



The Baltimore Bibliophiles

A Literary Miscellany 10-27-2025

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Calendar of Events for 2025

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

Tuesday, January, 21 2025

Leonard Marcus. *“Strong Women, Great Books: The Women Who Invented American Children's Book Publishing.”*

7:00 pm ZOOM

February, 2025

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

Reid Byers. *“Imaginary Books: Lost, Unfinished and Fictive Works from the Collection Of Reid Byers.”*

PowerPoint coordinated by the speaker.

7:00 pm ZOOM (This program will not be recorded.)

Tuesday, April 15-ZOOM

April Oettinger. *“Goucher's Art & Artifacts collection and the Woman's College of Baltimore Museum.”*

7:00 pm ZOOM

May, 2025

June, 2025

July, 2025

August 23, 2025

Field trip to Wonder Book and Video, Frederick, Maryland

Tour of the (5,000,000 book!) warehouse by owner Chuck Roberts.

Lunch at Modern Asia.

Visit to one of the Wonder Book retail stores.

September 13, 2025

Mark Samuels Lasner. *“**Could've, Should've, Didn't: Tales of a Wrong-headed Collector.**”*

Edgar Allan Poe Reading Room, Enoch Pratt Free Library

Co-Sponsors: Enoch Pratt Free Library with Baltimore Bibliophiles

Enoch Pratt Free Library, 400 Cathedral St, Baltimore, Maryland

12:00 pm(Meet & Greet; refreshments); talk begins at 1:00 pm

Registration is required. Below is the link via EventBrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-baltimore-bibliophiles-present-mark-samuels-lasner-tickets-1450630718529>

For parking details, please contact Binnie - BSBGC@aol.com

Monday, October 6, 2025

Professor Richard Kopley, author of *Edgar Allan Poe: A Life*.

Poe Reading Room. Lecture followed by book signing.

Co-Sponsors: Enoch Pratt Free Library with Baltimore Bibliophiles

Enoch Pratt Free Library, 400 Cathedral St, Baltimore, Maryland

6:30 pm

Registration is required. Below is the link via EventBrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/richard-kopley-edgar-allan-poe-tickets-1410823694649>

PARKING IS *FREE!* in the **Franklin Street Garage** at 15 W. Franklin Street (just one block from the library, which is located at 400 Cathedral Street across from the Baltimore Basilica).

Just take your parking entry ticket, park in any available space and *ask for your parking voucher when you enter the Poe Room, located on the 2nd floor of the library.*

November 1, 2025

ANNUAL MEETING

Featured Speaker: Casey Smith, Executive Director, Frederick Book Arts Center

Special keepsake for attendees!

Buffet Luncheon

Matthews 1600, 1600 Frederick Rd, Catonsville, Md.

11:30 am-3:30 pm

December, 2025

Spotlight on our new webpage!

www.baltimorebibliophiles.org

News & Notes from Here and There...

On October 6, the Enoch Pratt Free Library (Central) and the Baltimore Bibliophiles hosted **Professor Richard Kopley**, who gave a talk on his new book, *Edgar Allan Poe: A Life*. The evening included the sale of Professor Kopley's book, which he signed after Q and A. The talk took place in the library's Edgar Allan Poe Room. October 6 is one day before the anniversary of Poe's death.

Slate: The 25 Greatest Picture Books of the Past 25 Years. By Dan Kois and Rebecca Onion. <https://share.google/N3NwpMHMXs475>

<https://blogs.loc.gov/bibliomania/2025/09/24/young-george-washingtons-war-journals/?loclr=ea>
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Ancient Origins: Scottish Scholars Challenge Book of Kells Origins. By Gary Manners.

<https://search.app/vmJqy>

Johns Hopkins Sheridan Libraries & University Museums Blog: New Exhibition at Homewood Museum Tells House's 224-Year History.

<https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Homewood-s-walls-start-talking--Responsible-AI--Evergreen-s-baby-grand-restored--and-more.html?soid=1119840455039&aid=6igYVzwUCzk>

The Baltimore Banner: Jane Austen's Baltimore: A fan guide and itinerary.

By Lexi K. Nilson.(Suggested by Tom Stosur)

<https://www.thebanner.com/community/local-news/jane-austen-fan-guide-baltimore-PZCWEBWCINEXDIJWH6ZTNJMW6U/>

https://www.thebanner.com/community/local-news/jane-austen-fan-guide-baltimore-PZCWEBWCINEXDIJWH6ZTNJMw6U/?schk=YES&rchk=YES&utm_source=The+Banner&utm_campaign=4cfa3a1fc0-NL_AMSC_20251008_0700&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_4cfa3a1fc0-558528124&mc_cid=4cfa3a1fc0

The Baltimore Banner: School spirit(s): Inside the ghost archives at UMBC .

By Ellie Wolfe. (Suggested by Tom Stosur)

<https://www.thebanner.com/education/higher-education/umbc-parapsychology-collection-ghosts-2ZLYEXE5SRD5XC53CFJMYUMAK4/>

https://www.thebanner.com/education/higher-education/umbc-parapsychology-collection-ghosts-2ZLYEXE5SRD5XC53CFJMYUMAK4/?schk=YES&rchk=YES&utm_source=The+Banner&utm_campaign=3bdf01b97f-NL_AMSC_20251010_0700&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_3bdf01b97f-558528124&mc_cid=3bdf01b97f

CBS News: 17th century book found in MSU donation bin. By Matt Jaworski.

<https://share.google/XdL28OPrVZeFAklR8>

Open Culture: The Aberdeen Bestiary, One of the Great Medieval Illuminated Manuscripts, Now Digitized in High Resolution & Made Available Online.

<https://search.app/TMgi8>

Newsweek: Inside a Book Lover's Dream Home—for Sale With 7,000-Story Library. By Alice Gibb.

<https://search.app/pf4ow>

The Baltimore Banner: Why Jane Austen superfans pick Baltimore as their ballroom in novelist's 250th year. By Tim Prudente. (Suggested by Tom Stosur)

<https://www.thebanner.com/culture/arts/jane-austen-birthday-goucher-college-XMKAUT6RPBFQJGPPEJNATPGVJE/>

Time Sensitive!

November 5, 2025

Ohio State's Rare Books & Manuscripts Library: Madison Good, of The Ohio State University's Thompson Library Special Collections, will discuss Margaret Armstrong's career, highlights of her work, and some of the Armstrong books held in Ohio State's special collections.

Margaret Armstrong was one of the most celebrated and prolific book cover designers of the late 19th and early 20th century, with more than 300 known designs published over her 40-year career. Although lauded during her lifetime, her work fell into obscurity after her death, and it has only been in the past 30 years that she has been rediscovered and recognized for her innovative contributions to the turn of the century publishing industry.

See the link below for information on attending this virtual event.

<https://library.osu.edu/events/the-book-covers-of-margaret-armstrong>

November 8, 2025

Baltimore City Historical Society & Historical Society of Baltimore County:
Out of Many, We Are One: MD 250 in Baltimore City and County-14th Annual Joint History Program of BCHS and HSBC. (Suggested by Tom Stosur)

Please join us on **Saturday, November 8, 2025, from 1-3 pm** for our 14th Annual BCHS-HSBC Joint Program. Details in the link below.

<https://mailchi.mp/28feff90d3a7/2023-bchs-hsbc-joint-program-18167182?e=9aa9c5619a>

November 14, 2025

Caxton Club: Sara Charles on The Medieval Scriptorium – Making Books in the Middle Ages. (Suggested by Tom Stosur)

See the link below for information on registering for this virtual program.

<https://caxtonclub.org/event-6296386>

To join The Baltimore Bibliophiles, please visit our new webpage:
www.baltimorebibliophiles.org and click on "Join."