



The Baltimore Bibliophiles

A Literary Miscellany - May 5, 2021

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Revised (virtual) meeting schedule for 2020, 2021

All meetings begin at 7:00 pm - ZOOM link to be provided.

Wednesday, December 9, 2020. Annual Meeting. Announcements

Speaker: Elizabeth Atwood. *Marguerite Harrison, American Spy.*

Thursday, January 14, 2021

Speaker: Ed Papenfuse. *Jefferson's Printer.*

Thursday, February 18, 2021

Speaker: Spencer W. Stuart. On all aspects of collection building, maintaining, etc.

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

Speaker: Art Cheslock. *Blasphemy!*

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

Speaker: George Barnum, speaking about his book, *Picturing the Big Shop: Photos of the U.S. Government Publishing Office 1900-1980. Washington, DC, GPO, 2017.*

Thursday, May 20, 2021

Speaker: Posey Boicourt. In her charming memoir *Blue Tulip*, Posey Boicourt explores the forgotten world of a portrait painter from whom she is a direct descendent.

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

Speaker: April Oettinger

To Be Rescheduled, Dates/Times/Place TBD:

Speaker: Sallie Lowenstein. Children's book author, illustrator, publisher and maker of handmade books.

Speaker: Charles Tharp. *George Washington's Library and What He Read.*

News and noteworthy from here and there...

The Bibliophile: Nigel Beale hosts Mark Samuels Lasner, one of the world's great book collectors. "*Mark Samuels Lasner on Fun, Friendships and Book Collecting.*" Link to the podcast is below.

<https://mailchi.mp/075e496efb93/mark-samuels-lasner-one-of-the-worlds-great-book-collectors-latest-episode-the-biblio-file-podcast-hosted-by-nigel-beale?e=4d50868158>

From Kelmscott Bookshop: May Newsletter. Please note: For the first half of May (so ONLY for 2 weeks) - most of our prints, original artwork, maps, and illuminated manuscripts will be on sale. Items in all price ranges are included within this sale with discounts from 20% - 30% off; however, some private press and consignment items are excluded.

Because the shop is getting ready to move, please note that inventory will NOT be available for purchase from about mid-May through early July. It will be taken offline as books are being packed.

<https://myemail.constantcontact.com/May-Newsletter--Sale-on-Prints---Artwork---Moving---New-Arrivals.html?soid=1103337706551&aid=nuMoBlxm6ZY>

For any of you who might have missed **George Barum's talk** on the Government Publishing Office on April 20th, good news! Our webmaster, Nick Rosasco, has provided a link to the talk. The link is to YouTube. The talk is not findable/browsable: please use the link provided:

<https://youtu.be/cWAlI5RyRss>

Courtesy of George Barnum: "*Mythbusting Book Collecting*": **Rebecca Romney's talk sponsored by the Kelvin Smith Library at Case Western Reserve University.**

<https://youtu.be/T1WdvuPx5FA>

And yet one more item on YouTube: "Umberto Eco's Endless Library." (And you thought you had a lot of books!?) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Czc_KjWji8E

From Crooked Lane Books via *Crime Reads/Literary Hub*: "Why Librarians Are Natural Born Detectives." By M. E. Hilliard

https://crimereads.com/why-librarians-are-natural-born-detectives/?utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Lit%20Hub%20Daily:%20April%2015%20C%202021&utm_term=lithub_master_list

From *The Washington Post* via *Literary Hub*: "A brief oral history of the romance genre." By Angela Haupt.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/arts-entertainment/2021/04/15/romance-novels-history/?utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Lit%20Hub%20Daily:%20April%2016%20C%202021&utm_term=lithub_master_list

From *Medievalists.net*: "Historian tracks the medieval origins of our modern day legal system."

<https://www.medievalists.net/2021/04/historian-tracks-the-medieval-origins-of-our-modern-day-legal-system/>

From *Smithsonian Magazine* via *Literary Hub*: “*Before He Wrote a Thesaurus, Peter Mark Roget Had to Escape Napoleon’s Dragnet.*” by Claudia Kalb

How Peter Mark Roget went from ambivalent medical school graduate to thesaurus daddy. | Smithsonian Magazine

https://www.smithsonianmag.com/arts-culture/roget-gets-last-word-180977459/?utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Lit%20Hub%20Daily:%20April%2023%2C%202021&utm_term=lithub_master_list

From *Lake Union* via *Crime Reads*: *7 Great Books About Rare Books and Bibliophiles.* By Marlowe Benn.

<https://crimereads.com/7-great-mysteries-about-rare-books-and-biblioiphiles/>

From *ARTNews*: “*‘Once-in-a-Generation’ Rare Books Auction at Christie’s Brings in \$12.4 M.*” By Angelica Villa.

<https://www.artnews.com/art-news/market/rosenberg-rare-books-sale-plato-parisian-book-of-hours-1234590822/>

From *Weldon Owen* via *Literary Hub* Bookstores: “*7 Author-Owned Bookstores You should Visit.*” By Erin McCarthy & the Team at Mental Floss.

https://lithub.com/7-author-owned-bookstores-that-you-should-visit/?utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Lit%20Hub%20Daily:%20April%2023%2C%202021&utm_term=lithub_master_list

From *Ballantine Books* via *Literary Hub*: “*A Secret Feminist History of the Oxford English Dictionary.*” By Pip Williams

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_No2lZ-DVlujMu4CF0ctIydqXCzv1iETNzo0r_1Sd8/edit

From *Washington Post Book Club*: “...this week is Preservation Week, an annual celebration by the American Library Association. This year’s theme is “Preserving Community Archives. Those small collections all across the country — often containing material overlooked by traditional museums and libraries — provide the building blocks for restorative and enlightening works of history.”

http://www.ala.org/alcts/preservationweek?utm_campaign=wp_book_club&utm_medium=email&utm_source=new_sletter&wpsrc=nl_books

From *Literary Hub* Art: “*The Cozy, Homey Intricate Illustrations of Jan Brett.*” By Rebecca Rego Barry, on the New Exhibition at the Fenimore Art Museum in Cooperstown, NY.

https://lithub.com/the-cozy-homey-intricate-illustrations-of-jan-brett/?utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Lit%20Hub%20Daily:%20May%203%2C%202021&utm_term=lithub_master_list

From *Art and Object News* via *EXLIBRIS*: “*Rally to Sell Shares of Rare Declaration of Independence.*” Really...

<https://www.artandobject.com/news/rally-sell-shares-rare-declaration-independence>

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