



# The Baltimore Bibliophiles

A Literary Miscellany June 24, 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 Note - 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](http://www.baltimorebibliophiles.org)**

### ***Sad news...***

**Tom Beck** contacted me to inform me of the June 9, 2025, death of **Barbara Holdridge** who spoke to the Bibs at the Johns Hopkins Club several years ago. With her partner, she was the driving force behind Caedmon Records, and what is now the audiobook industry. Below are links to a selection of obituaries/articles.

**New York Times: *Barbara Holdridge, Whose Record Label Foretold***

***Audiobooks, Dies at 95.*** June 10, 2025. By Glenn Rifkin.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2025/06/10/books/barbara-holdridge-dead.html>

**Washington Post: *Barbara Holdridge, a pioneer for spoken-word recordings, dies at 95.*** June 11, 2025.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/obituaries/2025/06/11/barbara-holdridge-dead-caedmon/>

**Publishers Weekly: *Audiobook Pioneer Barbara Holdridge Dies at 95.*** By Jim Milliot.

<https://www.publishersweekly.com/pw/by-topic/industry-news/Obituary/article/97990-audiobook-pioneer-barbara-holdridge-dies-at-95.html>

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

**Kelmscott Bookshop:** Happy Pride Month! In honor of Pride Month we're featuring a selection of books about LGBTQIA+/- issues as well as books by authors and book artists who identify as LGBTQIA+/- including Oscar Wilde, Emilee Taxman, Ayin Es, and Emily Newberry. Thank you for taking the time to browse.

<https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Celebrating-Pride-Month---Book-Arts---More-.html?soid=1103337706551&aid=KU96HY08eGI>

## **Kelmscott Bookshop: Sale Books!**

Through the end of June, many items in our Books on Books section will be on sale - up to 50% off! This section includes books on papermaking, printing, book binding, book history, typography, bibliographies, notable book collections and collectors, library collections, authors, illuminated manuscripts, and more.

Browse ALL sale books on our Sale Page: <https://www.kelmscottbookshop.com/sale-books.php>  
<https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Sale-on-Books-on-Books---Up-to-50--off-.html?soid=1103337706551&aid=uDCEu2KTfpU>

## **Kelmscott Bookshop: Artist's Books!**

We are featuring a selection of artists' books relating to the Covid-19 pandemic. Each featured book was created during the pandemic or immediately after as a way of coping or as a response.

View our list here: [https://bit.ly/Kelmscott\\_Covid\\_List\\_2025](https://bit.ly/Kelmscott_Covid_List_2025)

## **Library of Congress: Bibliomania: Robert Motherwell's Illustrated Ulysses.**

June 16, 2025. Posted by: [Patrick Hastings](#).

<https://blogs.loc.gov/bibliomania/2025/06/16/robert-motherwells-illustrated-ulysses/?loclr=eabib>

## **CHEEZburger: 33 Beautiful Libraries and Bookstores That Will Make Your Inner Bookworm Swoon.** By John Summers.

<https://cheezburger.com/40983045/33-beautiful-libraries-and-bookstores-that-will-make-your-inner-bookworm-swoon>

## **Literary Hub: Why Read: Seven Books About Our Passion and Need for Reading.** By Donna Seaman.

<https://share.google/Mb42DTV5E3NYyDsYB>

## **Artnet New: Ireland's Oldest Book Shrine, Found Buried in a Lake, Reemerges.**

By Min Chen.

<https://search.app/AbVF8>

## **Collider.com: 'Sherlock' Co-Creator's New British Mystery Series Introduces an Unusual Kind of Detective in First Trailer.**

<https://share.google/QrQDca671JWLDnXuA>

## **Boston.com: This Mass. bookstore was named one of the best in America by USA TODAY.** By Annie Jonas.(A Baltimore bookstore is on the list!)

<https://share.google/GTqwqdx3oQWN5uILT>

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[www.baltimorebibliophiles.org](http://www.baltimorebibliophiles.org) and click on "Join."*