



# The Baltimore Bibliophiles

A Literary Miscellany January 17 , 2023

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## **Updated Calendar of Events for 2023**

**Please note:** Per request of one of our members, descriptions of newly updated calendar events are highlighted in **bold**.

**Josh Mann of B & B Rare Books, Ltd.**

On book provenance and association copies.

Wednesday, January 18, 2023. 7:00 pm. **ZOOM**

**Mark Samiuels Lasner.**

On his collecting of Beardsley material as well as the exhibition, *Aubrey Beardsley, 150 Years Young* at the Grolier Club.

Tuesday, February 21, 2023. 7:00 pm. **ZOOM**

**Arnie Sanders, professor emeritus, Goucher College**

***Measuring Worth: Surveying Goucher's Rare Book Collection.***

Wednesday, March 22, 2023. 7:00 pm. **ZOOM**

**April Oettinger, Professor of Art History at Goucher College**

*April will discuss a new project based at Goucher:, Book Arts Baltimore: Connecting People and Institutions Through Books*

Wednesday, April 19, 2023. 7:00 pm. **ZOOM**

**Rebecca Romney , Rare Book Specialist**

Her views on the next generation(s) of book collectors and special collections librarians and archivists.

July, 2023. Time and date TBD.

**Wine & Cheese at Kelmscott Bookshop!**

To celebrate the second anniversary of Kelmscott at their new location at Savage Mill.

The Kelmscott Bookshop, 8600 Foundry Street Suite G-7, Savage, MD 20763

Limited to 20 members. RSVP to Binnie required.

Saturday, August 2023. Exact date and time TBD. Including "Show & Tell."

**Spencer W. Stuart**

***How has the antiquarian book trade changed - and is changing - from the inside out and the outside in?*** Are there changes in the way people - collectors and the Public - view the book trade? Have "virtual" book fairs and auctions become an effective or ineffective substitute for face to face interactions such as occurred pre-pandemic? Spencer Stewart explores these topics

and more within the framework of his recently published book, *Contemporary Issues in Rare Book & Manuscript Collecting*.

**September, 2023. Time and date TBD. ZOOM**

**Chris Needham**

On book theft.

October, 2023. Exact Date TBD. 7:00 pm. **ZOOM.**

**Annual Meeting.** Election of Officers. Dinner. In person.

Jackie Coleburn and Anthony Mullan (both from Library of Congress) on Peter Parley aka Samuel Goodrich.

November, 2023 Time, date and location TBD. In person.

### **Spotlight on our members:**

**Winston Tabb** collects Willa Cather, books from the Japanese Meiji period; and first editions of women mystery writers (US and UK).

### *News and Notes from Here and There....*

**Kelmscott Bookshop:** We are having a 30% off sale on books priced at \$125 or less in these categories:

**German Language**

**German History**

**Religion**

You can browse everything on sale on our [Sale Page](#).

\*This sale excludes items sold on consignment, private press, artists' books and new arrivals.\*

Thank you for taking the time to browse! We are featuring a few of our favorites below:

[https://bit.ly/Kelmscott\\_Jan\\_Sale](https://bit.ly/Kelmscott_Jan_Sale)

**BBC News:** “*Sir Walter Scott's Rob Roy manuscript to go on show.*”

<https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-scotland-64153863>

**ATI/All That Is Interesting:** “*Inside the True Story of Rob Roy MacGregor, the Legendary ‘Scottish Robin Hood.’*” By Austin Harvey. Checked by Jaclyn Anglis.

<https://allthatsinteresting.com/rob-roy-macgregor>

**North Somerset Times:** “*Sir Walter Scott’s Rob Roy manuscript going on show at National Library.*” By PA News Agency.

<https://www.northsomersettimes.co.uk/news/national/23224967.sir-walter-scotts-rob-roy-manuscript-going-show-national-library/>

**Sotheby's: Fine Manuscript and Printed Americana** [auction]

[https://www.sothebys.com/en/buy/auction/2023/fine-manuscript-and-printed-america?cmp=email\\_Daily\\_Marketing\\_Email\\_verB\\_OpenToBrowse\\_N11239\\_Fine\\_Manuscript\\_and\\_Printed\\_Americana\\_04-Jan-23&utm\\_campaign=MARDailyEmailLIVE&utm\\_content=email\\_v49&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=zaius](https://www.sothebys.com/en/buy/auction/2023/fine-manuscript-and-printed-america?cmp=email_Daily_Marketing_Email_verB_OpenToBrowse_N11239_Fine_Manuscript_and_Printed_Americana_04-Jan-23&utm_campaign=MARDailyEmailLIVE&utm_content=email_v49&utm_medium=email&utm_source=zaius)

**Aubrey Beardsley, 150 Years Young.** By Margaret Stetz. [University of Chicago Press, 2022. (Distribute for the Grolier Club)] *Aubrey Beardsley, 150 Years Young* charts the meteoric rise of Aubrey Beardsley (1872–1898), a monumental figure in book and magazine illustration, graphic arts and poster design, as well as the history of gender and sexuality. This is the catalog of the exhibition [on display [at the Grolier Club, September 8–November 12, 2022] with all items on display drawn from the Mark Samuels Lasner Collection, which is part of the University of Delaware Library, Museums and Press in Newark, Delaware. This collection is remarkable not only for its holdings related to Beardsley—including prints, drawings, watercolors, photographs, posters, manuscripts, first editions, proofs, association and presentation copies of books, periodicals, theater programs, and paper ephemera—but for a wealth of material by Beardsley’s contemporaries and also by his Victorian predecessors, especially the British Pre-Raphaelites. It was assembled by a long-time Grolier Club member, **Mark Samuels Lasner**, and reflects both his own interests and expertise and those of his partner, **Margaret D. Stetz**, the Mae and Robert Carter Professor of Women’s Studies and Professor of Humanities at the University of Delaware. They have curated this exhibition, which received a stellar review from *The New Yorker*.

**Taste: “Getting Lost in the World’s Largest Stack of Menus.”** The Buttolph collection of menus at the New York Public Library continues to inspire a new generation of researchers, chefs, and restaurant fans.  
[https://tastecooking.com/getting-lost-in-the-worlds-largest-stack-of-menus/?utm\\_source=Sailthru&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Lit%20Hub%20Daily:%20January%209%2C%202023&utm\\_term=lithub\\_master\\_li](https://tastecooking.com/getting-lost-in-the-worlds-largest-stack-of-menus/?utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Lit%20Hub%20Daily:%20January%209%2C%202023&utm_term=lithub_master_li)

**Smithsonian Magazine: "This Rare Robert Burns Book Was Discovered in a Barber Shop, Where It Was Used to Clean Razors."**  
<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/rare-robert-burns-book-saved-from-barber-shop-180981379/>  
[https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/rare-robert-burns-book-saved-from-barber-shop-180981379/?utm\\_source=smithsonian-daily&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=editorial&spMailingID=47849523&spUserID=MTZmZDg1MTk3NDc1OQS2&spJobID=2380974418&spReportId=MjM4MDk3NDQxOAS2](https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/rare-robert-burns-book-saved-from-barber-shop-180981379/?utm_source=smithsonian-daily&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=editorial&spMailingID=47849523&spUserID=MTZmZDg1MTk3NDc1OQS2&spJobID=2380974418&spReportId=MjM4MDk3NDQxOAS2)

**Word Wenchies:** A blog from multi-published romance writers. This edition features a murder mystery by Andrea Penrose which is set in the venerable Merton College Library at Oxford. It is the oldest academic library in the world.  
<https://archive.feedblitz.com/1086841/~9158442/15201393/a313478f1fa08a6fc3886bcfdb197a3b>

**Fine Books & Collections: Fine BookNotes for January**  
<https://www.finebooksmagazine.com/>

***The Art Newspaper: “Unknown history of 600-year-old, coded Voynich Manuscript revealed by researcher.”*** By Gary Shaw..

<https://www.theartnewspaper.com/2023/01/13/unknown-history-of-600-year-old-coded-voynich-manuscript-revealed-by-researcher>

***Literary Hub: “This Week in Literary History January 15-January 21.”*** Including articles on the first American novel ever published and America’s libraries.

<https://link.lithub.com/view/602ea70a180f243d653298a0i0jz2.h5a/c7b66ed2>

***Taste: “Getting Lost in the World’s Largest Stack of Menus”.*** By Adam Reiner..

[https://tastecooking.com/getting-lost-in-the-worlds-largest-stack-of-menus/?campaign\\_id=58&emc=edit\\_ck\\_20230113&instance\\_id=82540&nl=cooking&regi\\_id=69947350&segment\\_id=122418&te=1&user\\_id=a6124f93996b714ac29bc90f490d0594](https://tastecooking.com/getting-lost-in-the-worlds-largest-stack-of-menus/?campaign_id=58&emc=edit_ck_20230113&instance_id=82540&nl=cooking&regi_id=69947350&segment_id=122418&te=1&user_id=a6124f93996b714ac29bc90f490d0594)

***Rebecca Romney. “Why Book Collectors Like Dust Jackets.”*** (From her blog)

<https://www.rebeccaromney.com/blog/dust-jacket-history>

***JSTOR DAILY: “William Morris, Anti-Capitalist Publisher.”*** By May Wang.

[https://daily.jstor.org/william-morris-anti-capitalist-publisher/?utm\\_source=Sailthru&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Lit%20Hub%20Daily%20January%2013%2C%202023&utm\\_term=lithub\\_master\\_list](https://daily.jstor.org/william-morris-anti-capitalist-publisher/?utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Lit%20Hub%20Daily%20January%2013%2C%202023&utm_term=lithub_master_list)

***Fine Books & Collections: “On the Hunt for Rare Books with Kurt Zimmerman.”*** Zimmerman is the author of *Rare Book Hunting* and cofounder of the Book Hunters Club of Houston.

<https://www.finebooksmagazine.com/fine-books-news/hunt-rare-books-kurt-zimmerman>

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