

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!

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Fiction:			
Author	Title	Call #	Comments
Boyle, T. C.	<i>Stories II</i>	F B6978s 2013	Brings together the stories from his three most recent short story collections, plus 14 stories never published in book form
Lahiri, Jhumpa	<i>The Lowland</i>	F L1394L	The Pulitzer Prize-winner is back with a new novel about two brothers who grow up in Calcutta and then separate, one to go into politics in India, the other to become a scientist in America.
Gilbert, Elizabeth	<i>The Signature of All Things</i>	F G373s	The author of Eat, Pray, Love is back with a novel focused on the life of a 19 th century female botanist.
Olmstead, Robert	<i>The Coldest Night</i>	F OL5c 2012	When Henry Childs is threatened by his first love's father, he enlists in the Marines to escape and ends up in the Korean War.

Memoir & Biography:			
Author	Title	Call #	Comments
Jones, Brian jay	<i>Jim Henson: The Biography</i>	791.430233 Hen-J	The first comprehensive biography of the man who brought us the Muppets, the characters who starred in <i>The Muppet Show</i> , <i>Sesame Street</i> , and a number of movies.
Johnson, David	<i>John Randolph of Roanoke</i>	973.4 Ran-J	A biography of the long-serving conservative congressman from

			Virginia, first elected in 1799. He clashed with presidents from John Adams to Andrew Jackson and even exchanged gunfire with Henry Clay.
Ronstadt, Linda	<i>Simple Dreams: A Musical Memoir</i>	782.4216409 Ron	The singer tells the story of her life in music, from her early life in Tucson to her rise to fame in the southern California music scene of the late 1960s and the 1970s and beyond.
Burt, Jr., Edward H. and Davis, Jr., William E.	<i>Alexander Wilson: The Scot Who Founded American Ornithology</i>	598.092 Wil-B	Biography of the Alexander Wilson, who, the book argues, founded American ornithology. The best part, though, may be the color reproductions of Wilson's art works along with commentary.
Lennon, J. Michael	<i>Norman Mailer: A Double Life</i>	813.54 Mai-L 2013	The authorized biography.

Non-Fiction			
Author	Title	Call #	Comments
LaFollette, Marcel Chotkowski	<i>Science on American Television: A History</i>	791.4566 Laf	The author goes from the 1940s to the turn of the twenty-first century to show how television has portrayed science, in both fact and fiction.
Brough, Lawrence A.	<i>The Electric Pullman: A History of the Niles Car and Manufacturing Company</i>	338.762523 Bro	A short history (113 pages) of the short-lived Niles, Ohio, company (about 15 years) that build cars for electric railroads.
Carroll, Abigail	<i>Three Squares: The Invention of the American Meal</i>	394.120973 Car	A look at how the simple fare of our forefathers evolved into the snacks and fast food of today.
Ferraro, Joanne M.	<i>Venice: History of the Floating City</i>	945.311 Fer	The subtitle says it all – a history from Venice's founding to the present. With some great color photographs thrown in for good measure.
Levina, Marina and Diem-My T. Bui, eds.	<i>Monster Culture in the 21st Century: A Reader</i>	791.4367 Mon	A collection of essays that look at how monstrosity has been used to manage our rising fears and the tensions of our times. The essays look at popular films and television shows, such as <i>True Blood</i> , <i>Twilight</i> , <i>Paranormal Activity</i> , <i>District 9</i> , <i>Battlestar Galactica</i> , and <i>Avatar</i> .

Frank, Marc	<i>Cuban Revelations: Behind the Scenes in Havana</i>	327.7291073 Fra	Observations by a U.S. journalist who has lived in Havana for almost 25 years.
Seidman, Karl F.	<i>Coming Home to New Orleans: Neighborhood Rebuilding after Katrina</i>	307.1409763 Sei	A look at grass-roots rebuilding efforts in New Orleans and what we can learn from them.

Films:			
Title	Director	Call #	Comments
<i>Seven Samurai</i>	Akira Kurosawa	Feature Film Sh612 1954 2006 DVD	Kurosawa's highly acclaimed story of a sixteenth-century village whose residents hire seven out-of-work warriors to protect them from invading bandits. This 1954 film served as the basis for The Magnificent Seven .
<i>Last Year at Marienbad</i>	Alain Resnais	Feature Film An74 1961 2009 DVD	Resnais explores the nature of memory in an ambiguous story of a man and a woman who may or may not have met last year at Marienbad.