



**NEW BOOKS LIST
DECEMBER 2009**

IN THE LOBBY

NON-FICTION

Aczel, Amir D. – Uranium wars: the scientific rivalry that created the nuclear age

Agassi, Andre – Open: an autobiography

Alexander, Caroline – The war that killed Achilles: the true story of Homer's Iliad and the Trojan War

Apple, R. W. – Far flung and well fed: the food writing of R.W. Apple Jr.

Auletta, Ken – Googled: the end of the world as we know it

Bachrach, Nancy – The center of the universe

Barber, Lynn – An education
Benjamin, Rich – Searching for Whitopia: an improbable journey to the heart of white America

Black, Jeremy – War: a short history

Bloch, Michael – James Lees-Milne: the life

Bonds, Russell S. – War like the thunderbolt: the battle and burning of Atlanta

Brand, Stewart – Whole earth discipline: an ecopragmatist manifesto

Braunschweiger, Amy – Taxi confidential: life, death, and 3 a.m. revelations in New York City cabs
Brewer, John – The American Leonardo: a tale of obsession, art and money

Burroughs, Augusten – You better not cry: stories for Christmas

Cloud, David – The fourth star: four generals and the epic struggle for the future of the United States Army

Conroy, Scott – Sarah from Alaska: the sudden rise and brutal education of a new conservative superstar

Darnton, Robert – The case for books: past, present, and future

Woolf, Greene, Wodehouse, Waugh, Spark, et al.) **AUDIO-CD 820.9 B**

Gogol, Nikolai – Dead souls (10 CDs) **LOBBY AUDIO-CD G**
Larkin, Philip – The Sunday sessions: Philip Larkin reading his poetry **AUDIO-CD 821 L**

McCall Smith, Alexander – Creating humans: ethical questions where reproduction and science collide (7 CDs) **AUDIO-CD 176 M**
Sterne, Laurence – Tristram Shandy (15 CDs) **LOBBY AUDIO-CD S**

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The New York *Times* book of New York: **549 stories** · **974.71 N OVERSIZE**

Meyerowitz, Joel – Legacy: the preservation of wilderness in New York City parks · **778 M**

Pericoli, Matteo – The city out my window: 61 views on New York · **917.471 P**

Pritchard, Evan T. – Henry Hudson and the Algonquins of New York · **910.9 P**

AUDIO BOOKS

Spoken word: British writers (3 CDs of 1930–89 BBC broadcasts w/ Doyle, Kipling,

SCIENCE

Isbell, Lynne A. – The fruit, the tree, and the serpent: why we see so well · **599 I**

Maran, Stephen P. – Galileo's new universe · **520.9 M**

McCalman, Iain – Darwin's armada · **575 M**

Walls, Laura – The passage to Cosmos: Alexander von Humboldt and the shaping of America · **508 W**

BIRDS

Couzens, Dominic – Top 100 birding sites of the world · **598.2 C OVERSIZE**

Mynott, Jeremy – Birdscapes: birds in our imagination and experience · **598.2 M**

Tudge, Colin – The bird: a natural history of who birds are, where they came from, and how they live · **598.2 T**

TRAVEL & DESCRIPTION

Fry, Stephen – Stephen Fry in America · **917.3 F**

Kociejowski, Marius – The street philosopher and the holy fool (Syria) · **915.69 K**

Miller, Sam – Delhi: adventures in a megacity · **915.4 M**

Travelers' tales, Thailand: true stories (James O'Reilly, ed.) · **915.9 T**

White, Tony – Another fool in the Balkans: in the footsteps of Rebecca West · **914.96 W**

WAR

Blaichman, Frank – Rather die fighting: a memoir of WWII · **940.5318 B**

Hoffman, David E. – The dead hand: the untold story of the Cold War arms race and its dangerous legacy · **355.4 H**

Moyar, Mark – A question of command: counterinsurgency from the Civil War to Iraq · **355 M**

Washington, George – This glorious struggle: Revolutionary War letters (Edward G. Lengel, ed.) · **973.38 W**

POLITICS & GOVERNMENT

Ali, Tariq – The idea of communism · **335.4 A**

Collier, Paul – Wars, guns, and votes: democracy in dangerous places · **303.6 C**

Tocqueville, Alexis de – Tocqueville on America after 1840: letters and other writings · **320.9 T**

RELIGION

Anderson, Gary A. – Sin: a history · **241 A**

Freeman, Charles – A new history of early Christianity · **270.1 F**

Kristeva, Julia – This incredible need to believe · **201 K**

Wizisla, Erdmut – Walter Benjamin and Bertolt Brecht · **830.1 W**

HISTORY

Bolívar, Simón – The Bolívarian Revolution · **980 B**
Fernández-Armesto, Felipe – 1492: the year the world began · **909 F**

Kagan, Donald – Thucydides: the reinvention of history · **938 K**

Merry, Robert W. – A country of vast designs: James K. Polk and the conquest of the American continent · **973.6 M**

Overy, R. J. – The twilight years: the paradox of Britain between the wars · **942.083 O**

Tichi, Cecelia – Civic passions: seven who launched progressive America · **973.8 T**
Uglow, Jennifer S. – A gambling man (Charles II) · **942.06 U**

Wolpert, Stanley A. – India · **954 W**

1989

Meyer, Michael – The year that changed the world · **947 M**

Pleshakov, Konstantin – There is no freedom without bread! · **947 P**

Sarotte, M. E. – 1989: the struggle to create post-Cold War Europe · **940.55 S**

PHILOSOPHY

Grayling, A. C. – Ideas that matter: a personal guide for the 21st century · **121 G**

Miller, J. Hillis – For Derrida · **194 M**

Evans, C. Stephen – Kierkegaard: an introduction · **198 E**

The meaning of death (Herman Feifel, ed.) · **128 M**

MUSIC

Palmer, Robert – Blues & chaos · **780.9 P**

Smith, W. Eugene – The jazz loft project: photographs and tapes from 821 Sixth Avenue, 1957–1965 · **770 S**

Variations on the canon: essays on music from Bach to Boulez in honor of Charles Rosen on his eightieth birthday (Robert Curry, et al., eds.) · **780.9 V**

BIOGRAPHY/MEMOIR

Baker, Elna – The New York Regional Mormon Singles Halloween Dance · **92 B1672 B**

Bernstein, Hilda – The world that was ours (South Africa) · **968 B**

Mayor, Adrienne – The Poison King: the life and legend of Mithradates · **92 M6843 M**

Service, Robert – Trotsky · **92 T8585 S**

Trewin, Ion – Alan Clark · **92 C5921 T**

ART & ARCHITECTURE

American stories: paintings of everyday life, 1765–1915 (H. Barbara Weinberg, ed.) · **754 A**

Annason, H. Harvard – History of modern art · **709.04 A**

Goldberger, Paul – Why architecture matters · **720 G**

Muschamp, Herbert – Hearts of the city: selected writings · **724 M**

Sullivan, Michael – The arts of China · **709.51 S**

Swinbourne, Anna – James Ensor · **759.93 E**

Weber, Nicholas Fox – The Bauhaus group · **709.2 W**

PHOTOGRAPHY

Greenough, Sarah – Looking in: Robert Frank's *The Americans* (Met exhibit) · **779 F**

Gustavson, Todd – Camera: a history of photography from daguerreotype to digital · **770 G**

CRIME

Adelstein, Jake – Tokyo vice: an American reporter on the police beat in Japan · **364.1 A**

Gambetta, Diego – Codes of the underworld: how criminals communicate · **364 G**

POETRY

Ananios of Kleitor: poems & fragments and their reception from antiquity to the present (George Economou, transl.) · **881.09 A**

Bernard, April – Romanticism · **821 B**

Blake, William – The complete poetry and prose · **820.81 B**

Martory, Pierre – The landscapist: selected poems · **841 M**

Melville, Herman – Published poems · **821 M**

LANGUAGE

Historical thesaurus of the Oxford English dictionary (Christian Kay, et al., eds.) · **LSR 423 H**

Falk, Dean – Finding our tongues: mothers, infants and the origins of language · **401 F**

BOOKS & READING

Garner, Dwight – Read me: a century of classic American book advertisements · **070.5 G**

Katsoulis, Melissa – Literary hoaxes: an eye-opening history of famous frauds · **098 K**

Davis, Deborah – Gilded: how Newport became America’s richest resort
Derbyshire, John – We are doomed: reclaiming conservative pessimism
Egan, Timothy – The big burn: Teddy Roosevelt and the fire that saved America
Eliot, Lise – Pink brain, blue brain: how small differences grow into troublesome gaps—and what we can do about it
Epstein, Jason – Eating: a memoir
Evans, Harold – My paper chase: true stories of vanished times
Faye, Emmanuel – Heidegger: the introduction of Nazism into philosophy in light of the unpublished seminars of 1933-1935 (Michael B. Smith, transl.)
Fertig, Beth – Why cant U teach me 2 read?: three students and a mayor put our schools to the test
Fleming, Thomas J – The intimate lives of the Founding Fathers
Flowers, Benjamin Sitton – Skyscraper: the politics and power of building New York City in the twentieth century
Foer, Jonathan Safran – Eating animals
Garvey, Mark – Stylized: a slightly obsessive history

of Strunk & White’s The elements of style
Gasparino, Charles – The sellout: how three decades of Wall Street’s greed and government mismanagement destroyed the global financial system
Gladwell, Malcolm – What the dog saw: and other adventures
Gordin, Michael D. – Red cloud at dawn: Truman, Stalin, and the end of the atomic monopoly
Gordon, Linda – Dorothea Lange: a life beyond limits
Gordon, Mary – Reading Jesus: a writer’s encounter with the Gospels
Gore, Albert – Our choice: a plan to solve the climate crisis
Hastings, Selina – The secret lives of Somerset Maugham
Heller, Anne Conover – Ayn Rand and the world she made
Hill, Susan – Howard’s End is on the landing: a year of reading from home
Jamison, Kay R. – Nothing was the same: a memoir
Johnson, Paul – Churchill
Jones, Allen – The rat that got away: a Bronx memoir
Kadeer, Rebiya – Dragon fighter: one woman’s epic struggle for peace with China
Karr, Mary – Lit: a memoir

Kersten, Jason – The art of making money: the story of a master counterfeiter
Levitt, Steven D. – Superfreakonomics: global cooling, patriotic prostitutes, and why suicide bombers should buy life insurance
Mann, William J. – How to be a movie star: Elizabeth Taylor in Hollywood
Marton, Kati – Enemies of the people: my family’s journey to America
Matsen, Bradford – Jacques Cousteau
McDonald, Duff – Last man standing: the ascent of Jamie Dimon and JPMorgan Chase
Miller, Arthur I. – Deciphering the cosmic number: the strange friendship of Wolfgang Pauli and Carl Jung
Myers, Richard B. – Eyes on the horizon: serving on the frontlines of national security
Nachman, Gerald – Right here on our stage tonight!: Ed Sullivan’s America
Nicolson, Juliet – The great silence, 1918-1920: living in the shadow of the Great War
Nokes, David – Samuel Johnson
Pakula, Hannah – The last empress: Madame Chiang Kai-Shek and the birth of modern China

Palin, Sarah – Going rogue
Plouffe, David – The audacity to win: the inside story and lessons of Barack Obama’s historic victory
Polk, William Roe – Understanding Iran: everything you need to know, from Persia to the Islamic Republic, from Cyrus to Ahmadinejad
Reisen, Harriet – Louisa May Alcott: the woman behind Little women
Roberts, Sam – Only in New York
Robinson, Jane – Bluestockings: the remarkable story of the first women to fight for an education
Sax, David – Save the deli: in search of perfect pastrami, crusty rye, and the heart of Jewish delicatessen
Senor, Dan – Start-up nation: the story of Israel’s economic miracle
Shawcross, William – The Queen Mother: the official biography
Skidelsky, Robert Jacob Alexander – Keynes: the return of the master
Slater, Michael – Charles Dickens
Sorkin, Andrew Ross – Too big to fail: the inside story of how Wall Street and Washington fought to save the financial system from crisis—and themselves

Specter, Michael – Denialism
Spoto, Donald – High society: the life of Grace Kelly
Stonehill, Judith – New York’s unique & unexpected places
Sultan, Wafa – A god who hates: the courageous woman who inflamed the Muslim world speaks out against the evils of Islam
Taylor, Mark C. – Field notes from elsewhere: reflections on dying and living
Thorpe, Helen – Just like us: the true story of four Mexican girls coming of age in America
Turan, Kenneth – Free for all: Joe Papp, the public, and the greatest theater story ever told
Vaccaro, Mike – The first fall classic: the Red Sox, the Giants, and the cast of players, pugs, and politicians who reinvented the World Series in 1912
Waal, F. B. M. de – The age of empathy: nature’s lessons for a kinder society
Waldbauer, Gilbert – Fireflies, honey, and silk
Weikart, Lynne A. – Follow the money: who controls New York City mayors?
White, Edmund – City boy: my life in New York during the 1960s and ’70s
Wood, Gordon S. – Empire of liberty: a history of the early Republic, 1789–1815

Zuckerman, Gregory – The greatest trade ever: the behind-the-scenes story of how John Paulson defied Wall Street and made financial history
Zuckoff, Mitchell – Robert Altman: the oral biography

FICTION

Ackroyd, Peter – The casebook of Victor Frankenstein
Auster, Paul – Invisible
Bell, Madison Smartt – Devil’s dream
Brown, Sandra – Rainwater
Butler, Robert Olen – Hell
Catton, Eleanor – The rehearsal
Connolly, John – The gates
Erickson, Carolly – The memoirs of Mary Queen of Scots
Gale, Patrick – Gentleman’s relish
Gardam, Jane – The man in the wooden hat
Grodstein, Lauren – A friend of the family
Harris, Robert – Lustrum
Hill, Tobias – The hidden
Howard, Maureen – The rags of time
Irving, John – Last night in Twisted River
Keneally, Thomas – The people’s train
King, Stephen – Under the dome
Kingsolver, Barbara – The lacuna

Kline, Christina Baker – Bird in hand
Levi, Lia – The Jewish husband (Antony Shugaar, transl.)
Lively, Penelope – Family album
Lodato, Victor – Mathilda Savitch
Mantel, Hilary – Wolf Hall
Mayle, Peter – The vintage caper
Myers, Tamar – The witch doctor’s wife
Nemirovsky, Irene – The dogs and the wolves (Sandra Smith, transl.)
Nabokov, Vladimir – The original of Laura (Dying is fun)
O’Faolain, Julia – Adam Gould
Phillips, Caryl – In the falling snow
Powell, Padgett – The interrogative mood
Robbins, David L. – Broken jewel
Rutherford, Edward – New York
Shaara, Jeff – No less than victory
Stott, Rebecca – The coral thief
Theorin, Johan – The darkest room (Marlaine Delargy, transl.)
Thirlwell, Adam – The escape
Tulloch, Jonathan – A winding road

SHORT STORIES

Alexis, Sherman – War dances
de Bernières, Louis – Notwithstanding: stories from an English village
Grisham, John – Ford County
McCorkle, Jill – Going away shoes
Munro, Alice – Too much happiness
Sheers, Owen – White ravens: new stories from the Mabinogion
Van Booy, Simon – Love begins in winter: five stories
Vonnegut, Kurt – Look at the birdie: unpublished short fiction

MYSTERIES

Beres, Michael – Traffyck
Brody, Frances – Dying in the wool: a Kate Shackleton mystery *
Cole, Sam – Cape greed
Cumming, Charles – Typhoon
Delany, Vicki – Winter of secrets
Doss, James D. – The widow’s revenge

Harris, C. S. – What remains of heaven: a Sebastian St. Cyr mystery
Hart, Carolyn G. – Merry, merry ghost
Kandel, Susan – Dial H for Hitchcock: a Cece Caruso mystery
Kerr, Philip – If the dead rise not
Khadra, Yasmina – Dead man’s share (Aubrey Botsford, transl.)
Limón, Martin – G.I. Bones
The lineup: the world’s greatest crime writers tell the inside story of their greatest detectives (Otto Penzler, ed.)
Lorrimer, Claire – Dead reckoning *
McDermid, Val – Fever of the bone *
McFadyen, Cody – Abandoned: a thriller
Manfredo, Lou – Rizzo’s war
Mosby, Steve – Cry for help
Page, Katherine Hall – The body in the sleigh: a Faith Fairchild mystery
Perry, Anne – A Christmas promise *
A prisoner of memory: and 24 of the year’s finest crime and mystery stories (Ed Gorman & Martin H. Greenberg, eds.)
Rimington, Stella – Present danger *
Robb, J. D. – Kindred in death

Seymour, Gerald – The collaborator *
Thurlo, Aimée – Earthway: an Ella Clah novel
** indicates a British mystery*

POETRY

Gerstler, Amy – Dearest creature
Henryson, Robert – The testament of Cresseid and, Seven fables (Seamus Heaney, transl.)
Oswald, Alice – A sleepwalk on the Severn

IN THE STACKS

LITERATURE

Becoming Americans: four centuries of immigrant writing (Ilan Stavans, ed.) · **808.89 B**
Bénichou, Paul – The consecration of the writer, 1750–1830 · **840.9 B**
Fromm, Harold – Academic capitalism & literary value · **801 F**
McDonald, Ronan – The Cambridge introduction to Samuel Beckett · **828.09 B**
Porter, Katherine Anne – Uncollected early prose · **828 P**
A truth universally acknowledged: 33 great writers on why we read Jane Austen (Susannah Carson, ed.; Harold Bloom, foreword) · **823 A**