# ATHENÆUM BOOKSHELF

January 2013 (Books purchased for December 2012)

# **FEATURED SELECTIONS**

# **THE BARBAROUS YEARS**

**BERNARD BAILYN** 

Bailyn follows the lives of Europeans and Africans to their beginnings in British North America and the struggles with not only the natives, but with each other as well. (*Publisher's Weekly* Top Ten Best Books of 2012)

614 p., ill.

### **BETTER THAN FICTION**

DON GEORGE, ED.

True travel stories from beloved fiction writers such as Alexander McCall Smith, Frances Mayes, Joyce Carol Oates and Isabel Allende.

# **ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN**

**ALWAYS LOOKING** 

**JOHN UPDIKE** 

Fourteen brilliant essays and a lecture all by the late novelist John Updike, looking at various facets of Western Art.

204 p., ill.

**LOOKING AT TEXTILES** 

**ELENA PHIPPS** 

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THE TRUE IMAGE

**DANIEL W. PATTERSON** 

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481 p., ill.

### **BIOGRAPHY**

**AMERICAN LADY** 

CAROLINE DE MARGERIE

A biography of influential aristocrat and hostess Susan Mary Alsop.

232 p., ill.

# JOSEPH ANTON: A MEMOIR

**SALMAN RUSHDIE+** 

Rushdie's memoir of his nine years spent underground, under the alias Joseph Anton, after the Ayatollah Khomeini sentenced to death for writing *The Satanic Verses*. 636 p.

THE LAST LION

WILLIAM MANCHESTER AND PAUL REID

The third volume of this work recounts Winston Churchill's political history from becoming prime minister until his death in 1965.

1182 p., ill.

# MARMEE AND LOUISA

EVE LAPLANTE

Based on recent documents found, LaPlante looks to Louisa May Alcott's relationship with her mother Abigail, arguing that much of her education should be attributed to Abigail, a feminist and activist. 368 p., ill.

**OPEN HEART** 

**ELIE WIESEL** 

The award winning author reflects on his life, all the accomplishments and regrets, while recovering from heart surgery.

79 p.

**THE PATRIARCH** 

**DAVID NASAW** 

The full story of Joseph P. Kennedy and the beginning of the twentieth century's most famous political dynasty.

(New York Times 10 Best Books of 2012)

896 p., ill.

### THOMAS JEFFERSON: THE ART OF POWER

JON MEACHAM

Pulitzer Prize winner Mecham, author of *American Lion* and *Franklin and Winston*, turns his eye on Jefferson. (New York Times 100 Notable Books of 2012) 759 p., ill

#### TRAVEL

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True travel stories from beloved fiction writers such as Alexander McCall Smith, Frances Mayes, Joyce Carol Oates and Isabel Allende.

**EYEWITNESS TRAVEL: USA** 

799 p., ill.

# **HISTORY & POLITICS**

1775 KEVIN PHILLIPS

Phillips argues that the year 1775 was more important to launching the Revolutionary War than 1776.628 p., ill.

# THE BARBAROUS YEARS

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### **IMMOVABLE FAITH**

**ELIZABETH H. OSTRANDER** 

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#### LOST LONDON

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**RICHARD GUARD** 

THE POPE'S JEWS GORDON THOMAS

Thomas argues against the view that Pope Pius XII did nothing for the Jewish community during the Holocaust, but rather makes the case that the Vatican saved thousands of Jewish lives.

314 p., ill.

THE WATCHERS

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# **MISCELLANEOUS**

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**WILLIAM BYNUM** 

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**ALBERT J. CHURELLA** 

A detailed account of both the inner workings of the Pennsylvania Railroad and its impact on the development of America. Volume 1 covers the period 1846-1917. (Does Not Circulate By Mail) 945 p., ill.

# **AUDIOBOOKS AND DVDs**

THE BLACK BOX

MICHAEL CONNELLY

Harry Bosch investigates a case from the LAPD's Open-Unsolved Unit. Stopping at nothing, he seeks out more information about the death of Danish journalist Anneke Jesperson, who was killed in South Central L.A. after the riots in 1992

9 CDs, 10.5 hrs

#### **BRIDESHEAD REVISTED (DVDs)**

The award-winning TV drama, based on the novel by Evelyn Waugh. Charles and Sebastian, two young men from very different backgrounds meet and become friends at Oxford. Starring Jeremy Irons and Anthony Andrews.

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### **FICTION**

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A desperate young artist finds herself involved in a plot to create a forgery of a Degas painting that was stolen from the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston, and decides to research the paintings origins.

(Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Lee)

360 p.

BEAUTIFUL LIES CLARK

Set in London 1887, a politician's wife lives a double life, but when a journalist takes an unusual interest in her, she fears her husband's career and their reputation will be ruined.

500 p.

THE BLACK BOX MICHAEL CONNELLY+

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THE CUTTING SEASON ATTICA LOCKE

The manager of a plantation turned tourist attraction investigates a murder which uncovers secrets about the plantation's history, and her own.

374 p.

DEAR LIFE ALICE MUNRO

A brilliant collection of stories about the moments that alter life, and portraits of how strange events make life more extraordinary and beautiful.

320 p.

# **EIGHT GIRLS TAKING PICTURES**

WHITNEY OTTO+

A moving portrayal of eight famous female photographers of the twentieth century depicting the conflicts women face through motherhood, marriage and domesticity. Six of the characters are based on real photographers.

342 p., ill.

### THE ELEPHANT KEEPERS' CHILDREN

PETER HØEG

KAREN ENGELMANN

Three Danish children embark on a fascinating journey to find their parents, two devout church members who have gone missing. By the author of *Smilla's Sense of Snow*.

496 p.

FLIGHT BEHAVIOR BARBARA KINGSLOVER

An unhappily married woman discovers a lake of fire one evening and takes it as a miraculous sign, while the rest of the world seeks other explanations. (*New York Times* 100 Notable Books of 2012) 436 p.

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Special agent John Puller investigates the suspicious death of his aunt, and the beautiful Florida town of Paradise, where she lived, which may be hiding a seedy underbelly.

424 p.

THE LAWGIVER HERMAN WOUK

The author of best-sellers such as *Marjorie Morningstar* and *The Winds of War* has written himself into his latest novel. Here he appears as a consultant for a hot young writer-director's movie about Moses. 234 p.

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From bestselling author of *The Alienist* comes the story of a medieval city named Broken, those who defend the city, and those who seek to destroy it.

734 p.

# THE MARSEILLE CAPER PETER MAYLE

In this sequel to *The Vintage Caper*, Sam Levitt and Elena Morales are invited to represent the victim of their previous heist in Marseilles. Once there, they realize this is no European vacation.

RED CELL MARK HENSHAW

A rookie officer in the CIA's Red Cell gets a second chance on a rescue mission to China. She must get her man out before Chinese security captures and executes him.

326 p.

# THE STOCKHOLM OCTAVO

In 1791, when the town fortune-teller has a vision about him, Stockholm bureaucrat Emil Larsson must search for his path to love. In order to do so he must use his Octavo, a set of eight cards that augur the eight people who will assist him.

416 p.

SWEET TOOTH IAN McEWAN

Serena, a young British Intelligence agent, meets a writer while on an undercover mission. Things get complicated when she develops strong feelings for him. (New York Times 100 Notable Books of 2012) 304 p.

SWIMMING HOME DEBORAH LEVY

A peculiar woman shows up at a family's holiday villa and brings a complex and intricate web of secrets with her. .(New York Times 100 Notable Books of 2012, shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize 2012) 157 p.

### **THE TESTAMENT OF MARY**

**COLM TÓIBÍN** 

A re-imagining of the life of the Virgin Mary after Christ's death. Here she disputes her son's status as Son of God, and does not shrink from judging herself or others. (*New York Times* 100 Notable Books of 2012) 81 p.

WITNESS THE NIGHT

**KISHWAR DESAI** 

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**THE YELLOW BIRDS** 

**KEVIN POWERS+** 

An acclaimed novel, written by a veteran, that follows the struggles of two young soldiers fighting in Iraq. (National Book Award finalist, New York Times 10 Best Books of 2012)

230 p.

# **DETECTIVES**

**AFTER CLARE** 

MARJORIE ECCLES

In 1922, Lady Emily Fitzallan has returned to a family country house for an event, when a skeleton is found on the property. Although it belongs to a solider, could it be connected to her sister Clare, who disappeared over a half a century earlier?

# **BENEATH THE ABBEY WALL**

A.D. SCOTT

When the Highland Gazette's efficient office manager is murdered, the staff investigates.

340 p.

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MARGARET MARON+ Iderly Mrs. Lattimore's

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305 p., geneal. table

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Charles Lenox leaves Victorian London for what he hopes will be a relaxing visit to his uncle's estate. Instead he must investigate an escalating series of crimes.

310 p.

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470 p.

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J.M. GREGSON

Not all is well at the seemingly idyllic National Trust property Westbourne Gardens.

196 p.

#### **NOTORIOUS NINETEEN**

JANET EVANOVICH+

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433 p.

#### **TALKING TO THE DEAD**

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Welsh Detective Constable Fiona Griffiths investigates the death of a drug addicted prostitute and her young daughter and their connection to the earlier death of a steel tycoon.

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M. ELIAS KELLER

This new work is a companion to Robert Louis Stevenson's *Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.* Instead of a doctor, Keller imagines a wealthy banker taking the potion. Instead of evil, it releases the giving side of his nature, which does not endear him to the city's upper classes.

140 p.

STRANGE CASE OF DR. JEKYLL AND MR. HYDE is included in this volume.

87 p.

# **ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN**

#### **CAPRICIOUS FANCY**

A look at draping and curtaining the historic interior, 1800-1930, drawing extensively on the Athenaeum's collection. **Gift of the publisher. Does not circulate by mail.**292 p., ill.

#### THE LOST PAINTING

JONATHAN HARR

A real-life mystery – the quest to locate a long-lost Caravaggio masterpiece, *The Taking of Christ*. **Gift of Karen LiPuma**271 p.

### **LOUIS KAHN: THE POWER OF ARCHITECTURE**

Catalog of the exhibition by the same name, filled with images and essays. **Gift of the publisher. Does not circulate by mail.**354 p., ill.

#### **WORLD'S FAIR GARDENS**

#### **CATHY JEAN MALONEY**

The author examines the landscapes of nine of America's great fairs, including the 1876 Centennial in Philadelphia, and some of the gardening innovations that were shown. Includes over 100 illustrations. 244 p., ill.

# **BIOGRAPHY**

#### **EMPRESS OF FASHION**

### **AMANDA MACKENZIE STUART**

The life of Diana Vreeland, legendary fashion guru and editor of Vogue.

419 p., ill.

#### LADY BIRD JOHNSON

#### **MICHAEL L. GILLETTE**

Extensive oral history interviews form the backbone of this new biography of arguably one of the most admired First Ladies of America.

400 p., ill.

NAPOLEON ALAN FORREST

An examination of the political legacy of Napoleon. The author cuts down myths and misconceptions to illuminate the remarkable story behind the famous ruler.

403 p., ill.

#### **THORNTON WILDER**

#### PENELOPE NIVEN

A new biography of playwright and novelist Thornton Wilder, based on extensive research using manuscripts, family journals, and other personal documents.

#### **TUTANKHAMEN**

#### **JOYCE TYLDESLEY**

Much has been written about King Tutankhamen's tomb, but here an Egyptologist takes an insightful look at the young king himself.

316 p., ill.

# **HISTORY & POLITICS**

#### **SHOOTING VICTORIA**

### **PAUL THOMAS MURPHY**

Murphy discusses the many assassination attempts during Queen Victoria's life and how these attempts only strengthened the British Monarchy. (*New York Times* 100 Notable Books of 2012) 669 p., ill.

# **SCIENCE & MEDICINE**

FOOLING HOUDINI ALEX STONE

The author's quest to become a master magician leads him to an examination the science behind deception and how our minds may be tricked by illusionists.

301 p.

MAPHEAD KEN JENNINGS

Jeopardy! Champion Ken Jennings writes a book for geography lovers everywhere diving into various aspects of map culture.

276 p., ill.

MEDICAL MUSES ASTI HUSTVEDT

In the late nineteenth century, three young French women became medical celebrities. The author looks at their lives, the neurologist who treated them, and at what they suffered from – hysteria, a disease that is no longer recognized today.

372 p., ill.

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

### THE END OF YOUR LIFE BOOK CLUB

WILL SCHWALBE+

The story of the 'book club' that the author and his mother started as she was treated for pancreatic cancer, and how the books they read united them in the final months of her life.

336 p.

MILK MONEY KIRK KARDASHIAN

A look at the difficulties faced by traditional small dairy farms and the problems caused by the rise of factory farming. 253 p., ill.

REPUBLIC OF WORDS SUSAN GOODMAN

Goodman looks at American culture in the mid-nineteenth to early twentieth centuries through the writing that appeared in the Atlantic Monthly, which boasted contributors such as Mark Twain and Robert Frost. 330 p.

#### THE WORLD UNTIL YESTERDAY

**JARED DIAMOND+** 

The author of Guns, Germs and Steel asks What can we learn from traditional societies?

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### LOCAL INTEREST

### THE HIDDEN HISTORY OF DELAWARE COUNTY

MARK E. DIXON

A collection of Dixon's *Main Line Today* columns. Learn about local lore -from a hero of the Underground Railroad to early to rock and roller Bill Haley.

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HOTEL DU PONT JOANNA L. ARAT

A pictorial look at Delaware's most famous hotel, from the *Images if America* series. 127 p., ill.

# THIS FAR BY FAITH

ED. BY DAVID R. CONTOSTA

Tradition and change in the Episcopal Diocese of Philadelphia. Gift of Richard and Margaret Ullman. 390 p., ill.

# **TRAVEL**

#### **BUDAPEST (EYEWITNESS TRAVEL)**

272 p.

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THE RACKETEER JOHN GRISHAM

Former attorney Malcolm Bannister, now in a Federal Prison Camp, uses information only he knows about the murder of Judge Fawcett as leverage to help secure his own release. Gift of Jonathan Miller.

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### **FICTION**

THE CHILD'S CHILD **BARBARA VINE** 

Adult siblings inherit their grandmother's home, and share the large residence companionably until Andrew brings home a new boyfriend whose presence causes friction with Grace. Meanwhile, Grace begins reading an unpublished novel from the 1950s, The Child's Child, about a pair of siblings similar to herself and Andrew.

**SEBASTIAN FAULKS** 

THE CREEPER TANIA CARVER

Detective Inspector Phil Brennan is on the trail of an ultra-violent serial killer who first stalks his female victims 468 p.

**DEFENDING JACOB WILLIAM LANDAY** 

A well respected assistant district attorney must defend his own 14-year-old son when he is charged with the murder of a schoolmate. (Gift of Karen LiPuma) 421 p.

**FEAR ITSELF ANDREW ROSENHEIM** 

Jimmy Nessheim, a young FBI Special Agent in the 1930s, goes undercover in a pro-Nazi German-American organization. As his investigation takes off, Nessheim finds that things are much more serious and complex than he thought, and the intrigue reaches to the highest levels of Washington society. 430 p.

THE INVISIBLE CITY **EMILI ROSALES** 

In this historical mystery, a gallery owner in Barcelona receives a manuscript about the "Invisible City" from the time of Charles III. 261 p.

IT'S FINE BY ME PER PETTERSON

Audun, an intelligent teenager living in Oslo, must work as a newspaper delivery boy to support his mother and family. But when his alcoholic father returns home, he sets out to see what else the world has to offer.

A KILLER IN THE WIND ANDREW KLAVAN+

In this psychological thriller a detective finds echoes of a troubling case from his past when a new body turns out. She looks just a woman from that time. Trouble is, the woman had only been in his dreams.

**MEN IN SPACE TOM McCARTHY** 

A stolen painting makes it way through Central Europe pursued by a quirky cast of characters. 293 p.

ORDERS FROM BERLIN SIMON TOLKIEN A gripping thriller involving the murder of a former head of MI6, set in wartime London, 1940. 309 p.

A POSSIBLE LIFE

Five stories of unforgettable characters, drawn over centuries, linked through the pursuit of love and human connection. 287 p.

RAISED FROM THE GROUND

This book from the late Nobel Prize-winning author, first published in 1980, has finally been translated into

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THE RUINS OF LACE **IRIS ANTHONY** 

As the growing passion for Flemish lace, a forbidden luxury, takes over France, two lacemakers get caught up in the frenzy. 326 p.

STRANGE CASE OF MR. BODKIN AND FATHER WHITECHAPEL M. ELIAS KELLER

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**DOUGLAS PRESTON &LINCOLN CHILD+ TWO GRAVES** 

Specical agent Pendergast thought his wife had been dead for 12 years, but she is alive and in danger. Her rescue is just the beginning in this adventure by this pair of *New York Times* bestselling authors. 484 p.

**UMBRELLA** 

Will Self writes a radical modernist novel about consciousness set in a suburban London mental hospital in 1971 and woven together by a psychiatrist and his elderly patient, who suffers from a mysterious condition,. 397 p Shortlisted for the 2012 Man Booker Prize.

# THE WRATH OF ANGELS

JOHN CONNOLLY+

When a mysterious plane crashes in Maine, the forces of good and evil seek its precious cargo – a list of people who have made a deal with the Devil.

474 p.

# **DETECTIVES**

#### THE COCKTAIL WAITRESS

**JAMES M. CAIN** 

The final novel from the acclaimed author of *The Postman Always Rings Twice* and *Mildred Pierce* features a newly widowed woman caught up in a love triangle. 270 p.

#### **DEATH AND THE MAIDEN**

**FRANK TALLIS** 

A Max Leibermann mystery involving the death of a star singer at the Vienna Opera House.

373 p.

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The deaths of a prominent Tuscan winemaker and his wife at first appear to be a case of murder-suicide. However, when forensics professor Gideon Oliver looks at the bones, his conclusion differs. 294 p.

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LISA REGAN

A one-night stand becomes complicated for a detective when he realizes that the lovely lady he met in a bar may have been snatched from her family as a teenager a decade ago and may still be at the mercy of her abductor.

420 p.

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Waking up in a hospital after an accident on the Isle of Man, Rob's first thought is for the beautiful girl who was with him. However, the doctors and police insist that he was found alone. Is she real, or did he only imagine her?

STAKEOUT PARNELL HALL

A private investigator is arrested when a main he was trailing turns up dead in a motel room..

281 p.

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**CAROLA DUNN** 

The rescue of a drowning Indian man in Cornwall leads to a race against time when it appears his family may be in peril.

309 p.

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**CHARLES ATKINS** 

When a woman at a retirement community becomes an executrix of a passed friend's estate, she and her friend soon discover the word of antiquing is more dangerous than expected.

217 p.

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HEFT (Fiction) LIZ MOORE+

A teenager, struggling with school and family issues, connects with his mother's former teacher, a now 550 lb. shut-in. Could this friendship between an unlikely pair help save both of them?

352 p.

# **ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN**

#### THE ARCHITECTURE OF THE BARNES FOUNDATION

TOD WILLIAMS AND BILLIE TSIEN

A detailed look at how architects Williams and Tsien approached their commission to design the new Barnes Foundation galleries with many drawings and photographs.

176 p., ill.

BUILDING TALIESIN RON McCREA

Rich with illustrations McCrea delivers the early history of Taliesin, the Wisconsin house Frank Lloyd Wright designed for Mamah Borthwick.

# HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE IN NORTHWEST PHILADELPHIA

JOSEPH MINARDI

A richly illustrated history of architecture in Northwest Philadelphia. spanning from 1690 to the 1930s .272 p., ill.

A MAN AND HIS SHIP STEVEN UJIFUSA

Ujifusa looks at the life and works of William Francis Gibbs, considered to be America's best naval architect in the 1940s and '50s and whose work includes the S.S. United States, which is currently docked in Philadelphia.

437 p., ill.

#### PHILADELPHIA ON STONE

**ED ERIKA PTOLA** 

A look at the history of commercial lithography in Philadelphia during the 19th century. (Gift of the Library Company of Philadelphia)

295 p., ill.

TITIAN SHEILA HALE

A biography of the life and works of Venetian High Renaissance painter Titain.

832 p., ill.

# **BIOGRAPHY**

AMERICAN ISIS CARL ROLLYSON

A new biography of poet Sylvia Plath, using materials, such as letters between Plath and her husband Ted Hughes, that have recently been made available.

# AT THE EDGE OF THE WAR

DR. HAROLD RASHKIS

Dr. Rashkis relates his experiences from early life to college and into his service with the Army, as well as reflecting on changes to the practice of psychiatry and his contributions to the field. (**Gift of the author**) 174 p

THE KING YEARS

Pulitzer Prize winner Branch presents eighteen important moments from the civil rights movement. 210 p., ill.

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SERVANTS' HALL MARGARET POWELL

A second memoir of life in service in the grand homes of England, told by the bestselling author of *Below Stairs*.

184 p.

#### YOUNG HENRY ROBERT HUTCHINSON

A fascinating history of Henry VIII's childhood and his rise to tyrannical power, transforming his country the monarchy.

356 p., ill.

### **TRAVEL**

#### **EYEWITNESS TRAVEL: BARCELONA & CATALONIA**

208 p.,ill.

### **HISTORY & POLITICS**

# **THE ART OF BETRAYAL**

**GORDON CORERA** 

A history of the British Secret Intelligence Service (MI6).

481 p., ill.

### THE BRYN ATHYN HISTORIC DISTRICT

ED GYLLENHAAL AND KIRSTEN HANSEN GYLLENHALL

A look at the history of Bryn Athyn and its architecture, from the *Images of America* series.

127 p., ill.

# **COLLINGDALE BOROUGH**

**ELIZABETH MACGUIRE** 

A pictorial look at Collingdale, Delaware County, from the *Images of America* series.

127 p., ill.

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MARK BOWDEN

The best-selling author of *Black Hawk Down* gives an account of the death of Osama Bin Laden along with the events surrounding it.

266 p.

### THE INVENTOR AND THE TYCOON

**EDWARD BALL** 

The intriguing tale of railroad tycoon Leland Stanford and his funding of the man who invented the first moving picture, but who also had a darker side.

447 p., ill.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

# THE CLASH OF THE CULTURES

JOHN C. BOGLE

Bogle, the founder of the Vanguard Group and involved in finance for over 60 years, writes of the destructive change made within the financial sector in the U.S., the switch from a focus on investment to speculation.

353 p., ill.

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**MILES ORVELL** 

Orvell looks at the idealized image and the complex reality of Main Street.

286 p., ill.

#### **FATHER'S DAY**

**BUZZ BISSINGER+** 

The uplifting story of a father and his adult son with special needs, as they take a journey across the U.S. By the author of *Friday Night Lights*.

#### **MASTERMIND**

MARIA KONNIKOVA

Konnikova, a psychologist and journalist, explains how to enhance mental function in areas of problem-solving and deductive reasoning so you can think like Sherlock Holmes.

#### **NATURE NEXT DOOR**

**ELLEN STROUD** 

Stroud looks at the history of cities and trees in the American Northeast and explains how the once deforested landscape has been allowed to flourish again.

207 p., ill.

#### **DVDs**

#### **DOWNTON ABBEY: SEASON 3**

Downton Abbey's third season follows the Crawley's and the rest of the estate into the 1920s. This DVD set features over two hours of bonus material.

3 discs, 8.7 hrs

# **FICTION**

#### **ASHENDEN**

**ELIZABETH WILHIDE** 

Two siblings inherit a 250 year old house from their aunt, and while deciding whether to keep it or sell it they discover the rich history of not only the house, but its inhabitants as well.

339 p.

# THE FIFTH ASSASSIN

**BRAD MELTZER** 

Beecher White investigates the four successful presidential assassins and discovers they were all somehow working together, and suspects a fifth assassin is plotting to kill the current president.

436 p.

THE HEART BROKE IN

**JAMES MEEK** 

Five people lives become intertwined with each other for various reasons.

401 p.

**HEFT** 

LIZ MOORE+

A teenager, struggling with school and family issues, connects with his mother's former teacher, a now 550 lb. shut-in. Could this friendship between an unlikely pair help save both of them?

352 p.

# **THE HOGARTH CONSPIRACY**

ALEX CONNOR

A painting by William Hogarth could significantly affect the British monarchy. When someone who knows about it and its implications is murdered, Sir Oliver Peter realizes he must find the 300-year-old work of art. 387 p.

THE INTERCEPT DICK WOLF

NYPD Detective Jeremy Fisk and his partner must follow up on an incident which occurred on a plane just days before a July 4th ceremony at Ground Zero in Manhattan.

387 p.

KINSEY AND ME SUE GRAFTON+

New York Times-Bestselling author Sue Grafton presents nine stories featuring her popular character Kinsey Millhone, and thirteen short stories featuring Kit Blue, a character rooted in her own dark past. 286 p

**THE LAST RUNAWAY** 

**TRACY CHEVALIER+** 

From the author of *The Girl With a Pearl Earring,* this novel follows Honor Bright, an English Quaker in 1850s Ohio, and her involvement in the Underground Railroad.

<u>LIFE GOES ON</u>
HANS KEILSON

First published when the author was 23 and quickly banned by the Nazis in 1934, *Life Goes On* is an incredible autobiographical novel about a Jewish shop owner modeled from Keilson's own father. At the age of 100, he wanted to see his novel republished and translated. He died in 2011 at the age of 101.

MAGIC WORDS GERALD KOLPAN

The dust jacket says it all: "The tale of a Jewish boy-interpreter, the world's most estimable magician, a murderous harlot, and America's greatest Indian chief."

400 p., ill.

#### **MERRY CHRISTMAS, ALEX CROSS**

JAMES PATTERSON

Alex Cross must help a family being held hostage on Christmas Eve. (Anonymous gift)

323 p.

**A MIND OF WINTER** 

**SHIRA NAYMAN** 

This psychological thriller follows three people in the 1940s and '50s: the owner of a great Long Island Mansion, his lost love in Shanghai, and a photographer working a book while staying as a guest at the mansion.

320 p.

PUBLIC FIGURES JENA OSMAN

Illustrated with photographs of Philadelphia statues, in this selection Jena Osman's poetry considers these statues and what it means to see the world from their perspective.

79 p., ill.

### TRUTH IN ADVERTISING

**JOHN KENNEY+** 

In this debut novel, a family illness forces advertising copywriter Finbar Dolan to revaluate his future and come clean about his past.

# **DETECTIVES**

**BEAR IS BROKEN** 

**LACHLAN SMITH+** 

When Leo Maxwell's brother is shot in front of him, he must find the person responsible. His investigation uncovers secrets, and a substantial list of suspects.

#### THE BUGHOUSE AFFAIR

MARCIA MULLER AND BILL PRONZINI+

Set in 1890s San Francisco, a former Pinkerton operative and her partner take on two investigations that end up connecting in a very surprising way.

269 p.

COVER OF SNOW JENNY MILCHMAN+

When a seemingly content policeman commits suicide in a quiet Adirondack community, his wife begins asking questions from those who knew him well, but no one seems willing to answer.

326 p.

FROZEN KATE WATTERSON

Detective Ellie MacIntosh is on the trail of a serial killer, with a primary suspect who keeps discovering the remains of the victims.

THE MIDWIFE'S TALE SAM THOMAS+

In 17th century England, a midwife and a servant set out to prove another woman innocent of murder before she is burned at the stake.

310 p.

# **THE MISSING ITALIAN GIRL**

# **BARBARA CORRADO POPE**

In late 19th century Paris, Magistrate Bernard Martin and his wife Claire investigate the disappearance of two immigrant girls and hope to rescue them before it is too late.

314 p.

# **SNOW WHITE MUST DIE**

**NELE NEUHAUS+** 

Two German police detectives must investigate the connection between the recent death of a woman and the disappearance of two girls eleven years, earlier before more people vanish. This is the U.S. debut of an international bestseller.

# **STANDING IN ANOTHER MAN'S GRAVE**

IAN RANKIN

The return of Detective John Rebus find him investigating the disappearance of a girl many years ago and two recent disappearances which he believes to be linked.

388 p.

SUSPECT ROBERT CRAIS+

A military canine suffering from PTSD is partnered up with LAPD cop Scott James as they try to find out who killed Scott's former partner.

312 p.

### **WATCHING THE DARK**

PETER ROBINSON+

Detective Chief Inspector Alan Banks investigates a sensitive case in which a decorated cop was murdered, and he believes that the death may be tied to an earlier missing persons case.. 354 p.

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April 2013 (Books purchased for March 2013)

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#### **FADING ADS OF PHILADELPHIA**

LAWRENCE O'TOOLE

O'Toole documents, through photography the ghostly images of fading ads on old Philadelphia buildings, before they disappear completely.

182 p, ill.

# **GLITTERING IMAGES**

**CAMILLE PAGLIA** 

Paglia walks the reader through the idea of the Western world's seminal art from ancient Egypt to George Lucas' Star Wars scenes.

### **INVENTING THE MODERN WORLD**

JASON T. BUSCH AND CATHERINE L. FUTTER

A catalog of innovative decorative arts as exhibited at World's Fair from 1851-1939. (Does not circulate by mail) 303 p., ill.

**JAMES WYATT** 

**JOHN MARTIN ROBINSON** 

A profile of the life and works of James Wyatt, architect to George III in the eighteenth century.

THE PINECONE

JENNIFER UGLOW

The story of Sarah Losh, a forgotten Victorian architect who created a magical church in England.

332 p., ill.

370 p, ill.

# **RENOIR IN THE BARNES FOUNDATION**

MARTHA LUCY AND JOHN HOUSE

A look at the world's largest collections of paintings by Pierre-Auguste Renoir. (Does not circulate by mail)

382 p., ill

# **BIOGRAPHY**

C.S. LEWIS

ALISTER McGRATH

A look at the life of literary genius C.S. Lewis, who taught at Oxford, while writing the beloved children's fantasy series- *The Chronicles of Narnia*.

**MIRACLES OF LIFE** 

J.G. BALLARD

The autobiography of the extraordinary author James Graham Ballard, and the life changing events and experiences that inspired novels such as *Empire of the Sun*. 250 p., ill.

### **MY BELOVED WORLD**

**SONIA SOTOMAYOR** 

Sotomayor takes us from her childhood through triumphs and struggles leading up to her appointment as the first Hispanic on the United States Supreme Court.

315 p., ill.

**NANCY** 

ADRIAN FORT

A look at Lady Astor, the American-born first female Member of Parliament.

378 p., ill.

<u>VOW</u> WENDY PLUMP+

An honest and frank memoir about the realities of marriage, the meaning of vows and the understanding of fidelity.

262 p.

# **HISTORY & POLITICS**

# THE EDGE OF NEW NETHERLAND

L.F. TANTILLO

A look at the Dutch colonization of New Netherland, which is now parts of New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Pennsylvania and most of Connecticut, showing an emerging nation through the perspective of the Dutch and Swedish settlers of the 17<sup>th</sup> century.

95 p., ill.

# **FOUNDATION**

PETER ACKROYD

A narration of the history of England up to the death of King Henry VII in 1509.

486 p., ill.

# THE GIRLS OF ATOMIC CITY

**DENISE KIERNAN+** 

Kiernan uncovers the stories of the women who contributed to the war effort during World War II in Oak Ridge, Tennessee by working on a secret operation that turned out to be the Manhattan Project. 371 p., ill.

### THE GREAT PEARL HEIST

**MOLLY CALDWELL CROSBY** 

A fascinating whodunit about the 1913 jewel heist, when an exquisite strand of pink pearls vanished en route from London to Paris.

288 p.. ill.

### LAST SEASON OF INNOCENCE

**VICTOR BROOKS** 

An examination of the lives of teenagers and the development of youth culture in the 1960s.

207 p.

#### **ROUND ABOUT THE EARTH**

**JOYCE E. CHAPLIN** 

A thrilling history of circumnavigation, profiling of some of the men and women who have ambitiously travelled around the entire globe.

535 p., ill.

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### THE LADY AND HER MONSTERS

**ROSEANNE MONTILLO+** 

Montillo explores the origins of Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*, including a look at the real-life experiments of scientists of the time.

322 p., ill.

### LITERARY ROGUES

**ANDREW SHAFFER** 

A humorous look at literary greats misbehaving.

297 p.

# **TRAVEL**

# **SPY SITES OF NEW YORK CITY**

H. KEITH MELTON AND ROBERT WALLACE WITH HENRY SCHLESINGER

Uncover the secrets, stories and locations of some of the New York City's spies throughout history. (Gift of Henry R. Schlesinger)

159 p., ill.

#### **AUDIO**

# **FATHER BROWN MYSTERIES**

**G.K. CHESTERTON** 

A full cast audio drama featuring *The Blue Cross, The Queer Feet, The Secret Garden* and *The Arrow of Heaven.*Perfect for car rides or to listen to at the gym! (Gift of Edward Scharff)

2 discs, 1 hr 59 mins

# **FICTION**

**AIRTIGHT** 

DAVID ROSENFELT+

A Judge is found murdered, and New Jersey Policeman Luke Somers becomes a hero when he finds a credible suspect. However, not everyone thinks he's such a hero, especially the suspect's brother who is convinced he's innocent and will stop at nothing to get his brother's name cleared.

**ALEX CROSS, RUN** 

**JAMES PATTERSON+** 

Alec Cross is so busy investigating three cases involving mutilated women that he fails to notice someone with an eye on Cross himself.

**CAGE OF BONES** 

**TANIA CARVER** 

An abandoned building yields a cage of bones with a young child in it, linked to a killer who has gone undetected for thirty years- a gripping read for thriller fans!

#### A COLD AND LONELY PLACE

SARA J. HENRY

When a body is discovered in the ice at the local Winter Carnival, Freelance writer Troy Chance is assigned to write a feature on the victim. Things take a very disturbing turn when the man's sister comes to town. 287 p.

**THE DINNER** 

**HERMAN KOCH+** 

Two couples meet for dinner in Amsterdam and as the meal progress the conversation turns to the real reason they are there - that their teenage sons have been involved in something very horrible.

292 p.

**EDGE OF BLACK** 

J.T. ELLISON

Dr. Samantha Owens must investigate the deaths of the three people on the Washington Metro from the release of an unknown pathogen. Why such a relatively small number of victims?

364 p.

GUN CHURCH REED FARREL COLEMAN

A washed-up writer now relegated to teaching at community college becomes involved with a gun-obsessed cult that finally revives his dormant creativity.

396 p.

HARVEST JIM CRACE

Newcomers to a small remote English village threaten the village's way of life.

208 p.

HIT ME LAWRENCE BLOCK+

"Nicholas Edwards" is a hard working family man but when the economy tanks, desperation leads him back to his old profession as a hit man.

337 p.

LOUISE'S GAMBLE SARAH R. SHABER

Louise Pearlie is a chief file clerk at the OSS in wartime Washington, D.C. A casual friendship leaves Louise caught up with organized crime, espionage and more.

181 p

TENTH OF DECEMBER

**GEORGE SAUNDERS** 

A collection of short stories that deal with human mortality.

251 p.

#### THE THING ABOUT THUGS

TABISH KHAIR

After a series of homicides in Victorian London occur, immediately the outsider – an alleged member of an infamous cult in India – is seen as guilty. This "thug" must redeem his innocence by catching the real killer with the help of fellow immigrants.

#### **VAMPIRES IN THE LEMON GROVE**

KAREN RUSSELL

Karen Russell, *NY Times* best-selling author of *Swamplandia!* and Pulitzer Prize finalist, writes an imaginative collection of short stories full of magical innovation.

A WEEK IN WINTER MAEVE BINCHY

An assorted group of strangers spend a week together as guests at a mansion turned hotel on the coast of Ireland. By the author of *Circle of Friends*.

325 p.

# **DETECTIVES**

BAD BLOOD DANA STABENOW+

Kate Shugak helps Sergeant Jim Chopin investigate two murders that may stem from bad blood between two neighboring tribes in Alaska before tensions escalate to an all-out war. 276 p.

# BIRTHDAYS FOR THE DEAD

STUART MACBRIDE

A killer snatches girls before their thirteenth birthdays, and then continues to send grisly cards to their families on their subsequent birthdays.

496 p.

# THE CORPSE ON THE COURT

**SIMON BRETT** 

A man dies on the tennis court and it may be connected to the discovery of remains in the nearby lake. 217 p.

# THE DEAD MAN'S WIFE

SOLOMON JONES+

When Philadelphia defense lawyer Andrea Wilson finds herself at a crime scene in which she is covered in blood, her husband is dead and cops are banging on her door, she must flee to give herself time to piece things together and prove her innocence.

291 p.

DEAD ON CUE DERYN LAKE

An eccentric American actor moves into Abbott's Manor. Trouble arises at the local drama society, and when a corpse is found opening night, Reverend Nick Lawrence has a serious problem on his hands. 167 p.

DEAD WATER ANN CLEEVES

Inspectors Willow Reeves and Jimmy Perez team up to discover why a journalist who recently returned to Shetland from London was murdered. What story was he chasing that was big enough to get him killed? 386 p.

# GODS AND BEASTS DENISE MINA+

A week before Christmas a violent robbery in a Glasgow post office yields an old man dead. Questions arise about whether the victim may have known the gunman.

# **MURDER BELOW MONTPARNASSE**

**CARA BLACK+** 

Parisian private investigator Aimée Leduc is asked to protect a potential Modigliani painting.

319 p.

PROOF OF GUILT CHARLES TODD+

In 1920 Scotland Yard's Ian Rutledge is investigating the apparent murder of a man run over by a car. Rutledge must discover who the victim is and why he would have been killed.

343 p.

293 p.

#### THE SOUND OF BROKEN GLASS

**DEBORAH CROMBIE+** 

A murder from the past and the murder of a well-respected barrister in the present both occurred in the Crystal Palace area of London. 359 p.

**THREE GRAVES FULL** 

JAMIE MASON+

Policemen uncover two bodies on Jason Getty's property that he did not bury, but he must stay ahead of them before they find the one he *did* put there. A dark and humorous story with a twist of thrill and suspense. 307 p.

**UNNATURAL HABITS** 

**KERRY GREENWOOD** 

In 1929 Australia Phryne Fisher is investigating blonde girls who have gone missing, along with the disappearance of a female reporter who was covering the story.

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# **FEATURED SELECTIONS**

EIGHTY DAYS MATHHEW GOODMAN

In 1889 journalists Nellie Bly and Elizabeth Bisland raced around the world in opposite directions attempting to break the fictional Phileas Fogg's record.

449 p., ill.

STORM KINGS LEE SANDLIN+

A unique history of tornadoes and storm chasers in America.

**ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN** 

AISHA'S CUSHION JAMAL J. ELIAS

A Penn professor looks at "religious art, perception and practice in Islam."

404 p., ill.

**DAVID B. BROWNLEE** 

266 p., ill.

THE BARNES FOUNDATION

Brownlee compares the Merion galleries to the new facilities on the Parkway and how each building contributes to the overall mission of the Barnes Foundation.

THE BOOK OF BOOKS ED. BY MATHIEU LOMMEN

A visual history of five centuries of Western book design. (Does not circulate by mail)

463 p., ill.

HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE OF PENNSYLVANIA

A survey of Central Pennsylvania architecture.

SCOTT D. BUTCHER 160 p., ill.

GRAND CENTRAL

A chronological history of Grand Central Terminal, including its construction, legal struggles, and later

restoration. 230 p., ill.

A LOVE FOR THE BEAUTIFUL SUSAN JACQUES

Jacques identifies and details a multitude of lesser known art museums. 273 p., ill.

**BIOGRAPHY** 

THE BARONESS HANNAH ROTHSCHILD

A look at free-spirited Nica Rothschild, a member of the prominent banking family who abandoned her husband and life in Europe to support Thelonious Monk and other jazz musicians.

285 p., ill.

GOOD MORNING, BEAUTIFUL BUSINESS JUDY WICKS

A memoir about the evolution of entrepreneur Wicks, founder of the White Dog Café, who focused on creating and supporting compassionate local economies in Philadelphia as well as across the world. 299 p., ill.

# S. WEIR MITCHELL, 1829-1914

#### NANCY CERVETTI

A new look at Philadelphia's controversial literary physician and his experimentations, such as rest cures for hysteria patients and treatments for Civil War amputees.

295 p.,ill.

### **HISTORY & POLITICS**

#### **BETWEEN MAN AND BEAST**

MONTE REEL+

The story of Paul du Chaillu, an explorer who brought back stories and evidence of the mysterious gorilla to Victorian London, and landed in the debate about the evolution of mankind. (The Athenaeum's collections include some of Du Chaillu's works.)

331 p., ill.

**EIGHTY DAYS** 

MATHHEW GOODMAN

A detailed history of Nellie Bly and Elizabeth Bisland as they raced around the world in opposite directions in the year 1889. 449 p., ill.

**FEAR ITSELF** 

IRA KATZNELSON

An examination designed to reconstruct the way we view and understand the New Deal, forcing us to think in new ways about the complexities of American society. 706 p., ill.

# **THE QUEEN'S AGENT**

JOHN COOPER

A look at spymaster Sir Francis Walsingham, who employed a variety of espionage tricks in Elizabethan England to support his queen. 395 p., ill.

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **CONFESSIONS OF LOVE**

ED. BY CRAIG J. N. de PAULO

A collection of essays written by many scholars regarding the nature of love – more specifically, the Greek *eros* versus the Latin *caritas*. **(Gift of Craig J. N. de Paulo)** 245 p.

#### **CONTAGIOUS**

JONAH BERGER

Berger, a Wharton marketing professor, explores why some things in our culture, from consumer products to viral videos, catch on more than others and offers insight into creating a successfully contagious product or idea.

244 p., ill.

### **STORM KINGS**

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A unique history of tornadoes and storm chasers in America.

266 p., ill.

#### **DVDs**

#### **CALL THE MIDWIFE**

A BBC television series based on the memoirs of a midwife working to provide care to some of London's poorest women in the 1950s.

2 discs, 360 mins

#### **TRAVEL**

EYEWITNESS TRAVEL: JAPAN	416 p., ill.
TOP 10 DEVON & CORNWALL (EYEWITNESS TRAVEL)	128 p., ill.
TOP 10 DUBLIN (EYEWITNESS TRAVEL)	144 p., ill
TOP 10 FLORENCE & TUSCANY (EYEWITNESS TRAVEL)	160 p., ill
TOP 10 VENICE (EYEWITNESS TRAVEL)	160 p., ill.

# ATHENAEUM COOKBOOKS

CAKES AND ALE FRANK FURY

A collection of fun and delicious dessert recipes (Gift of the Providence Athenaeum) 40 p.

SESAME AND LILIES FRANK FURY

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THE WILD OLIVE FRANK FURY

A collection of cocktails and elegant nibbles to accompany them. (Gift of the Providence Athenaeum) 32 p.

# **FICTION**

#### ABOVE ALL THINGS TANIS RIDEOUT

One of England's last great explorers, George Mallory, makes the decision to leave his family once again as he launches his third attempt to be the first man to conquer Mount Everest – despite the strain it causes between him and his wife.

385 p.

ALL THAT IS JAMES SALTER+

Following his experience as a Naval officer in WWII, Philip Bowman becomes a book editor in America. He seems to succeed in all affairs but love, until he meets a woman who changes everything.

THE AVIATOR'S WIFE MELANIE BENJAMIN+

A historical novel based on the lives and relationship of Charles Lindbergh and Anne Morrow. 402 p.

# CHILD OF VENGEANCE DAVID KIRK

A fictional look at the celebrated sixteenth century samurai Musashi Miyamoto, author of *The Book of Five Rings. Library Journal* calls this debut novel "educational, engrossing, and just plain fun-to-read." 322 p.

FEVER MARY BETH KEANE+

This story follows the life of Mary Mallon, an Irish immigrant to America whose ambitions take her from lowly domestic servant to successful chef. Her dreams are crushed however when a scientist claims she leaves a path of Typhoid Fever wherever she goes and has her banned from working in kitchens.

306 p.

#### THE JACKAL'S SHARE

#### **CHRIS MORGAN JONES+**

After an antiquities dealer is murdered in Tehran, his friend, wealthy financier and philanthropist Darius Qazai, is the subject of rumors which leave his reputation marred. Qazai hires an intelligence firm to clear his name, but the man assigned to the case finds more questions than answers. 322 p.

LIFE AFTER LIFE KATE ATKINSON+

A novel from the author of Case Histories, set in England in the early to mid-twentieth century, about a girl who continuously dies but always immediately returns to life. 529 p.

# MANUSCRIPT FOUND IN ACCRA

#### **PAULO COELHO+**

In Jerusalem in the early 11<sup>th</sup> century a mysterious wise man named the Copt, along with the townspeople, create a record of their lives before the inevitable invasion of the crusaders. 190 p.

# **NEWS FROM HEAVEN**

#### JENNIFER HAIGH+

New York Times bestselling author Jennifer Haigh returns to the Pennsylvania coal-mining town of Bakerton with a series of short stories about the people who live there.

#### THE OBITUARY WRITER

#### **ANN HOOD+**

Two women from different eras share a connection that changes one of their lives.

#### 292 p.

#### OLEANDER GIRL

#### CHITRA BANERJEE DIVAKARUNI+

As her own marriage approaches, Korobi Roy wishes to find out more about the deaths of the parents she never knew. 287 p.

#### THE PAINTED GIRLS

#### **CATHY MARIE BUCHANAN**

A story of two sisters living in poverty in late 19<sup>th</sup> century France. One is fortunate enough to be trained in the ballet and model for Edgar Degas; the other girl must choose between "honest" work or making a more profitable income. (Gift of Karen LiPuma) 353 p.

#### RAGE AGAINST THE DYING

#### **BECKY MASTERMAN+**

An ex-FBI agent is forced to confront the past when a new confession about one of her worst unsolved cases doesn't quite ring true. 307 p.

SIX YEARS **HARLAN COBEN+** 

Jake finally gets a chance to track down Natalie, the woman who left him for another man six years ago, after discovering her husband has recently died. However, Jake does not find Natalie at the funeral, and the more he seeks the truth, the more his past with Natalie vanishes into thin air. 351 p.

**TOUCH & GO** LISA GARDNER

Tessa Leone is investigating the abduction of a seemingly perfect family from their seemingly perfect home in Boston, from a *New York Times* bestselling author. 423 p.

#### THE TWELVE TRIBES OF HATTIE

#### **AYANA MATHIS**

This debut novel tell the story of Hattie, a girl from Georgia who moves to Philadelphia in 1923 in search of a better life, and her eleven children, who learn the harshness of life early on. (Gift of Karen LiPuma)

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Described as "provocative" and "deeply rewarding." Kuan's poetry reflects on contemporary life. (Gift of the publisher) 79 p.

# A fictional take on the Jazz Age life of Zelda Fitzgerald.

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375 p

#### **DETECTIVES**

#### THE BEGGAR'S OPERA

**PEGGY BLAIR** 

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Two bodies are found in the trunk of a car in the Ireland bogs, one from the 9<sup>th</sup> century and the other a man missing for only a few months. Now archaeologist Cormac Maguire and pathologist Nora Gavin must investigate the connection between the two bodies.

332 p.

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TRISS STEIN

When Erica Donato's daughter finds a skeleton behind a wall of their home in Brooklyn, they begin a search to find out what happened. As they uncover more of the truth, they realize some people want to keep this story buried.

261 p.

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M. C. BEATON+

Sergeant Hamish Macbeth investigates the murder of art student Morag Merrilea, who came to him a few days earlier claiming she'd been drugged. With the young woman now found dead, Hamish Macbeth has quite the case on his hands.

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DONNA LEON+

Commissario Guido Brunetti is asked to investigate the death of a mentally disabled man who, it turns out has no identification records, and Brunetti discovers an aristocratic family may be involved with his death. 276 p.

#### LEAVING EVERYTHING MOST LOVED

**JACQULINE WINSPEAR+** 

In London, 1933, Maisie Dobbs investigates the connected murders of two Indian women.

339 p.

#### THE MISSING FILE

D. A. MISHANI+

As a police detective in the quiet suburb of Tel Aviv, Avraham Avraham had never before struggled with investigations. That changes when a sixteen-year-old boy goes missing without a trace.

#### **PAGING THE DEAD**

**BRYNN BONNER** 

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290 p.

#### **ROOM NO. 10**

**ÅKE EDWARDSON** 

Chief Inspector Erik Winter of Gothenburg is investigating the recent hanging of a woman in a hotel room and its possible connections with the disappearance of a woman known to have stayed in the very same room years ago.

447 p.

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Sebastian St. Cyr investigates the death of a gem dealer for the sake of his former lover whose husband is suspected of murder.

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WILLIAM K. KLINGAMAN AND NICHOLAS P. KLINGAMAN

A look at how a volcanic eruption in Indonesia in 1815, the largest in recorded history, caused global climate disruptions and affected everything from politics to the arts.

338 p.

# **ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN**

#### **CABINETS OF WONDER**

**CHRISTINE DAVENNE** 

A look at cabinets of wonder (or curiosities), which began in the Renaissance as collections of diverse materials, both natural and manmade. Some of these "cabinets" were pieces of furniture, while others were room-sized. Such collections have regained popularity in recent years in interior design. (Does not circulate by mail)

#### THE GREAT AMERICAN HOUSE

**GIL SCHAFER III** 

Architect Gil Schafer looks at making traditional home architecture work for modern living. (Gift of Headhouse Books)

254 p., ill.

#### NINETEENTH-CENTURY PHOTOGRAPHS AND ARCHITECTURE

**ED. BY MICHELINE NILSEN** 

An examination of the beginnings of architectural photography and its documentary and aesthetic values. 272 p., ill.

#### PRAGUE, CAPITAL OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

**DEREK SAYER** 

A look at the artistic history of Prague between the wars, from modernistic architecture to surrealism. 595 p., ill.

#### **WILLIAM BURGES AND THE HIGH VICTORIAN DREAM**

J. MORDAUNT CROOK

A look at Pre-Raphaelite architect William Burges, whose buildings, furniture, and stained glass reflected the Victorian interpretation of Medieval Europe. This is a newly published revised edition.

(Does not circulate by mail)

432 p., ill.

#### **BIOGRAPHY**

### THE ASTOR ORPHAN

ALEXANDRA ALDRICH

In her memoir, Astor descendant Alexandra Aldrich writes of her childhood growing up in an ancestral mansion, but with very little money. She had to contend with an emotionally distant mother, a carefree father in the midst of a long term affair, and a beloved grandmother spiraling into alcoholism.

259 p., ill.

#### DINNER WITH CHURCHILL

**CITA STELZER** 

The experience of dining with Prime Minister Winston Churchill, including food, drinks, cigars, guests and conversations.

332 p., ill.

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Maya Angelou's story of her relationship with her mother, who sent Maya and her brother to live with their grandmother while still very young and reconciled ten years later during Maya's adolescence. 201 p., ill.

#### TRAVEL

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**MEL WHITE** 

In addition to the usual touristy national parks, National Geographic gives the reader an inside look into those natural wonders hidden from many Americans.

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# **HISTORY & POLITICS**

### **ALGERIAN CHRONICLES**

**ALBERT CAMUS** 

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224 p.

BUNKER HILL NATHANIEL PHILBRICK

National Book Award winner Philbrick 's account of the events surrounding the Battle at Bunker Hill in 1775.

#### A GREAT AND MONSTROUS THING

**JERRY WHITE** 

A study of many varying aspects of London in the eighteenth century, a city that had extremes of wealth and poverty.

682 p., ill.

#### **MASTERS OF COMMAND**

**BARRY STRAUSS** 

A look at Alexander, Hannibal and Caesar, who may be considered the greatest generals of the ancient world.

289 p., ill.

OUT OF ORDER SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR

O'Connor gives a behind-the scenes look at the history and inner workings of the Supreme Court. (Anonymous Gift)

233 p., ill.

PARIS REBORN STEPHANE KIRKLAND

Kirkland describes the transformation of Paris from a medieval city to one of modern streets and buildings made possible by the vision of Napoléon III and his civil servant Georges-Eugène Haussmann in the remarkably short period from 1848 until 1870.

# THOSE ANGRY DAYS

LYNNE OLSON

A look at American politics between 1939-1941, when the country was conflicted about joining World War II. The author of *Citizens of London* puts her focus here on President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who wished to come to the aid of Europe, and Charles Lindbergh, one of the most prominent men to come out against intervention.

548 p., ill

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#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

GULP MARY ROACH

A science writer with a sense of humor and a willingness to tackle uncomfortable subjects brings us a work of "adventures on the alimentary canal." 348 p., ill.

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A military doctor in Afghanistan, Dr. Mike Scanlon is called back home when his wife dies in an accident and Mike is faced with being a single parent to his newborn daughter.

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When an Egyptian Jewish Harvard student meets a brash Arab cab driver on the streets of Cambridge in 1977 everything changes and he must decide whether to choose the life of assimilation he thought he wanted, or to leave it all behind.

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When the U.S. Government calls on Will Robie to hunt down Jessica Reel, a fellow assassin who is equally as dangerous as himself, he agrees, but soon realizes that there may be a reason for Reel's betrayal. 392 p.

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LILY TUCK

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387 p.

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284 p.

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164 p.

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After the death of her best friend, a woman moves into a house with three other women and together the four of them embark on an emotional journey in this latest from *New York Times* bestselling author Berg. 219 p.

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As Sandra Ferrante is being taken to the hospital, she whispers a mysterious message to her neighbor. When Sandra's daughter arrives at her mother's home, she notices unexplainable objects that make her turn to the neighbor to help her uncover what is going on in this novel of suspense.

293 p.

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A young girl seeking her mother's approval and a widow longing for a daughter given up years ago bond through their mutual love of food.

317 p.

#### **DETECTIVES**

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ROBERT GALBRAITH

A supermodel's fall is deemed a suicide, but her brother is unconvinced and hires private investigator Cormoran Strike to investigate in this debut novel by a former member of the Royal Military Police. 455 p.

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Officer David Lindholm is found shot in bed and his wife claims a woman entered their house, killed him, and took their son. All evidence point to her, but reporter Annika Bengtzon is determined to prove nothing is as it seems in this Swedish thriller.

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The wife of a wealthy banker in Victorian London has apparently committed suicide, but when Thomas Pitt becomes involved in the investigation the facts just don't add up.

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In 17<sup>th</sup> century England, chambermaid Lucy Campion is compelled to find the murderer of a fellow servant and determined to end the suspicion growing around a dear friend.

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**LEA WAIT** 

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236 p.

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A suspicious car crash may be tied to other unsolved cases in this Swedish mystery from the author of *Ice Princess*.

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417 p., ill.

# ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

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QUIET BEAUTY KENDALL H. BROWN

An exploration of 26 public Japanese-style gardens located throughout North America, along with over 180 photographs. 176 p., ill.

WHAT ART IS ARTHUR C. DANTO

In order to answer the famous question "What is art?" Danto looks at everything from Plato's definition of art to the works of Andy Warhol.

174 p.

# **BIOGRAPHY**

THE COOKED SEED ANCHEE MIN+

Author Min, known for her earlier memoir *Red Azalea* as well as her fiction, tells her immigration story. Moving from China to the United States, she went from Communism to a land of opportunity. However, she struggled with the language barrier, holding down multiple jobs simultaneously, the threat of an expiring visa, and raising a child on her own before reaching eventual success.

361 p

# I INVENTED THE MODERN AGE

**RICHARD SHOW** 

Historian Richard Show recounts the life of Henry Ford from his first gasoline engine to his invention of the Model T and the impact it had in revolutionizing America. 364 p., ill.

# **TRAVEL**

# THE LAST TRAIN TO ZONA VERDE

**PAUL THEROUX** 

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THE FEUD DEAN KING

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THEIVES OF BOOK ROW

TRAVIS McDADE

Rare book curator McDade tells the true story of a Depression Era book-theft ring that supplied dealers along Manhattan's Book Row with valuable stolen items, and the investigator who pursued them after a theft from the rare book room at the New York Public Library.

216 p., ill.

THE THIRD COAST THOMAS DYJA

Thomas Dyja aims to tell the story of Chicago in its postwar glory, as the most innovative and influential city in America. A precursor to the domination of New York and Los Angeles, Chicago influenced music, literature, architecture, science and more.

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COOKED MICHAEL POLLAN

Food writer Pollan explores his own kitchen and finds how we transform food using the elements of fire, water, air and earth.

468 p.

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# NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC POCKET GUIDE TO THE BIRDS OF NORTH AMERICA LAURA ERICKSON AND JONATHAN ALDERFER

This guide provides photographs, illustrations and information about the top birds in the skies of North America.

190 p., ill.

MAD SCIENCE ED, BY RANDY ALFRED

From *Wired* magazine's blog, *This Day in Tech*, 365 stories, one for each day of the year, of incredible feats and breakthroughs in technology.

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266 p

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A Pulitzer Prize-winning novel about a North Korean kidnapper who becomes a rival to Kim Jong II to save the woman he loves.

443 p.

PARIS EDWARD RUTHERFORD

A novel following four families of different backgrounds throughout French history, including the French Revolution, La Belle Époque, the two World Wars, and up to the student revolts in the 1960s.

**QUESTIONS OF TRAVEL** 

MICHELLE DE KRETSER

Characters from different parts of the world are influenced by, and connect through, travel. 461 p.

THE REDEEMER JO NESBØ

Harry Hole, of the Oslo Police Department, must chase down the killer of a Salvation Army Christmas caroler with very few clues.

397 p.

# **DETECTIVES**

### THE BAKER STREET TRANSLATION

MICHAEL ROBERTSON

Two brothers who have leased Sherlock Holmes' former apartment at 221B Baker Street are pulled into solving the cases still being mailed to the address, one of which involves a possible threat to the guests of an upcoming royal event if not solved in time.

278 p.

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ALEX GRECIAN +

Set in the British Midlands as the sequel to *The Yard*, the Murder Squad begins an investigation into the disappearance of a prominent family from a coal-mining village – an investigation they may never see to the end.

384 p.

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**KATHERINE HALL PAGE +** 

Faith and Tom Fairchild have a relaxing trip to Italy planned, but upon arrival they discover a stabbing victim in the Piazza Farnese. Of course, Faith will not be able to resist investigating.

# **EVERY CONTACT LEAVES A TRACE**

**ELANOR DYMOTT+** 

When Alex's wife Rachel is murdered at Oxford University, Alex returns to investigate her death and what he finds is a web of sex, jealousy and blackmail.

#### **HELSINKI BLOOD**

**JAMES THOMPSON** 

Inspector Kari Vaara delves into human trafficking in Finland.

306 p.

### **MURDER AS A FINE ART**

DAVID MORRELL+

A British novelist, Thomas De Quincey, becomes the suspect in a series of mass murders as his daughter and two Scotland Yard Detectives attempt to uncover the truth.

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**KERRY GREENWOOD** 

Dramatic events ensue in Eighteenth Dynasty Egypt under a Pharaoh who appears to be mad and a royal court full of intrigue.

464 p.

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**ACE ATKINS+** 

An old boxing trainer who is a friend of Spenser requests an investigation into a bullying developer in Boston, which leads Spenser into a web of politics and greed.

306 p.

SILENT VOICES ANN CLEEVES

Detective Vera Stanhope finds a body in a gym sauna and proceeds to investigate. This mystery series is the basis for the PBS series *Vera*. 314 p.

# THE SQUARE OF REVENGE

PIETER ASPE +

Inspector Van In must find who broke into a Bruges jewelry store, not for theft, but to destroy the merchandise, leaving behind a curious symbol as a clue. The first volume of this popular series to be translated into English.

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#### FEATURED SELECTIONS

#### THE GIRL WHO LOVED CAMELLIAS

JULIE KAVANAGH

A biography of the fascinating but short life of courtesan Marie Duplessis, who captivated nineteenth-century Parisian society and inspired the opera *La Traviata*, as well as other artistic works.

# **ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN**

#### **AMERICAN HOME LANDSCAPES**

DENISE WILES ADAMS AND LAURA L.S. BURCHFIELD

A guide to creating residential landscape designs from different historical periods. Whether you are looking to plant a Colonial garden, or find plants to highlight your home's Victorian architecture, you will find case studies, plant lists, and ideas to get you started.

303 p., ill.

#### **DORIS DUKE'S SHANGRI LA: A HOUSE IN PARADISE**

ED. BY THOMAS MELLINS AND DONALD ALBRECHT

A richly illustrated look at Doris Duke's Hawaii estate, Shangri La, concentrating on the Islamic art and design that she loved. (Does not circulate by mail)

216 p., ill.

#### THE GREATEST GRID

**ED. BY HILARY BALLON** 

Details the design, implementation, and evolution of the New York City grid structure that was planned in 1811. 226 p., ill.

#### THE LOST CARVING

DAVID ESTERLY

A memoir that shows the importance of creativity and physical work through the author's time spent recreating a wood carving that had been lost to fire at Hampton Court 279 p., ill.

#### **LOST SAN FRANCISCO**

DENNIS EVANOSKY AND ERIC J. KOS

A look at San Francisco buildings and other landmarks that have succumbed to natural or man-made destruction over the city's history.

142 p., ill.

## LOCAL INTEREST

# **BYBERRY STATE HOSPITAL** (Images of America Series)

HANNAH KARENA JONES

A look at the history of "Byberry", a mental hospital on the outskirts of Philadelphia that was opened in 1906 and flourished well into the 1960s, before declining and eventually being abandoned for sixteen years, and finally demolished in 2006.

127 p., ill.

#### **ED BACON**

**GREGORY L. HELLER** 

The story of architect and city planner Edmund Bacon and his influence on the redesign and construction of Philadelphia buildings and neighborhoods, including Society Hill and Market East. 306 p., ill.

#### THE PHILADELPHIA STATE HOSPITAL AT BYBERRY

J.P. WEBSTER

Webster writes about the villains and heroes in the history of Philadelphia's notorious Byberry mental hospital up until the last patients were released in 1990.

## **BIOGRAPHY**

COUNTRY GIRL EDNA O'BRIEN

Irish author O'Brien's memoir of an eventful life: elopement, divorce, London in the 1960s, and glamorous trips to America.

357 p., ill.

#### THE GIRL WHO LOVED CAMELLIAS

JULIE KAVANAGH

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#### **SAUL BELLOW'S HEART**

**GREG BELLOW** 

An account of the life of Nobel Prize-winning author Saul Bellow by his son Greg.

228 p., ill.

## **HISTORY & POLITICS**

BLOOD SISTERS SARAH GRISTWOOD

Gristwood details the lives of seven powerful women who influenced the outcome of the War of the Roses.

390 p., ill.

#### A DISEASE IN THE PUBLIC MIND

THOMAS FLEMING

Fleming details the relationships between Northerners and Southerners prior to the American Civil War while exploring the distortions of reality in the minds of the public.

354 p., ill.

#### **GEORGETTE HEYER'S REGENCY WORLD**

JENNIFER KLOESTER

Georgette Heyer's official biographer gives us a look at the fashions, foods, customs, and intrigues of Regency England, which was the setting for the novels of Heyer, as well as Jane Austen.

381 p., ill.

#### **JULY 1914: COUNTDOWN TO WAR**

**SEAN McMEEKIN** 

McMeekin looks at the pivotal month of July, 1914 after the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand on June 28<sup>th</sup> in Sarajevo. In this fresh look he shifts the blame for the beginning of War World I to a group of statesmen, with those from Russia and France being as much or more at fault than those from Germany and Austria-Hungary.

461 p., ill.

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**PETE BROWN** 

Beer writer Pete Brown reviews six centuries of London's history through the George Inn, situated just by London Bridge, and the famous and infamous folks who have visited the pub.

352 p., ill.

#### THE SOCIETY FOR USEFUL KNOWLEDGE

**JONATHAN LYONS** 

Lyons offers a new perspective to the American Enlightment spurred by Benjamin Franklin and contemporaries who sought to promote "useful knowledge." 220 p.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

## THE LAST LOST WORLD

#### LYDIA V. PYNE AND STEPHEN J. PYNE

This father-daughter duo brings an intriguing study of the Pleistocene (the epoch we know as the Ice Age) and the mammoths and Neanderthals that inhabited it. They also go a step further, examining the early nineteenth century, when we first began understanding this history and developing scientific explanations apart from religious ones.

306 p., ill.

## THE MEASURE OF MANHATTAN

#### **MARGUERITE HOLLOWAY**

The biography of now nearly forgotten engineer John Randel, Jr., and his legacy: the surveying and gridding of the hilly island that is now Manhattan.

372 p., ill

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#### **SIMON TOFIELD**

Internet sensation Simon's Cat is featured in this charming comic. Hijinks ensue when a new kitten is introduced into the household and Simon's Cat shows him the ropes. A gem for anyone who has shared their home with a cat.

240 p., ill.

## **FICTION**

# THE 9TH GIRL TAMI HOAG+

A serial killer, known as Doc Holiday, chooses his victims randomly and then leaves their bodies to be found, always on a holiday.

405 p.

# THE ANDALUCIAN FRIEND

# **ALEXANDER SÖDERBERG**

Sophie, a widowed single mother, is caught in the middle of a feud between two international crime families when her new boyfriend happens to be the head of one of them.

446 p.

## THE ASYLUM JOHN HARWOOD

Georgina Ferrars finds herself in a private asylum in remote England with no memory of the past weeks, and no recollection as to why she voluntarily admitted herself. Is she even who she thinks she is?

257 p.

#### BAD MONKEY CARL HIAASEN

Andrew Yancy of the Monroe County Sheriff's office has a human arm in his freezer; and is trying to prove its late owner was murdered, rather than the victim of a shark attack. However, this being Hiaasen's Florida, he encounters a voodoo witch, a wanted fugitive, and, yes, a bad monkey, along the way.

317 p.

#### THE CENTER OF THE WORLD

#### THOMAS VAN ESSEN

This novel flashes back and forth between 19th century English painter J.M.W. Turner and present day New Yorker Henry Leiden, who leads a mundane existence until finding a Turner painting which was thought to have been destroyed.

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## THE FIRE WITNESS LARS KEPLER+

Detective Joona Linna must solve a horrific murder in a home for wayward girls. He gains insight into the case from a medium who suffers visions of the murder. A best-seller in Sweden.

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## THE HANGING GARDEN

#### PATRICK WHITE

Nobel Prize-winning author White transports the reader to Sydney, Australia during the 1940s. Two European children are sheltered from the war in the house of an old, careless widow, where they forge a powerful friendship.

225 p.

#### THE HEIST

#### JANET EVANOVICH AND LEE GOLDBERG

FBI Special Agent Kate O'Hare is on a mission in Indonesia to find a corrupt investment banker with the help of infamous conman Nicolas Fox.

#### THE KING'S DECEPTION

#### STEVE BERRY+

Cotton Malone and his son, Gary, are caught in the middle of operation King's Deception--an attempt to illegitimize the last Tudor Monarch and remove the English from Northern Ireland.

409 p.

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The third volume in the *Old Filth* trilogy, *Last Friends* recounts the life of Terrence Veneering, the hated rival of Filth, and emphasizes the misfortunes of old age and meaning of true friendship. 205 p.

#### THE LAST TELEGRAM

#### **LIZ TRENOW**

Lily Verner has tried to forget a monumental mistake that she made during the 1940s and must now face the decision that has haunted her throughout the years.

405 p.

#### LITTLE WOMEN: AN ANNOTATED EDITION

#### LOUISA MAY ALCOTT, ED. BY DANIEL SHEALY

Shealy took a favorite classic and added commentary on biographical, social and historical contexts and terms unfamiliar to modern readers.

614 p., ill.

#### **LOST**

#### S.J BOLTON

Young boys are being abducted and murdered in London, and Detective Lacey Flint and her eleven-year old neighbor Barney are caught up in the hunt to end the brutal killings.(From the author of *Now You See Me* and *Dead Scared*)

391 p

## **RED SPARROW**

## **JASON MATTHEWS**

Dominika Egorova is ordered to become a "sparrow", a trained seductress of sexpionage, for the Russian government. However, her first target stirs feelings in her that are more than patriotic. Author is a former CIA officer.

## **REVENGE WEARS PRADA: THE DEVIL RETURNS**

#### **LAUREN WEISBERGER**

In this sequel to *The Devil Wears Prada*, Andy believes she finally has control over her personal life and career as cofounder of a newly popular bridal magazine, but the devil might cross her path again. 385 p.

#### THE SILVER STAR

#### JEANNETTE WALLS+

Two young sisters from a small town in California during the 1970s are left by their mother to fend for themselves when she takes off on her own. They manage to make their way to an uncle in Virginia and must then find their place within a new town and school.

269 p.

SISTERLAND CURTIS SITTENFELD+

Twin sisters share psychic powers, with Vi accepting her gift and making a career with it and Kate ignoring her powers. After an earthquake hits their town and Vi publicly predicts another, Kate is torn between embarrassment at the publicity and facing the reality that she may be correct.

400 p.

TRANSATLANTIC COLUM McCANN

The personal stories of four women caught up in the swells of three moments of history that involve transatlantic voyages from North America to Ireland. In Newfoundland of 1919, two aviators attempt a daring flight across the Atlantic Ocean. In Dublin, 1845, Frederick Douglass is on tour for his autobiography; and 1998 finds U.S. Senator George Mitchell shepherding North Ireland's volatile peace talks. By the author of the award-winning novel *Let the Great World Spin*.

#### **TRAINS AND LOVERS**

**ALEXANDER McCALL SMITH** 

Four strangers, traveling by train from Edinburgh to London, share their tales of trains that changed their lives and brought them love.

239 p.

## **THE WOMAN UPSTAIRS**

**CLAIRE MESSUD+** 

Nora Eldridge, an elementary school teacher, is unhappy with her life and the dreams she never got to fulfill. Suddenly she finds herself enchanted by one of her students and his family, and is drawn into their orbit. However, trying to become someone new does not come without consequences. By the author of *The Emperor's Children*.

## **DETECTIVES**

BAKSHEESH ESMAHAN AYKOL

Kati Hirschel quickly becomes the prime suspect when a man is found murdered in the large Istanbul apartment she was offered at a cheap price.

253 p.

THE CRYPT THIEF MARK PRYOR

Hugo Marston, head of security at the American embassy in Paris, assists the French authorities when two tourists are murdered in Père Lachaise cemetery. Now it seems the killer has set his sights on the long-dead, stealing the bones of once-famous dancers.

255 p.

#### THE DEAD SHALL NOT REST

**TESSA HARRIS** 

In 1780s London, grave robbers steal the remains of the recently deceased to be sold for medical research. Dr. Thomas Silkstone does not condone the trade, but a rival surgeon has no such scruples. Is he waiting for his potential subjects to pass away, or taking matters into his own hands?

338 p.

## **DEAD, WHITE AND BLUE**

**CAROLYN HART+** 

Mystery book store owner Annie Darling and her husband Max find themselves investigating the disappearances of two residents from their South Carolina island.

279 p.

#### **DEATH OF A CHEF**

ALEXANDER CAMPION+

Commissaire Capucine Le Tellier looks into the death of popular chef Jean-Louis Brault. Is it suicide in the wake of a bad review, or was murder on the menu?

311 p.

#### THE DROWNED MAN

DAVID WHELLAMS

Chief Inspector Peter Cammon is sent to Canada on what should be an easy assignment of retrieving a murdered Scotland Yard employee. However, puzzling aspects of the case cause Peter to do some investigating.

428 p.

GOOD PEOPLE EWART HUTTON

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Danish Detective Konrad Simonsen and his squad must rush to find the killer of five men with secrets in their pasts, especially when the safety of his own daughter might be at stake.

298 p.

THE IDES OF APRIL LINDSEY DAVIS

Rome, AD 89: Flavia Albia, the adopted daughter of Marcus Didius Falco and a private investigator herself, is surprised by the death of one of her clients. Others have died in similar fashion and she must unravel the mystery or risk meeting the same fate.

341 p.

#### **MURDER IN CHELSEA**

VICTORIA THOMPSON

Midwife Sarah Brandt thought Catherine, an abandoned child she has grown to love and adopt as her own, would be taken away from her. However, the woman who came to claim her is murdered and Sarah works with Detective Sergeant Frank Malloy to find the killer in nineteenth-century New York.

NIGHTRISE JIM KELLY

Philip Dryden is dumbfounded to hear of his father's death, because he received the same news thirty-five years ago. Journalist Dryden must find the link between this new news and two seemingly unrelated deaths by investigating his father's past.

244 p.

RATLINES STUART NEVILLE

Foreign murder victims in 1963 Dublin turn out to be former Nazis. When the government wishes to stop the killings, yet at the same time keep quiet the fact that the men had been given asylum, Lieutenant Albert Ryan is put in the awkward position of protecting men he fought against twenty years prior.

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#### TEN TREES AND A TRUFFLE DOG

JAMIE IVEY

After buying a property in Provence filled with truffle oak trees, a young couple must find the perfect dog to help discover the valuable truffles hidden on their property.

285 p.

# **ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN**

#### CITY WATER, CITY LIFE

CARL SMITH

Smith examines how emerging urban communities in Philadelphia, Boston and Chicago incorporated water systems into their infrastructure from the 1790s to the mid-nineteenth century.

327 p., ill.

#### **DOMESTIC INTERIORS**

**ED. BY GEORGINA DOWNEY** 

A room by room look at how living spaces have been represented from the Victorian Era to the modern.172 p., ill.

#### **GREAT HOUSES OF NEW YORK:1880-1940, Volume II**

MICHAEL C. KATHRENS

Kathrens continues to showcase the most elegant houses of the rich in New York City (Does not circulate by mail).

300 p., ill.

#### JOHN NASH ARCHITECT OF THE PICTURESQUE

**ED. BY GEOFFREY TYACK** 

A look at the creative architectural designs of John Nash, including one of his most famous designs, Buckingham Palace.

198 p., ill.

#### PRE-RAPHAELITES: VICTORIAN ART AND DESIGN

TIM BARRINGER, JASON ROSENFELD AND ALISON SMITH

A look at the innovative artists of the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood, including Dante Gabriel Rossetti, John Everett Millais, and others. Also considered is the influence the group had on William Morris and the Arts and Crafts movement. (Does not circulate by mail)

256 p., ill.

## **BIOGRAPHY**

#### KNIGHT OF PHILADELPHIA

SERENA SHANKEN SKWERSKY

A biography of Albert Monroe Greenfield, Philadelphia real estate mogul and philanthropist. (**Gift of the author**) 250 p., ill.

#### THE MILLIONAIRE AND THE MUMMIES

JOHN M. ADAMS

A look at the life of Theodore Davis, a Gilded Age millionaire who rose to fame through his career of excavations in Egypt. He sponsored some of the most successful excavations in the Valley of the Kings and donated antiquities to museums, but is largely forgotten today for having fallen short of discovering King Tutankhamen's tomb.

363 p., ill.

ROSE KENNEDY BARBARA A. PERRY+

Perry writes a fascinating biography of one of the most important Kennedy family members, Rose Kennedy, the matriarch who strived to make sure her children would be successful.

404 p., ill.

#### THE SPY WHO LOVED

**CLARE MULLEY** 

An extraordinary biography of Polish beauty Christine Granville, who fled to Britain at the outbreak of World War II and would go on to be a key contributor for the allies in Europe as a daring special agent. 426 p., ill.

## **TRAVEL**

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Caputo travels across the United States from Key West, Florida to Deadhorse, Alaska, to find the things that unite, and divide, the citizens of this country.

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A guidebook to quiet places scattered throughout Paris where visitors can escape from the busy city. 142 p., ill.

## **HISTORY & POLITICS**

THE BORGIAS G.J. MEYER

Meyer tries to separate truth from the legends surrounding the members of the infamous Borgia family that rose to great power during the Italian Renaissance.

478 p., ill.

#### **CAPITAL OF THE WORLD**

**CHARLENE MIRES** 

Two hundred cities throughout the United States, including Philadelphia, fought to become the headquarter site for the United Nations after the end of World War II.

319 p., ill.

CITY OF AMBITION MASON B. WILLIAMS

Williams argues the role of Franklin Roosevelt and the New Deal in the making of modern New York City, and the importance of his collaboration with Fiorello LaGuardia.

#### THE INVENTION OF MURDER

JUDITH FLANDERS

Although murder was not common in Victorian Britain, the infamous cases of the day, including Jack the Ripper, were fodder for the press and popular entertainment forms of the day, and gave rise to detective fiction, a genre which is still popular today.

556 p., ill.

## **THE TWELVE CAESARS**

**MATTHEW DENNISON** 

Dennison takes a look at the lives, vices, successes, and failures of the twelve Caesars who ruled Rome from 49 B.C to A.D 96.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **AMERICA THE PHILOSOPHICAL**

**CARLIN ROMANO** 

Romano, a philosophy professor, argues that America is the most philosophical culture in the world.

672 p., ill.

#### DO YOU BELIEVE IN MAGIC?

PAUL A. OFFIT, M.D.+

Dr. Offit reveals the dangers of some forms of alternative medicine that have become increasingly popular in the United States.

322 p.

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## **AUDIOBOOKS**

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#### THE ABOMINATION

JONATHAN HOLT+

After the body of a woman wearing robes of a Catholic priest is found in Venice, Captain Kat Tapo must uncover the truth and close the case with the help of a website that contains the city's secrets.

435 p.

#### THE ACCOUNTING

**WILLIAM LASHNER** 

Jon's life is already crumbling when an incident in his past rears its ugly head and he must choose between salvaging his life in the suburbs or making a run for it.

415 p.

#### **ASTOR PLACE VINTAGE**

STEPHANIE LEHMANN

Business owner Amanda Rosenbloom finds a journal belonging to Olive, a young woman who moved to Manhattan during the early 1900s seeking a career at a time when attitudes about women's work were just beginning to change. While reading the journal Amanda finds herself connected to Olive. 396 p.

#### **DEAD LIONS**

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Ex-spies try to redeem themselves and their careers by solving the murder of an old cold-war spy in Oxford.

## THE ENGLISH GIRL

**DANIEL SILVA** 

Gabriel Allon, a master spy, is hired by British Prime Minister Jonathan Lancaster to find the captors of his mistress and bring her back to safety without the media knowing.

482 p.

#### **FIN & LADY**

**CATHLEEN SCHINE** 

Schine explores the bond between a brother and sister who have been separated for six years. When they are orphaned, Fin is left in the care of his older sister Lady who lives in 1960s Greenwich Village.

#### THE FOREVER NOTES

ETHEL RACKIN

A collection of poems in sections titled "Notes", "Pictures", and "Songs" by a local poet.

67 p.

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TRACY GUZEMAN+

Before Thomas Bayber, a renowned artist, sells one of his earlier works he is desperate to find sisters Alice and Natalie Kessler, who are depicted in the painting but have vanished from his life.

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**ALAFAIR BURKE** 

Journalist McKenna Jordan finds a video snippet of a heroic deed that leads her to believe the good Samaritan shown is a woman who vanished ten years earlier. 369 p.

## THE LIFE LIST

LORI NELSON SPIELMAN

Brett Bohlinger's life changes when her mother's will stipulates that she must fulfill a list of childhood dreams Brett had written long ago in order to receive her inheritance. 354 p.

## THE LIGHT IN THE RUINS

**CHRIS BOHJALIAN** 

In 1955 members of the Rosati family are being gruesomely killed one by one in Florence, Italy. Investigator Serafina Bettini must uncover the family's history and delve into her own past in order to end the murders.

309 p.

#### **MEMORIES OF A MARRIAGE**

**LOUIS BEGLEY** 

Philip sets out on a journey to find the truth behind his friends' marriage and who was responsible for their bitter divorce.

188 p.

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**HENNING MANKELL** 

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IVY POCHOD

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ANTON DISCLAFANI

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#### **BROTHERS EMANUEL**

## **EZEKIEL J. EMANUEL**

A look at a family of high achievers. Rahm is the mayor of Chicago, Ari is a Hollywood agent, and the author is an oncologist and bioethicist.

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A look at the important role of General Jean-Baptiste-Donatien de Vimeur, Comte de Rochambeau, in the American Revolution. 381 p., ill.

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# 1808 THE FLIGHT OF THE EMPEROR

# **LAURENTINO GOMES**

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THOMAS J. MICKEY

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