



The Baltimore Bibliophiles

A Literary Miscellany June 14, 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 2025

Possible bookstore field trip. - stay tuned!

September 13, 2025

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

Poe Reading Room,

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

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

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

Spotlight on our members!

For those of you who do not know, (former) Librarian of Congress **Dr. Carla Hayden** is a former member of the Baltimore Bibliophiles. This issue of the *Literary Miscellany* has two references to her, one of which is an article that she wrote for *Library Journal*.

News & Notes from Here and There...

Kelmscott Bookshop: June Newsletter. This month books in our Books on Books section will be on sale. Many titles in this section will be up to 50% off throughout the month of June.

If you find yourself in Baltimore this summer, consider visiting the Walters Art Gallery to see the exhibition on poisonous books. The Walters has an incredible collection ranging from ancient and medieval art (including medieval manuscripts) to 21st century pieces. My personal favorite in the Walters is part of the permanent collection - the Chamber of Wonders, which includes 19th century curiosity cabinets and armor from around the world.

Finally, we are featuring a selection of new arrivals below including an Arion Press edition of *Cane*, Jean Toomer's Harlem Renaissance masterpiece on African American origins; a book on the ruins of Angkor Watt; a miniature book with poetry exploring past trauma; a mixed media piece addressing U.S. citizenship and naturalization; a book on a 19th century shipwreck and the horrors of captivity in the South Pacific, and more. View all 200 new arrivals on our New Arrivals page: <https://www.kelmscottbookshop.com/new-arrivals.php> . <https://myemail.constantcontact.com/June-Newsletter--Sale-on-Books-About-Books---New-Arrivals---If-Books-Could-Kill.html?soid=1103337706551&aid=Wccwsj5JRWw>

Library of Congress: Bibliomania: Bound to be Beautiful: The Warburg Book of Hours on Exhibit. A tiny masterpiece of Flemish illumination, the Warburg Book of

Hours in the Rare Book and Special Collections Division recently received a new binding that allows readers to better view some of the most beautiful paintings and trompe-l'œil manuscript borders in the Library's collection.

<https://blogs.loc.gov/bibliomania/2025/06/04/bound-to-be-beautiful-the-warburg-book-of-hours-on-exhibit/?loclr=eabib>

Johns Hopkins Sheridan Libraries University Museums. *New book illuminates the Ethel Ennis and Earl Arnett Collection at Hopkins.* Earl Arnett's long-awaited memoir *A Jazz Romance: Ethel Ennis, Baltimore & Me* is a heartfelt reflection on love, music, and life with Baltimore's First Lady of Jazz. Announcement includes other events and exhibitions on the Sheridan Libraries schedule.

<https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Ethel-Ennis-memoir--Campfire-fun--Cemetery-stories-and-more-.html?soid=1119840455039&aid=-JSCN8mrCg0>

The Guardian via Exlibris: Fired US librarian of Congress details callous dismissal in new interview. (Carla Hayden) (Provided by June Samaras of Kalamos Books, a Canadian bookseller.)

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2025/jun/07/librarian-of-congress-carla-hayden>

Library Journal via Exlibris: Renewing Our Commitment | Censorship. By Dr. Carla Hayden. Cite provided by June Samaras, kalamos Books, a Canadian bookseller..

https://www.libraryjournal.com/story/renewing-our-commitment-censorship?utm_content=335179167&utm_medium=social&utm_source=linkedin&hss_channel=lcp-3905614

Fine Books & Collections

<https://www.finebooksmagazine.com/>

AOL: 12 Old Cookbooks That Are Surprisingly Valuable. By Alina Wang.

<https://share.google/3QLTHxUfYyk9CdHPj>

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