

A Literary Miscellany April 21, 2023

Binnie Syril Braunstein, Editor

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 28, 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

Binnie Syril Braunstein. Secrets of a writing career: How a bus ride led (dragged) the author to pen short stories and romance novels. Wednesday, April 19, 2023. 7:00 pm. ZOOM

Susan King, novelist. Lady MacBeth: A Novel. A different view of The Scottish Play. May, 2023. Date TBD. ZOOM

Rebecca Romney, Rare Book Specialist Next Generation Book Collecting: How Gen Z Is Joining the Centuries-Long Tradition Saturday, July 8, 2023. 1:00 pm. Enoch Pratt Free Library (Central). In person.

Lunch (details at a later date). Open to the public!

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*.

Wednesday, September 20, 2023. 7:00 pm. ZOOM

Chris Needham. *Theft, Mutilation and Forgery--Terrible and True Tales of Book Crimes!* October, 2023. Exact Date TBD. 7:00 pm. **ZOOM.**

Annual Meeting. Election of Officers. Jacqueline Coleburn and Anthony Mullan (both from Library of Congress) on Peter Parley aka Samuel Goodrich. Saturday, November, 18, 2023 1:00 pm. Enoch Pratt Free Library (Central). Lunch (Details at a later date) Open to the public!

News and Notes fromHere and There....

Kelmscott Bookshop: Artists' books featuring environmental challenges...

No - it's not Earth Day yet, but shouldn't we treat every day like it is? The following 19 artists' books call attention to various problems we are facing such as climate change, rising sea levels, habitat loss, wildfires, and extinction. The book artists represented are from across the U.S. as well as one artist from Egypt. A variety of structures and mediums are included ranging from tunnel books to paper cuts to more traditional codex structures. Additional pictures for all items are available on our website, which can be accessed by clicking on the title or author of each item. Orders can be made through our website, by contacting us by email at info@kelmscottbookshop.com or by calling us at 410-235-6810. https://bit.ly/Kelmscott_Environmental_Book_Arts_Spring23

Kelmscott Bookshop: Mid-April Newsletter

Through April 30th - books in the African History, Anthropology, Archaeology, and Biography sections priced at \$125 or less will be 30% off. Links to browse books in each section follow: **Browse Archaeology books on sale here**

Browse Anthropology books on sale here

Browse African History books on sale here

Browse Biography books on sale here

Browse All books on sale here

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

https://conta.cc/3GXoFAE

Midtown Scholar: Buy Day Fridays! Eric Papenfuse and his wife own Midtown Scholar, a bookstore in Harrisburg, PA. Every Friday is "Buy Day Friday," where Eric explains and reviews purchases from estates, etc., rare finds and more. Buy Day Fridays are available via You Tube. Check out the 2 links below. (Suggested by Ed papenfuse.) https://m.facebook.com/MidtownScholar/videos/buy-day-friday-eric-papenfuse-gives-you-theinside-scoop-on-this-weeks-most-inte/521179962925732/

https://www.facebook.com/MidtownScholar

For the complete playlist via You Tube:

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A Suitcase Full Of Books: "*Treasures and a Mystery at the NYPL*." https://asuitcasefullofbooks.com/treasures-and-a-mystery-at-the-nypl/

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boston/?utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Lit%20Hub%20Daily:%20 April%2013%2C%202023&utm_term=lithub_master_list

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Voynich manuscript tell?" [Click on the link below, then on the You Tube icon] <u>https://www.thearchaeologist.org/blog/historys-greatest-mysteries-what-does-the-voynich-manuscript-tell</u>

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Time Sensitive!

The Caxton Club: "BRUCE KENNETT ON W.A. DWIGGINS, TELLER OF

TALES." Bruce Kennett as he discusses W.A. Dwiggins and his Athalinthia project in person at the Newberry.

Produced entirely in New England, Athalinthia is filled with delights. It comes straight from the imagination and heart of W.A. Dwiggins (WAD), one of the great visual artists of the twentieth century. Wise and witty stories written by Dwiggins, are accompanied by more than a hundred of his fanciful illustrations – many of these never before seen in print.

4/25/2023 6:30 PM. CST Virtual and in person. Registration required via the link below.

https://caxtonclub.org/event-5251822

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University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee: 2023 "Maps & America" Arthur

Holzheimer Lecture. Karen Lewis, chair of Undergraduate Studies in Architecture and associate professor of architecture at Ohio State University, presents the 2023 "Maps &

America": Arthur Holzheimer Lecture on **Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 6 p.m.** in the American Geographical Society Library, located on the third floor of the UWM Golda Meir Library. *The title of her talk is "Unquiet Journeys: Mapping the Underground Railroad." In person or ZOOM. Registration is required via the link below.* https://uwm.edu/libraries/agsl/agsl-news-events/maps-america-2023-registration/

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