

# Book 'Em



## Books and Publishing News

for the Hiram College Library Community

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New and improved: now includes bonus film review action!

Any comments, questions, or requests can be sent to [Jessica Olin](#).

<b>Fiction:</b>			
Author	Title	Call #	Comments
<b>Junot Díaz</b>	<b><i>This is How You Lose Her</i></b>	<a href="#">F D5436t</a>	A collection of short stories that each discuss different aspects of love.
<b>Deborah Harkness</b>	<b><i>Shadow of Night</i></b>	<a href="#">F H2261s</a>	The second book in the "All Souls Trilogy." The first is <a href="#">A Discovery of Witches</a> .
<b>Hilary Mantel</b>	<b><i>Bring Up the Bodies</i></b>	<a href="#">F M3187b 2012</a>	This <a href="#">Man Booker Prize winning</a> book is the sequel to <a href="#">Wolf Hall</a> , which also won the Man Booker Prize (in 2009).
<b>Zadie Smith</b>	<b><i>NW</i></b>	<a href="#">F Sm688n</a>	This book is more about London than any of the characters.
<b>Karen Thompson</b>	<b><i>The Age of Miracles</i></b>	<a href="#">F W1528a</a>	The protagonist comes of age while the Earth is dying.

<b>Juvenile:</b>			
Author	Title	Call #	Comments
<b>Emma Dodd</b>	<b><i>I Am Small</i></b>	<a href="#">JF D6613i</a>	See extended review below.
<b>Eva Ibbotson</b>	<b><i>The Beasts of Clawstone Castle</i></b>	<a href="#">JF Ib2b</a>	Ghosts, kids, castles, and cattle. An unnatural mix that's fun to read. (Reading level: ages 8 & up.)

<b>National Geographic</b>	<b>Count!</b>	<a href="#">J 513.211 Cou</a>	This board book teaches counting using animals photographed by National Geographic. (Reading level: age 1 & up.)
<b>James L. Swanson</b>	<b><i>Bloody Times: The Funeral of Abraham Lincoln and The Manhunt for Jefferson Davis</i></b>	<a href="#">J 973.7 Swa</a>	All the content you'd expect from the title, but geared towards a younger audience. (Reading level: ages 8 & up.)

<b>Graphic Novels &amp; Comics:</b>			
Author/Artist	Title	Call #	Comments
<b>Darryl Cunningham</b>	<b><i>Science Tales: Lies, Hoaxes, and Scams</i></b>	<a href="#">500 Cun</a>	A graphic novel approach to science and scientific scams? Yup!
<b>Chris York and Rafiel York (eds.)</b>	<b><i>Comic Books and the Cold War: Essays on Graphic Treatment of Communism, the Code and Social Concerns</i></b>	<a href="#">741.530973 Com</a>	From the Fantastic Four to the Yellow Peril, this collection dissects how comic books reflected our feelings and fears about the Cold War.

<b>Memoir &amp; Biography:</b>			
Author	Title	Call #	Comments
<b>Pierre Briant</b>	<b><i>Alexander the Great and His Empire</i></b>	<a href="#">938.07 Ale-B 2010</a>	Originally published under the title <i>Alexandre le Grand</i> . (Paris: Presses Universitaires de France, 1974.) Translated by Amélie Kuhrt.
<b>Thomas Levenson</b>	<b><i>Einstein in Berlin</i></b>	<a href="#">530.11 Ein-L</a>	Discusses the famous scientist's life between 1914 and 1932.
<b>Brenda Maddox</b>	<b><i>Freud's Wizard: Ernest Jones and the Transformation of Psychoanalysis</i></b>	<a href="#">616.89092 Jon-M</a>	From the book flap: "Today we take for granted the saturation of the English-speaking world with psychoanalytic concepts. In fact, however, this came about mainly through the efforts of one articulate and ambitious analyst, Ernest Jones."

<b>Sallie Tisdale</b>	<b><i>Women of the Way: Discovering 2,500 Years of Buddhist Wisdom</i></b>	<a href="#">294.30922 Tis</a>	Reestablishes the role that women have played in Buddhism in the past.
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<b>Nonfiction:</b>			
Author	Title	Call #	Comments
<b>Samuel Arbesman</b>	<b><i>The Half-Life of Facts: Why Everything We Know Has an Expiration Date</i></b>	<a href="#">501 Arb</a>	The author is a senior scholar at the <a href="#">Kauffman Foundation</a> and a fellow at the <a href="#">Institute for Quantitative Social Science at Harvard University</a> .
<b>Harvey Frommer</b>	<b><i>Shoeless Joe and Ragtime Baseball</i></b>	<a href="#">796.357092 Jac-F</a>	Another look at Joe Jackson's role in the 1919 World Series scandal, including the full text of Jackson's grand jury testimony.
<b>Jim Manzi</b>	<b><i>Uncontrolled: The Surprising Payoff of Trial-and-Error for Business, Politics, and Society</i></b>	<a href="#">001.434 Man</a>	Exactly what you'd expect from the subtitle.
<b>Uta C. Merzbach and Carl B. Boyer</b>	<b><i>A History of Mathematics</i></b>	<a href="#">510.9 Mer 2011</a>	This third edition includes updates to recent trends.
<b>Simon Winchester</b>	<b><i>A Crack in the Edge of the World: America and the Great California Earthquake of 1906</i></b>	<a href="#">979.461051 Win</a>	Simon Winchester doing what he does best – putting a personal spin on historic events and thereby making those events accessible.

<b>Awards:</b>		
Award	Details	Comments
<b>Wellcome Trust Book Prize</b>	<i>William Harvey: A Life in Circulation</i> , by Thomas Wright	This prize is awarded to " <a href="#">works of fiction and non-fiction on the theme of health and medicine</a> ." Our copy is on its way.

<b>Guardian Children's Fiction Prize</b>	<i>The Unforgotten Coat</i> , by Frank Boyce	Another one that is on order.
<b>T S Eliot Prize</b>	The <a href="#">short list</a> has been announced.	I'm going to wait until the winner is announced to make purchases, but if there's something on the short list that you'd like added to our collection, <a href="#">let me know</a> .
<b>National Book Award, Young People's Literature</b>	<i>Goblin Secrets</i> , by William Alexander	Yet another one that I've ordered.
<b>National Book Award, Poetry</b>	<i>Bewilderment</i> , by David Ferry	Ditto.
<b>National Book Award, Nonfiction</b>	<i>Behind the Beautiful Forevers</i> , by Katherine Boo	We do <a href="#">own this one</a> , but as of this writing it's off campus. <a href="#">Let us know if you'd like to put a hold on it?</a>
<b>National Book Award, Fiction</b>	<i>The Round House</i> , by Louise Erdrich	Ordered.
<b>National Book Award, Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters</b>	Elmore Leonard	We have many of <a href="#">his books</a> . What we don't have, <a href="#">OhioLINK can provide</a> .

<b>Obituaries:</b>	
Han Suyin (Elizabeth Comber), 95	Best known for her book, <i>A Many-Splendored Thing</i> , the author died at the beginning of this month according to <a href="#">The Guardian</a> .
Paul Kurtz, 86	<a href="#">Kurtz</a> was a philosopher, an author, and a publisher. <a href="#">He died last month</a> in his home.
Jaques Barzun, 104	This distinguished historian <a href="#">died</a> last month as well. We have <a href="#">many of his books</a> if you're interested in reading some.
Jack Gilbert, 87	The <a href="#">poet died</a> earlier this month in Berkley. Let me know if there's something that we don't <a href="#">already have</a> of his that you want.

### Featured Review:

***I Am Small*, written and illustrated by Emma Dodd, published in 2011 by Scholastic.**

Sure, this is a picture book geared towards small children, but it's worth your time even if you have no kids in your life. The main character is a penguin chick who is, as the title states, small. The illustrations have a deceptive simplicity that is mirrored by the text of the story. "The mountains are steep... and I am small," is illustrated with the chick sliding down a steep slope. This book is the very definition of "short but sweet."

Unless it has been checked out, you will find this title, and many others, on the new bookshelf on the first floor of the library. Once it has moved to its permanent home, you will find it in the Chamberlain Room on the lower level, with the rest of the children's books, under [JF D6613j](#).

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