

ATHENÆUM BOOKSHELF

April 2015
(Books purchased for March 2015)

FEATURED SELECTION

[IN LOOKING BACK ONE LEARNS TO SEE](#)

MARY BERGSTEIN

In Looking Back One Learns to See: Marcel Proust and Photography is an intellectual adventure that brings to light Proust's visual imagination, his visual metaphors, and his photographic resources and imaginings. The book features over 90 illustrations which highlight various kinds of photography: daguerreotypes, stereoscopic cards, cartes-de-visite, postcards, book illustrations, and other photographic media. **A lecture by the author will be held at the Athenaeum on Wednesday, April 22, 2015, 5:30 PM.**

304 p., ill.

ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

[THE ARTIST'S GARDEN](#)

EDITED BY ANNA O. MARLEY

A celebration of the American garden movement and the artists who, from 1887 to 1920, turned to gardens as their subjects in the face of quickly changing cities and suburbs.

248 p., ill.

[GEORGE FREDERICK BODLEY](#)

MICHAEL HALL

Delve into the life and work of architectural pioneer George Frederick Bodley in this look at his accomplishments and innovations in the nineteenth century's Gothic Revival movement. **(Does not circulate by mail)**

506 p., ill.

[GARDENS & LANDSCAPES IN HISTORIC BUILDING CONSERVATION](#)

ED. BY MARION HARNEY

This volume is the ultimate guide for landscapers who are eager to understand the fundamentals of conservation techniques in historic properties.

450 p., ill.

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304 p., ill.

[MASTERPIECES OF BRITISH DESIGN](#)

CHARLOTTE AND PETER FIELL

A survey of over 300 years of British design, including furniture, vehicles, textiles, and much more. **(Does not circulate by mail)**

256 p., ill.

[MIDCENTURY HOUSES TODAY](#)

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240 p., ill.

[NEW JERSEY'S COLONIAL ARCHITECTURE](#)

DAVID VEASEY

Veasey celebrates New Jersey's 350th birthday through descriptions and vivid photographs of one hundred buildings that epitomize New Jersey's colonial architecture.

128 p., ill.

[RENDEZ-VOUS WITH ART](#)

PHILIPPE DE MONTEBELLO, MARTIN GAYFORD

Gayford, an art critic, met with Philippe de Montebello, Director of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in locations around the world to view and discuss various works of art.

248 p., ill.

BIOGRAPHY

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BORIS JOHNSON

A celebration of Churchill's life and his social, military, and political accomplishments by the Mayor of London.

390 p., ill.

THE DEFIANT LIFE OF VERA FIGNER

LYNNE ANN HARTNETT

The thrilling life of an important figure during the Russian revolutionary period, who was a leader in the terroristic People's Will, and accomplice to the assassination of Tsar Alexander II. 324 p., ill.

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HAROLD HOLZER

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SETH KOVEN

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ANITA ANAND

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ERIC FONER

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GERALD POSNER +

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CHARLES N. EDEL

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CARL LANE

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MISCELLANEOUS

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VITA SACKVILLE-WEST, SARAH RAVEN

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AUDIOBOOKS

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JANE GARDAM

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The USS *Montana* and its entire crew are about to be lost to the freezing waters of the Arctic Ocean, and their only hope is a team nearby led by a Marine doctor, Joe Rush. With the added threat of an enemy spy vessel close by, Rush has only thirty-six hours to save the submarine's crew before they perish. 324 p.

DETECTIVES

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SIMON BRETT

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