This book shows how rebel music is at the heart of some of the most incisive critiques of global politics. With explosive lyrics and driving rhythms, rebel musicians are helping to mobilize movements for political change and social justice, at home and around the world.

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of Black Rose Books, this revised and expanded edition of Rebel Musics will include all the original essays, as well as a new contribution by the editors. Rounding out the new edition will be several new pieces from artists and scholars that will continue to spark debate about these vital topics in compelling ways.

Daniel Fischlin is a leading Canadian humanities researcher who has written over twenty books. Also a musician and community organizer, he chairs the Board of Silence, a community art space in Guelph, and is the founding director of the newly launched MA/PhD program in Critical Studies in Improvisation at the University of Guelph. Ajay Heble is the founding director of the International Institute for Critical Studies in Improvisation and professor of English in the School of English and Theatre Studies at the University of Guelph. He is the founding artistic director of the award-winning Guelph Jazz Festival and Colloquium and a founding co-editor of the peer-reviewed journal Critical Studies in Improvisation. Heble is also an accomplished pianist who, with Daniel Fischlin, records and performs with the improvising quartet, The Vertical Squirrels.
 DANIEL FISCHLIN and MARTHA NANDORFY

Eduardo Galeano
Wind is the Breath of Time, the Storyteller’s Voice Travels On

Uruguayan Eduardo Galeano was an activist, visionary, and storyteller who began his hugely influential career with the publication of *Open Veins of Latin America* in 1971, which set a new standard for historical scholarship of Latin America. After this success, Galeano’s writing became increasingly lyrical and inspired by the storytelling of South America’s Indigenous peoples, while remaining politically engaged and prophetic.

This book picks up where Daniel Fischlin and Martha Nandorfy’s previous book on Galeano left off, focusing on timely and urgent themes in the last four books he wrote in the twenty-first century. Through his distinctive narrative style of short vignettes—tightly packed explosive stories—Galeano explores what it means to live as mortal beings waxing and waning between despair and hope. Galeano is a hunter of stories. His yarns place us, as his listeners and agents of history, in a web where past and future come together to create a present full of possibility.

Daniel Fischlin is University Research Chair at the International Institute for Critical Studies in Improvisation at University of Guelph. He has written sixteen books, including three co-authored with Nandorfy: *The Community of Rights—The Rights of Community*, *Eduardo Galeano: Through the Looking Glass*, and *The Concise Guide to Global Human Rights*, all published by Black Rose Books. Martha Nandorfy is professor of literature and culture in the School of English and Theatre Studies at the University of Guelph. She is the author of *The Poetics of Apocalypse: García Lorca’s Poet in New York*. 
Cities today are increasingly at the forefront of the environmental and social crisis—they are simultaneously a major cause and a potential solution. Across the world, a new wave of urban social movements is rising to fight against corporate control, social exclusion, hostile immigration policies, gender oppression, and ecological devastation. These movements are building economic, social, and political alternatives based on solidarity, equality, and participation. This anthology develops the debates that began at the recent Transnational Institute of Social Ecology’s conference about the dire need to rebuild the social and political realities of our world’s cities. It discusses the prospects of radical urban movements; examines the revolutionary potential of the concept of “the Right to the City,” and looks at how activists, scholars, and community movements can work together towards an ecological and democratic future. A fruitful conversation between theory and practice, this book opens new ground for rethinking systemic urban change in a way that challenges oppression and transforms how people work, create, and live together.

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Social Ecology and the Right to the City
Towards Ecological and Democratic Cities
Edited by FEDERICO VENTURINI, EMET DEGIRMENCI, and INÉS MORALES

Transformative Planning
Radical Alternatives to Neoliberal Urbanism
Edited by TOM ANGOTTI

Though modern urban planning is only a century old, it appears to be facing extinction. Historically, urban planning has been narrowly conceived, ignoring gaping inequalities of race, class, and gender while promoting unbridled growth and environmental injustices. Transformative Planning argues that unless planning is radically transformed and develops serious alternatives to neoliberal urbanism and disaster capitalism it will be irrelevant in this century. This book emerges from decades of urban planners and activists contesting inequalities of class, race, and gender in cities around the world. It compiles the discussions and debates that appeared in the publications of Planners Network, a North American urban planners’ association. Original contributions have been added to the collection so that it serves as both a reflection of past theory and practice and a challenge for a new generation of activists and planners.

Tom Angotti is professor emeritus of urban policy and planning at Hunter College and the Graduate Center, City University of New York. He was the founder and director of the Hunter College Center for Community Planning and Development. His recent books include Zoned Out!: Race, Displacement and City Planning in New York City and Urban Latin America: Inequalities and Neoliberal Reforms. He is an editor of progressivecity.net and participating editor for Latin American Perspectives and Local Environment.
Should today’s activists aim for more than reformist changes in the policies and personnel of giant corporations and the government? This collection of classic essays persuasively argues that modern social movements need to rise to the challenge of spearheading a radical reorganization of society based on the principles of decentralization, community control, and participatory democracy.

Integrating some of the best of New Left thought and practice with more recent populist and Green perspectives, essays by C. George Benello, and the commentaries of Harry Boyte, Steve Chase, Walda Katz-Fishman, Jane Mansbridge, Chuck Turner, and other major activists from the 1960s offer important insights for today’s new generation of practical utopians. This revised and updated edition also includes “The New Movement and its Theory of Organization,” a discussion by David Wieck, Todd Gitlin, George Woodcock, J. F. Conway, and Joan Renold.

C. George Benello (1927–1987) was professor of sociology at Cornell University, the University of Massachusetts, Goddard College, McGill University, and Concordia University. He was active in the anti-war movement, and he founded the Federation of Economic Democracy and the journal Changing Work.
Rethinking the History of Wales

David Stephenson

Drawing on the latest research on Wales during the eleventh to fourteenth centuries, this book re-examines the commonly held view that the Edwardian conquest brought hardship and nothing else to the people of Wales. David Stephenson studies the achievements of well-known Welsh rulers, such as Llywelyn the Great and Llywelyn the Last, and he also probes the factors that led to the ultimate failure of the Llywelyns and the conquest of their principality by Edward I. In addition, this book includes detailed studies of many of the lesser-known figures responsible for the changing nature of Welsh politics in this period. Stephenson engages with the work of a variety of scholars, such as Emma Cavell on the role of aristocratic women and Matthew F. Stevens on ethnic assimilation in medieval Welsh towns, and he offers his own insight on the strength of regional feeling and autonomy, as well as on the Welsh chronicles. Stephenson includes men and women not normally studied in survey volumes, emphasizing that historical change is not always determined by the big names but also by lesser known people. In highlighting a wide range of scholars, historians, and sources, this book ultimately challenges the simplistic view that Welsh princes of this time period were always heroic figures who had the whole-hearted support of almost all Welsh people.

David Stephenson is an honorary research fellow in the School of History and Archaeology at Bangor University. His books on Welsh history include Political Power in Medieval Gwynedd and Medieval Powys 1132–1293.

Locating Lynette Roberts

“Always observant and slightly obscure”

Edited by SIRIOL MCAVOY

For the first time, Siriol McAvoy brings together the most important research on Lynette Roberts’s work that has emerged in the years since the landmark republication of her Collected Poems in 2005. Offering a broad yet detailed exploration of Roberts’s writing—encompassing poetry, prose, and works written for the radio—it will thus benefit students and scholars by offering a comprehensive foundation from which to launch their own investigations. Each essay strives in some way to place Roberts by analyzing the environments to which her writing responds, pinpointing key concerns in her elusive and haunting work, and defining its contribution to twentieth-century literary culture. The essays are arranged in chronological order, allowing readers to trace the evolution of Roberts’s style in the context of British and Welsh social and cultural history. Throwing light on the interesting cultural relationship between Wales and Argentina, this book explores Roberts’s wider relevance to British literary history and key developments in literary and cultural studies.

Siriol McAvoy is an honorary research fellow at CREW, Swansea University. A writer and researcher specializing in anglophone Welsh writing and women’s modernisms, she is currently co-director of Modernist Network Cymru.
**Freedom Music**

*Wales, Emancipation and Jazz 1850–1950*

**JEN WILSON**

*Freedom Music* traces the history of how early African American and jazz music came to Wales. From Abolitionist collaborations, minstrelsy, ragtime, blues, hot music, and swing, Jen Wilson shows us an innovative side of Wales previously hidden from history. This music appealed to Wales’ vibrant youth and those not part of the mainstream culture of chapels, choirs, and male voice choirs. Wilson unfolds this musical history by examining women’s emancipation, gender politics, social history, and Welsh culture. She looks at cultural innovations by women entrepreneurs during and from the First World War. Wilson also focuses on the history of African American music in Wales and highlights the widespread misogyny and discrimination within jazz music in Wales. The stories within *Freedom Music* will attract not only social and political historians, but also feminists, jazz fans, and general readers fascinated by the cast of characters who played and danced to the music.

**Jen Wilson** is a jazz pianist and founder of Jazz Heritage Wales, based at UWTSD Swansea.

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**Pacifism, Peace and Modern Welsh Writing**

**LINDEN PEACH**

Focusing on an important and overlooked subject in Welsh studies, this book reveals the contribution of modern Welsh literature to our understanding of peace and pacifism. Through careful analysis, Linden Peach shows how pacifism in Wales, which was rooted in concepts from Welsh-language writing, evolved into a broader social gospel concerned with the quality of human life and the sustainability of community. Peach takes a literary-historical approach to this subject, opening up new perspectives on the history of peace and pacifism in Wales that have been overlooked by purely historical analyses in the past.

**Linden Peach** is director of educational development at the Prince’s School of Traditional Arts, London. He is a fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, and a fellow of the English Association.
In 1797 in Vienna, Ida Pfeiffer was born into a world that should have been too small for her dreams. The daughter of an Austrian merchant, she made clear from an early age that she would not be bound by convention, dressing in boys’ clothing and playing sports. After her tutor introduced her to stories of faraway lands, she became determined to see the world first-hand. This determination led to a lifetime of travel—much of it alone—and made her one of the most famous women of the nineteenth century.

Pfeiffer faced many obstacles, not least expectations of her gender. She was a typical nineteenth-century housewife with a husband and two sons. She was not wealthy nor well connected. Yet after the death of her husband, and once her sons were grown and settled, at the age of forty-one she set off on her first journey, not telling anyone the true extent of her travel plans. Between that trip and her death in 1858, she would barely pause for breath, circling the globe twice—the first woman to do so—and publishing numerous popular books about her travels. Usually traveling solo, Pfeiffer faced storms at sea, trackless deserts, plague, malaria, earthquakes, robbers, murderers, and other risks.

In *Wanderlust*, John van Wyhe presents Pfeiffer’s story, with generous excerpts from her published accounts that tell of her involvement with spies, international intrigue, and more. The result is a compelling portrait of the remarkable life of a pioneer unjustly forgotten.

*John van Wyhe* is a senior lecturer in the Department of Biological Sciences and a fellow of Tembusu College at National University of Singapore.
Southeast Asia After the Cold War
A Contemporary History
ANG CHENG GUAN

International relations in Southeast Asia after 1990 can be understood in terms of a United States–dominated security order, and the regional structure created by the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). But as the Cold War recedes further into the past, that order is increasingly under siege, with a new global strategic rebalancing underway. The region is forced to contemplate new risks and the emergence of new rivalries and conflicts.

With Southeast Asia After the Cold War, Ang Cheng Guan offers a complete, analytically informed contemporary history that covers the whole region, tracing developments since 1990 and highlighting change, continuity, and the larger context in which decisions have been made. Crucial as a tool for making sense of the dynamics of the region, this account of Southeast Asia’s international relations will also be of immediate relevance to those in the United States and elsewhere who engage with the region, with its young, dynamic population, and its strategic position between the Indian Ocean and the Pacific.

Ang Cheng Guan is associate professor, associate dean, and head of graduate studies at the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies at Nanyang Technological University.

Hard at Work
Life in Singapore
Edited by GERARD SASGES and NG SHI WEN

For most of us, work is a basic daily fact of life. But that simple fact encompasses an incredibly wide range of experiences. Hard at Work takes readers into the day-to-day work experiences of more than fifty working people in Singapore who hold jobs that run from the ordinary to the unusual: from ice cream vendors, baristas, police officers, and funeral directors to academic ghostwriters, temple flower sellers, and Thai disco girl agents.

Through first-person narratives based on detailed interviews, vividly augmented with color photographs, Hard at Work reminds us of the everyday labor that continually goes on around us, and that every job can reveal something interesting if we just look closely enough. It shows us, too, the ways inequalities of status and income are felt and internalized in this highly globalized society.

Gerard Sasges is assistant professor in the Department of Southeast Asian Studies at the National University of Singapore. Ng Shi Wen is a photographer and educator who has taught at the National University of Singapore and School of the Arts, Singapore. She is also the founder of the studio Photo Rikiki.
For years, the study of how culture operates in colonial contexts was dominated by the ideas of transmission and influence. Yet the more we learn, the less useful those concepts seem to be. This collection deliberately complicates the binary of colonizer and colonized in order to establish a more effective framework for understanding. The contributors address a wide range of questions, rooted in specific colonial experiences: How can a controversy about forms of deference in Java reveal tensions around colonial policies and the rise of nationalism? What was Vietnamese about the French colonial governor’s palace in Hanoi? What can the circulation of jazz in Asia tell us about its evolution, circuits of exchange, colonial culture, and its appropriation? Through such inquiries, the volume traces the multi-linear trajectories of the flow of decorative objects, architectural styles, photographs, sartorial practices, music, deference rituals, and ethnographic knowledge, in a transimperial framework within and beyond Southeast Asia and Europe. Highlighting a wide range of actors along with their motivations and interactions, this volume treats cultural heritage as dynamic processes.

H. Hazel Hahn is professor of history at Seattle University. She is the author of *Scenes of Parisian Modernity: Culture and Consumption in the Nineteenth Century* and coeditor of *Architecturalized Asia: Mapping a Continent through History*. 
Electoral Dynamics in the Philippines
Money Politics, Patronage and Clientelism at the Grassroots
Edited by ALLEN HICKEN, EDWARD ASPINALL, and MEREDITH WEISS

The role of clientelism, political machines, and money in grassroots electioneering in the Philippines has been much analyzed by those who study the subject, but never as extensively as Allen Hicken, Edward Aspinall, and Meredith Weiss do in Electoral Dynamics in the Philippines. Combining in-depth ethnographic fieldwork in localities across the Philippines during the 2016 elections with polling data and national comparative data, this study sheds light on the organization of elections and electioneering across the Philippines. How do candidates choose to appeal to voters, and how do they get out the vote? How do voters respond to different kinds of appeals? How important are patronage and clientelism? What are the networks within which patronage is delivered? What do the political machines look like in elections influenced by social media? The book identifies commonalities and differences across the Philippines while speaking to current debates in political science about elections in developing democracies, the structure and organization of clientelism, and the role of money in elections.

Allen Hicken is professor of political science and a research professor at the Center for Political Studies and the Center for Southeast Asian Studies at the University of Michigan. Edward Aspinall is professor of politics at the Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs, Australian National University. Meredith Weiss is professor of political science at the University at Albany, State University of New York.

Imperial Creatures
Humans and Other Animals in Colonial Singapore, 1819–1942
TIMOTHY P. BARNARD

One of the areas of fastest-growing interest in the humanities and social sciences in recent years has been the history of animals. Imperial Creatures fills a gap in that field by looking across species at animals in a urban colonial setting. If imperialism is a series of power relationships, Timothy P. Barnard argues, then it necessarily involves not only the subjugation of human communities, but also of animals. What was the relationship between those two processes in colonial Singapore? How did interactions with animals enable change in interactions between people? Through a multidisciplinary consideration of fauna, Imperial Creatures weaves together a series of tales to document how animals were cherished, monitored, employed, and slaughtered in a colonial society. All animals, including humans, Barnard shows, have been creatures of imperialism in Singapore. Their stories teach us lessons about the structures that upheld such a society and how it developed over time, lessons of relevance to animal historians, to historians of Singapore, and to urban historians and imperial historians with an interest in environmental themes.

Timothy P. Barnard is associate professor in the Department of History at the National University of Singapore. He is the author of numerous books, most recently Nature’s Colony, also from National University of Singapore Press.
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The Real Economy
Essays in Ethnographic Theory
Edited by FEDERICO NEIBURG and JANE I. GUYER

This collection highlights a key metaphor in contemporary discourse about economy and society. The contributors explore how references to reality and the real economy are linked both to the utopias of collective well-being, supported by real monies and good economies, and the dystopias of financial bubbles and busts, in which people’s own lives “crash” along with the reality of their economies.

An ambitious anthropology of economy, this volume questions how assemblages of vernacular and scientific realizations and enactments of the economy are linked to ideas of truth and moral value; how these multiple and shifting realities become present and entangle with historically and socially situated lives; and how the formal realizations of the concept of the “real” in the governance of economies engage with the experiential lives of ordinary people. Featuring essays from some of the world’s most prominent economic anthropologists, The Real Economy is a milestone collection in economic anthropology that crosses disciplinary boundaries and adds new life to social studies of the economy.

Federico Neiburg is professor of social anthropology at the Museu Nacional, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro. He is lead researcher for the Brazilian National Research Council and the coordinator of the Center for Research in Culture and Economy. His books include Empires, Nations, and Natives: Anthropology and State-Making, and, most recently, A Cultural History of Money in the Age of Empires. Jane I. Guyer is professor emerita at Johns Hopkins University. She is the author of many books, including Marginal Gains: Monetary Transactions in Atlantic Africa; Legacies, Logics, Logistics: Essays in the Anthropology of the Platform Economy; and a new translation of Marcel Mauss’s The Gift: Expanded Edition.

Arctic Folly
The Anthropology of a Delusion
PIERRE DÉLÉAGE

Missionary, linguist, and ethnographer Emile Petitot (1838–1916) was known for his work in Canada’s Northwest Territories and as the author of a corpus that include the first grammar of an Amerindian language and an astonishing body of transcribed ritual texts and myths. However, over the course of his twenty years in the Arctic Circle, he descended into a long delirium and began to summon imaginary persecutions, pen improbable interpretations of his Arctic hosts, and explode in paroxysms of schizoid fury. In telling this story, Pierre Déléage reconstructs, step by step and with the ethnographer’s eye, the biography of a delusion.

Delving into the obverse of the very texture of ethnographic inquiry, Déléage takes us on an enthralling journey across the indigenous Arctic world, moving skilfully between ethnobiography and the analytic conundrums that arise in profound cognitive displacement. Whoever wishes to know the cost of knowing alien cultures will find this anthropological novella hard to put down.

Pierre Déléage is CNRS researcher at the Laboratoire d’Anthropologie Sociale in Paris.
The Ethics of Space
Homelessness and Squatting in Urban England

STEPH GROHMANN

Across the Western world, full membership of society is established through entitlements to space and formalized in the institutions of property and citizenship. Those without such entitlements are deemed less than fully human as they struggle to find a place where they can symbolically and physically exist. Written by an anthropologist who accidentally found herself homeless, The Ethics of Space is an unprecedented account of what happens when homeless people organize to occupy abandoned properties.

Set against the backdrop of economic crisis, austerity, and a disintegrating British state, Steph Grohmann tells the story of a flourishing squatter community in the city of Bristol and how it was eventually outlawed by the state. The first ethnography of homelessness done by a researcher who was formally homeless throughout fieldwork, this volume explores the intersection between spatial existence, subjectivity, and ethics. The result is a book that rethinks how ethical views are shaped and constructed through our own spatial existences.

Steph Grohmann is a research fellow at the Centre for Homeless and Inclusion Health at the University of Edinburgh. She is interested in ethical life, spatial justice, and using anthropological tools in the struggle to end homelessness in Britain and beyond.

Mafiacraft
An Ethnography of Deadly Silence

DEBORAH PUCCIO-DEN

“The Mafia? What is the Mafia? Something you eat? Something you drink? I don’t know the Mafia. I have never seen it.” So said Mommo Piromalli, a ‘Ndrangheta crime boss, to a journalist in the seventies. In Mafiacraft, Deborah Puccio-Den explores the Mafia’s reliance on the force of silence, and undertakes a new form of ethnographic inquiry that focuses on the questions, rather than the answers.

For Puccio-Den, the Mafia is not a stable social fact, but a cognitive event shaped by actions of silence. Rather than inquiring about what has previously been written or said, she explores the imaginative power of silence and how it gives consistency to special kinds of social ties that draw their strength from a state of indetermination. What methods might anthropologists use to investigate silence and to understand the life of the denied, the unspeakable, and the unspoken? How do they resist, fight, or capitulate to the strength of words, or to the force of law? In Mafiacraft, Puccio-Den addresses these questions with a fascinating anthropology of silence that opens up new ground for the study of the world’s most famous criminal organization.

Deborah Puccio-Den is a political anthropologist and senior researcher at the National Center for Scientific Research in France. Originally from Italy, she has conducted more than twenty years of fieldwork on the Mafia in Sicily and lectures on the subject at the Ecole des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales. She is the author of two books in French, Masques et Dévoilements and Les Théâtres de Maures et Chrétiens.
In *Let’s Be Boldly Bearcat*, the University of Cincinnati bearcat mascot takes young readers on a visual tour of the University of Cincinnati’s campus, pausing at each of the fourteen colleges and regional campuses, to highlight flagship university programs and activities. Readers are invited to answer reflection questions found at the end of the book and to draw pictures to share their ideas about how they would help, teach, build, and keep healthy. A child-friendly campus map and a Bearcat coloring activity page complete the book, making this an ideal gift for Cincinnati alumni to share with their young friends and family.

**Kimberlee Dobbs** is a University of Cincinnati CECH alumnus, retired kindergarten teacher, and children’s book author.

**Community-Academic Partnerships for Early Childhood Health**

*Volume One*

**Edited by FARRAH JACQUEZ and LINA SVEDIN**

Community-Academic Partnerships for *Early Childhood Health* is the first in a seven-volume series that looks at participatory public health research studies conducted by scholar/community interdisciplinary teams. In this volume, academics work together with local practitioners in their communities to address childhood health risks of underserved populations and the social factors of health and life-long wellbeing. The contributors present case studies that show how interdisciplinary community-based, scholarly research can increase the rigor of scientific research and improve data collection by assuring the validity of a study’s design and allow for better data interpretation that is more in line with real-world experience.

**Farrah Jacquez** is associate professor of psychology at the University of Cincinnati.

**Lina Svedin** is associate professor of political science at the University of Utah.

**Creating Culture through Health Leadership**

*Volume Two*

**Edited by LINA SVEDIN**

The essays in *Creating Culture through Health Leadership* focus on community organizing, building and resourcing through community action, organizing, and education. The contributors share their experiences of building networks and working with local groups to create public goods and improve their communities. Offering practical tools and strategies to make today’s research and practicum in health administration more attuned to the ground level needs, the contributors include steps on how to build these relationships, how to avoid common pitfalls, and how to create effective strategies for partnerships. Drawing on case studies in both rural and urban environments, this book provides useful tools, techniques, and strategies at the intersection of health, wealth, and disparity.

**Lina Svedin** is associate professor of political science at the University of Utah.
Exploring the Architecture of Place in America’s Public and Farmers Markets

KATHRYN CLARKE ALBRIGHT

Public and farmers markets have exploded over the past decade. Whether considered a destination or a convenient supplier, markets have become a community space where residents often linger and mingle beyond the purpose of picking up fresh and local produce and wares.

This book examines architectural space of public and farmers markets using three influential types of markets—heritage building, open-air pavilion, and pop-up canopy—and looks ahead to the mobile market to demonstrate the characteristics of each type using a mixture of narrative and illustrations. Each market discussed is viewed through an architectural lens based on eight scales of measure—the hand, the container, the person, the stall, a grouping of stalls, the street, the block, and the market’s situation within the neighborhood. Instructive and practical, this book will help urban planners, civic leaders, and neighborhood residents gain an understanding of which type of market might be best for the community.

Kathryn Clarke Albright is professor in the School of Architecture + Design and associate dean of academic affairs at Virginia Tech.
Nancy Au’s debut collection is rich with scents, sounds, imaginative leaps, and unexpected angles of vision. These seventeen stories present the challenges facing characters whose inner and outer lives often do not align, whose spirits attempt flight despite dashed hopes and lean circumstances. Marginalized by race, age, and sexuality, they endeavor to create new worlds that honor their identities and their Chinese heritage.

Au excels at inhabiting the minds and hearts of children and the elderly. In the title story, Sophie Chu dresses daily in her increasingly shabby elephant costume to ensure her missing parents recognize her upon their return. In “The Unfed,” a village elder seeks to revive, with her dimming magic, a mountain community struck by tragedy. “Louise” follows, with deceptive hilarity (involving a one-eyed duck), the nuanced give and take between May Zhou and Lai, dissimilar yet passionate partners considering parenthood. The volume also offers sparkling speculative work that taps into the strength of nature—fox spirits and fire beetles, swollen rivers and rippling clouds—to showcase the sometimes surreal transformations of Au’s protagonists.

_Spider Love Song and Other Stories_ treads the fault line that forms between lovers, families, friends, cultures—exposing injuries and vulnerabilities, but also the strength and courage necessary to recast resentment and anger into wonder and power. Au’s lyrical style, humor, and tender attention to her characters’ fancies and failings make this powerful debut a delight to read.

Nancy Au has an MFA from San Francisco State University and teaches creative writing at California State University–Stanislaus.
HoodWitch

This riveting debut from poet Faylita Hicks is a reclamation of power for black women and nonbinary people whose bodies have become the very weapons used against them. *HoodWitch* tells the story of a young person who discovers that they are “something that can & will survive / a whole century of hunt.” Through a series of poems based on childhood photographs, Hicks invokes the spirits of mothers and daughters, sex workers and widows, to conjure an alternative to their own early deaths and the deaths of those whom they have already lost.

In this collection about resilience, Hicks speaks about giving her child up for adoption, mourning the death of her fiancé, and embracing the nonbinary femme body—persevering in the face of medical malpractice, domestic abuse, and police violence. The poems find people transformed, “remade out of smoke & iron” into cyborgs and wolves, machines and witches—beings capable of seeking justice in a world that refuses them the option.

Exploring the intersections of Christianity, modern mysticism, and Afrofuturism in a sometimes urban, sometimes natural setting, Hicks finds a place where “everyone everywhere is hands in the air,” where “you know they gonna push & pull it together. / Just like they learned to.” It is a place of natural magick—where someone like Hicks can have more than one name: where they can be both dead and alive, both a mortal and a god.

Faylita Hicks is a black queer writer who received her MFA in creative writing from Sierra Nevada College’s low-residency program and lives in San Marcos, Texas.
Big Familia
A Novel

Big Familia follows Juan Gutiérrez, a self-employed single father, as he navigates a tumultuous year of inescapable change. His daughter, Stella, is on the verge of moving away to college; his lover, Jared, is pressing him for commitment; and his favorite watering hole—a ramshackle dive presided over by Bob the Bartender—is transforming into a karaoke hotspot. The story is set in a neighborhood that is also changing, gentrification inciting the ire of the established community.

Upon the unexpected death of one of the bar’s regulars, Juan is sent reeling, and a series of upheavals follow as he both seeks and spurns intimacy, pondering the legacy of distant parents and a failed marriage and grappling with his sexuality—all the while cycling and dating, drinking at Nicks Lounge, and parenting a determined and defiant child-become-woman.

When his incarcerated father dies and Stella reveals she’s pregnant, Juan is forced to examine the emotional bonds that both hold and hinder him, to reassess his ideas of commitment, of friendship, of love. His encounters with various characters—his mother, his ex-wife, a middle-aged punker, an aspiring acupuncturist, a dapper veteran—lead Juan to the realization that he himself must change to thrive.

This is a story of making family and making mistakes, of rending and of mending. As a Latinx queer father with a mixed-race daughter, Juan exemplifies the ways identity connects and divides us. With wit, insight, and tenderness, Big Familia explores the complexities of desire, devotion, and the mysteries of the heart.

Tomas Moniz is the editor of Rad Dad and Rad Families, as well as the children’s book Collaboration/Colaboración, and the author of the novella Bellies and Buffalos.
**Architecture and Fire**  
A Psychoanalytic Approach to Conservation  

STAMATIS ZOGRAFOS

Fire is at the center of human civilization. The first primitive hut was built around fire, deeply imprinting it on the collective memory of architecture. As we reassess architectural conservation, we would therefore do well to explore the intimate relationship between architecture and fire.

Founded in inventive interdisciplinary research that ranges across architecture and conservation, archival theory, classical mythology, evolutionary theory, philosophy, and psychoanalysis, *Architecture and Fire* draws on the insights of psychoanalysis to offer such a reassessment. Among the topics discussed are the ambivalent nature of fire, seen through the conflicting philosophies of Gaston Bachelard and Henri Bergson; the ways in which architecture evolves by absorbing and accommodating fire; and the destruction of buildings by fire as a critical moment of architectural evolution, with a focus on the tragic disaster at London’s Grenfell Tower in 2017. Stamatis Zografos concludes with thoughts on Freud’s drive theory. He argues that the practice of architectural conservation is an expression of the life drive and a simultaneous repression of the death drive, which suggests controlled destruction should be an integral part of the conservation agenda.

Stamatis Zografos is an architect, a lecturer in architecture at the University of Suffolk, and a teaching fellow in architectural history and theory at the UCL Bartlett School of Architecture. He is also the founder of Incandescent Square, an interdisciplinary platform for research and design.

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**Botticelli Past and Present**  

Edited by ANA DEBENEDETTI and CAROLINE ELAM

Botticelli gave us some of the most stunning Renaissance masterpieces. Paintings like *Primavera* and *The Birth of Venus* are as beloved today as at the time of their creation, as evidenced by recent exhibitions around the world. Botticelli’s influence and innovations also continue to inspire interest and passionate debate among art historians and lovers of art.

In four chapters, spanning centuries of Botticelli’s artistic fame and reception, *Botticelli Past and Present* engages with the significant debates about Botticelli. Each chapter collects several essays and includes a short introduction that positions them within the wider scholarly literature on Botticelli. The chapters are organized chronologically, beginning with discussion of the artist and his work in his own time, moving on to the progressive rediscovery of his work from the late eighteenth to the turn of the twentieth century, through to his enduring impact on contemporary art and design.

Ana Debenedetti is an art historian and curator of paintings at the Victoria and Albert Museum, where she co-curated *Botticelli Reimagined* in 2016 and coauthored the accompanying catalog. Caroline Elam is a senior research fellow at the Warburg Institute, University of London, specializing in the architecture, art, and patronage of the Italian Renaissance.
Ethics, Politics and Justice in Dante
Edited by GIULIA GAIMARI and CATHERINE KEEN

Why do Dante’s writings, written so long ago, still speak so compellingly to topics of political and moral significance today? Ethics, Politics and Justice in Dante comprises new research by an international slate of scholars on the themes of ethics, politics, and justice in the works of Dante. Together the chapters explore how Dante’s writings engaged with the contemporary culture of medieval Florence and Italy, and how and why his political and moral thought continues to resonate with modern readers. The contributors range across disciplines and scholarly traditions, including history, classics, philology, philosophy, and theology, to scrutinize Dante’s Divine Comedy and other works in Italian and Latin, offering a multifaceted approach to the evolution of Dante’s ethical, political, and legal thought throughout his career. Chapters focus on Dante’s early philosophical Convivio; on the Latin Eclogues of his later years; and on knotty themes relating to judgment, justice, rhetoric, and literary ethics in the Divine Comedy. The closing chapters discuss the public reception of Dante’s work in both Italy and Britain, from the nineteenth into the twenty-first century.

Giulia Gaimari was a Wolfson Postgraduate Scholar at UCL, where she recently obtained her PhD. Catherine Keen is associate professor in the Italian Department at UCL. She is senior coeditor of the journal Italian Studies.

Responsibility of Intellectuals
Reflections by Noam Chomsky and Others after 50 years
Edited by NICHOLAS ALLOTT, CHRIS KNIGHT, and NEIL SMITH

With the publication of “The Responsibility of Intellectuals,” Noam Chomsky burst onto the US political scene as a leading critic of the war in Vietnam. Privilege, he argues, brings with it the responsibility to tell the truth and expose lies, but our intellectual culture only pays lip service to this ideal. The essay has been described as the “single most influential piece of anti-war literature” of the Vietnam War period. Since then, Chomsky has continued to equip a growing international audience with the facts and arguments needed to understand—and change—our world. According to the New York Times, Chomsky “may be the most widely read American voice on foreign policy on the planet today.”

This book revisits “The Responsibility of Intellectuals” half a century later. It includes six new essays written to celebrate Chomsky’s famous intervention and explore its relevance in today’s world. Nicholas Allott, Chris Knight, Milan Rai, and Neil Smith have studied and written about Chomsky’s thought for many years, while Craig Murray and Jackie Walker describe the personal price they have paid for speaking out. The book concludes with Chomsky’s recollections of the background to the original publication of his essay, followed by extensive commentary from him on its fiftieth anniversary.

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