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   *Text Kathy Acker and images by Michael McClard. Passion, as one expects from Acker, in print.*

   *Limited illustrated first edition paperback. Inside cover black and white illustration art also by Bilbrew. Unusual in the slew of BDSM publications to come out in the 1950s and 1960s Irving Klaw era of bondage pulps. Scarce*

   *Text in Spanish. "Ever since Ximena Pérez Grobet discovered the micropoetess called Ajo, they have collaborated together on this book object. In order to take micropoetic measurements, she attempts, through its form and reading, to introduce the reader to the microworld of the poetess. She uses the rule of a thousand ways to read each poem set in each of the 20 strips and to measure the form of the book and its clever, humorous, contents." [artist statement]*

4. **Anarchy [does not equal] Chaos // Anarchy [equals] A Social Order.** Australia: [Anarchism Australia], nd [circa 1977]. First Printing. Minor edge wear, tape remains at the four corners [text side], else bright and clean. Printed in black on one side, red on the other (black is text only, red is text and image). Approx. 10.25x16.25". Very Good. (#9829) $250.00
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6. Anon [“Mr. Prolific”]. **Collection of The Adventures of a Fuller Brush Man (Tijuana Bibles) Nos. 1-6; 8-10.** [No Publisher], [circa 1936]. First Edition[s]. Single staple bound booklets in original printed paper wraps. Each title is a 3 x 4"; 8-page, and is in good to very good condition. Very Good in Wraps. Original Wraps. (#9124) $275.00


An example of early 20th century Black Americana ephemera, or as some refer to as, 'Negrobilia,' referring to a wide array of materials, including mass advertisements, postcards, tourist souvenirs, etc. with the image of an African American, universally portrayed in a derogatory and racist manner. These items were produced and manufactured by and for white audiences that enhanced the perception of white racial superiority and class status. These type of items are particularly challenging to many communities, however, many scholars and private collectors alike agree these materials are historical records and reminders of the racist history of the United States and should not be invisible. The puzzle postcard is an example of mass produced racial stereotyping, manufactured for an actual mailing enclosure. The instructions on the outside of the mailer state: "Arrange the flaps, by placing one over another, in such a manner as to show ONLY the eleven pickaninnies."


Illustrations depicting bondage, flagellation and sadomasochism at various points of history. Cheeky and slightly offensive.


Contains text and black and white illustrations of various bondage and latex role-play situations. Film producer, Irving Klaw (Bettie Page fame) produced these small edition bondage magazines through Nutrix publications and featured artists like Eric Stanton, Gene Bilbrew, and Adolfo Ruiz.


Issue number 1. All female spanking and bondage fiction illustrated with black and white photographs, featuring mixed race models. Scarce.


These are esoteric essays from prominent and diverse sources from the magickal community of scholars. Artists and authors include Daniel A. Schulke, Francesco Parisi, Sarah Penicka-Smith, Rebecca Beattie, Stuart Inman, Dolorosa, and Aleister Crowley. A visual and provocative collection of word and art.

Austin Osman Spare – One of the most recognized occult artists who elicited emotion under the occult umbrella. In a purposeful way, he left a legacy of existentialism, perhaps the macabre, but more so rather appropriated his psychic and magical abilities to conjure thought-forms to visible and tangible appearances. In this case of artist designer and collector, he’s pretty singular, in that he illustrated the proportion of the power of belief into the sigils, by revealing the clarity of the image, which it evokes. This attests to an unusual example of how invocation manifests into the physical and transferred to print, in this case bookplates. These bookplates were designed between 1904-1945, for such folks as journalist Dennis Bardens and patron Pickford Waller.

What is unusual here, but not out of the ordinary for a magician like Spare, is the element of confrontation. He’s invoked a particular trait about his identity (however self-absorbed that he was) as a magician and infused it graphically into the design. This is something different than we might see in mass commercialization of the bookplate, which normally emphasize the collector, Spare has really infused his own likeness magically. His work illustrates, an aggressive fusion of magick and design.

13. Archive of original designs for Kuhnle's cremation urns, c.1930s. Unique. Collection of 17 designs for cremation urns, housed in cloth clamshell custom box. Exemplary condition, slight curl to mats (watercolors), otherwise bright and no age wear. Twelve designs are original watercolor and five are chromolithographs, hand colored with pencil, interleaved with tissue guards. Each specimen has annotations in pencil. Drawings are 6x10" and mounted on cardboard sheets, 11x16". Very Good+. (#9439) $2,500.00

The original designs are speculated to be prototype designs for funerary urns, cremation receptacles, illustrated by "Kuhnle." All of the illustrations are handcolored, despite part of the collection is original drawings and the other are hand touched chromolithographic prints. No tracings of a designer, company, or individual owner named "Kuhnle." The style is consistent with post-Art Nouveau design for funerary pieces with influences of the Greek and Roman revival period. Annotations to the pieces suggest sketches were created for a larger print catalog or inclusion for prototypes for manufacturing.


Astara was formed in 1951 by Robert Chaney (1913–2006) and Earlyne Chaney (d. 2006), both former Spiritualists. Robert Chaney had been active at Camp Chesterfield and instrumental in the founding of the Spiritualist Episcopal Church. While still a Spiritualist, he became interested in Theosophy and began to profess a belief in reincarnation, which in the 1940s was still a minority idea within Spiritualist circles and which met with strong disapproval at the camp. Earlyne, as a child clairvoyant, had held conversations with a being she called simply “Father.” When she asked his name, he replied “Kut-Hu-Mr.” When she later discovered Koot Hoomi in Theosophical literature, he revealed that he had chosen her for special hierarchical work—to write the teachings of the ancient wisdom for the new age. After resigning from their church in Eaton Rapids, Michigan, the Chaney moved to Los Angeles, California, and began their independent endeavor.

"Astara’s Degree Lessons, the Book of Life, are hailed by many lifelong students of the arcane and mystical as this century’s outstanding achievement in spiritual instruction. The Degree Lessons are available to all members of the public. They have been channeled through Robert and Earlyne Chaney for many years from Masters of the divine hierarchy, teaching ancient Wisdom from the times of the Mystery Schools of antiquity. They light the way for the seeker of spiritual evolution. They reveal the arcane soul pageant from before birth, through life, death and the afterlife." --Astara [online, 2018]

15. Bakunin and Anarchism // a talk by Jack. nd [1976]. First Printing. Light edge wear, else bright and clean. Screenprinted in black ink from stencil. Approx. 17x22" Very Good. (#9831) $250.00

"Liberty without socialism is privilege injustice, socialism without liberty is slavery and brutality." One copy located at University of Sydney; no copy in the US.
16. Berrigan, Daniel; Ely, Timothy [illus]. *Lost & Found [Extra-Illustrated]*. [Montclair, NJ]: Caliban Press, 1989. Limited Edition. Tight, bright, and unmarred. Planetary Collage Standard binding structure, leather over wood boards, rivets, pigments, resin, gold, and wax; Spanish handmade paper with relief block illustrations (as issued) with extensive over painting and embellishment; one extra, unique fold-out drawing in the rear; endpapers are Ely standard graph paper drawn ten line grotesque characters by Bobby Tannam, cut from end grain maple by Tom Mayo. The text has been hand-set & letterpress printed by Jamie Murphy in 18 point Caslon Old Face, supported by newly drawn ten line grotesque characters by Bobby Tannam, cut from end grain maple by Tom Mayo. David O’Kane has supplied two lithographs inspired by the text, editioned by Thomas Franke at Stein Werk Lithography studio in Leipzig. The sheets are printed on 250 gsm French made Venin Cuve BFK Rives mouldmade. The edition is limited to 50 copies, 40 of which make up the standard format, ten accounting for the de luxe. The bindings were executed by Tom Duffy in Dublin. The standard is housed in a cloth covered portfolio, protected inside a slipcase. The de luxe is presented in a clamshell box accompanied by a typographic triptych based on the text. The standard copies are numbered 11 – 50, the de-luxe are numbered 1 – 10. Each copy will be signed by the collaborators. " (from the press


In the summer of 2015, after a conversation about altered books, Ely had the idea of “altering” a copy of Lost & Found. Thus, twenty-seven years after the initial printing, Ely completed a unique, lavishly illustrated copy of the book, significantly altered from the original publication. Unlike the case with many “altered books,” these illustrations are not a violation of the artist’s original intent. Rather, this copy, both book and binding, is an elaboration of Ely’s work as the original illustrator.

As is typical in his life full of strange coincidences, Ely finished binding this very special copy of Lost & Found the day before Berrigan died (d. April 30, 2016).

Timothy C. Ely is a renowned and enigmatic figure in the book world. His one-of-kind manuscript books combine elaborate and often mysterious painted and drawn folios contained within finely crafted bindings, most of which are original designs or variations on traditional binding techniques. Each book carries layers of both materials and meaning. Each drawing and element elicit revelations, personal to each viewer.

“For the last forty years, his books and other works have sprung from a central core of concepts, owing to a fascination with obscure or seemingly incomprehensible forms inspired by science and other projections from the history of the human imagination. This spectrum of inspiration includes such things as fractured and whole grids, cypher systems, landforms and landscapes as viewed from a satellite, and the archeological overlay of some of these sites, especially those containing libraries. Originally, the atlas format provided a platform for the rendering of his complex maps, which gradually gave way to an expanded psychological viewpoint of a larger universal scheme. Much of Ely’s work is richly annotated with his own glyphs he calls “cribriform.” While they are made up of a finite set of marks, they take on many different “meanings” depending on the tool with which they are drawn. He has written and spoken often about the roots and evolution of these drawings. Gestural in their formation, these trailings evoke a sense of language and meaningful discourse. Though suggestive, they never yield up a firm translation.” [A. Schoolman]


Originally produced in 1900, these oracle cards contain several images that were originally seen as vignettes in earlier divination games as well as cartomancy sets devised by Lenormand and her successors, but the whole repertoire has become a distinctive tradition with unique images and a format of its own.


"Vivacious, unconventional, candid, and straight, Helen Branson operated a gay bar in Los Angeles in the 1950s. After years of fending off drunken passes as an entertainer in cocktail bars, this divorced grandmother preferred the wit, variety, and fun she found among homosexual men. Enjoying their companionship and deploiring their plight, she gave her gay friends a place to socialize. Though at the time California statutes prohibited homosexuals from gathering in bars, Helen’s place was relaxed, suave, and remarkably safe from police raids and other anti-homosexual hazards. In 1957, she published her extraordinary memoir "Gay Bar," the first book by a heterosexual to depict the lives of homosexuals with admiration, respect, and love."--University of Wisconsin Press.

21. Bureau, Luc [text], Bureau, Ghislaine [illus]; Fletcher, Erin [binding]. Chemins de Traverse [Design Binding]. Quebec: Les Giboulées, Ghislaine Blais, 2017/2018. Limited Edition. Tight, bright, and unmarred. Bound as a Tue-mouche binding; case constructed with granite Cave Paper and sewn with black linen thread, text block sewn with red linen thread; title is partially gilt in palladium and Caplain gold leaf; remaining lines hand embroidered with cotton thread in dark grey and olive green; cover decorated with pastels in peach, scarlet and raw sienna; dots hand tooled in red foil scattered across both covers and spine. 8vo. [25.1x17.5]. Illus. Numbered limited edition, this being 8 of 45. Fine. Hardcover. (#9766) $1,400.00

"This fractured poem about Quebec explores the contrasting landscape, culture and history. My design for this binding is meant to amplify the overall feeling emotied by these comparisons. The harshness of the textured paper and the metal leaf is a stark contrast from the soft embroidery floss and chalky pastels. The red dots mark locations within Quebec specifically named in the text." [artist statement]

Foreword by Martha Hanna. “Canadian photographer Jack Burman has created a hypnotic collection of still-lifes of long-departed but painstakingly preserved people, specimens and skeletons—dehumanized but very human; flawed but very beautiful. Exquisitely captured, Burman’s post-mortem documentation addresses not only death, but the lives that came before. “The photographs are shocking in their intimacy. With clear respect in their representation, Jack Burman works exquisitately close to their humanity, and to their death.” Taken from the foreword by Martha Hanna, Director of the Canadian Museum of Contemporary Photography.”


Printed in the saturated blue of engineering blueprints, though on heavier stock. Their focus during WW2 had been largely military and, as the war ended, they were apparently brainstorming ideas about product areas... This was, very likely, an engineer's joke that was 'good enough' that the company printed them as a promotional/holiday gift.


Frontispiece and 15 b/w full page plates, plus various illustrations in text. According to Penzer's bibliography, this copy is a first edition in the second issue binding. Wonderful collection of ancient Indian tales, said to have been recounted by a “baital” (mischevious spirit or vampire) to the King Vikram of the title. They were collected and published by famed explorer and author, Sir Richard F. Burton. Overall, a very presentable copy of a book that is increasingly uncommon in any condition.


"Letterpress composed of Albertus type, found lino blocks and handmade zinc blocks. Many passes including metallic dusting and handwork. Black cloth binding with decorative paper boards in trapezoid shape. Printed slipcase. 'Tilt' was the widest-cast net so far, bringing the most disparate things together. I wrote a poem called 'Storm Song' in Canada in 1981, after listening to a sung account of a maritime disaster on one of the Great Lakes (The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald, I think it was). I also had in mind the vertiginous steps of flagstones up to the old cathedral at Whitby and the black flag of anarchy and disturbance. I had found some old mounted lino blocks which were random-sized squares, black flags of different sizes, and some Albertus type, rather beaten up. While in Zürich I walked into the Museum Rietberg and up to a statue of Shiva, with limbs hanging out in funny angles, and lightning in his/her hair, all in a big wheel of fire. I can remember the statue saying to me, "I'm coming into your book." I thought, what the hell has Shiva got to do with this book about a 'Storm Song' and the Whitby steps and black flags? And I thought, well, I'll do as I'm told, as ever. The following morning at breakfast I drew the figure of Shiva, with breasts, and realised it was a puppet that I was going to dismantle. I made a puppet out of zinc pieces; it is disassembled from the right-hand page by repeatedly having a piece of its body nominated by a decorative silver star. Each piece is removed and replaced on the left-hand page. Alongside this cycle of nomination, removal and reposition, the poem accumulates line by line. In this way Shiva is removed from the wheel of fire of the material world on the right, and repositioned and rebuilt in a calmer place on the left. Each new line of the poem is revealed between black flags, the flags being arranged to suit the disposition of the line that they enclose. A decorative border is used to re-affirm the rectilinear nature of the page to counter what I did to the cover, which was to make it tilted and disturbed."
A line in the poem refers to 'the kingly fisher of men'. A Christ or Osiris figure perhaps, but I discovered that Halcyon, the kingfisher, mythically made its nest on stormy waters, thus calming them. This seemed to complete the circle proposed by the poem.

I also discovered, as an act of necessity, an odd process which I have called offset letterpress. To enable a previously printed coloured element to show better through a recently-applied dark solid, I immediately ran the wet page through the press again after having wiped the solid plate clean. This removed ink from where it sat on the underlying image but not from where it was sitting in the virgin paper.

The statue of Shiva that spoke to me had, unbeknownst to me at the time, been a childhood obsession of our Zurich hostess. The statue in the Museum Rietberg was accompanied by a dancing girl, who appears at each end of this book.


"'Our Voices: Perspectives that Challenge the Stigma and Stereotypes about Sex-Work' contains the stories and perspectives of 13 sex workers from across the spectrum of the sex work industry. Collectively, these stories and perspectives aim to diversify and clarify the need for a nuanced understanding of sex work and the members that constitute it. They acknowledge and challenge the misrepresentation, stigma and stereotypes prevalent around sex work.

In addition to this, we have developed our own take on the iconic tart cards as once adorned in London’s phone boxes. We have created around 25 of these, which are symbolic of the imagery of the cards, yet their respective content challenges this norm with quotes from the women that the charity Basis Sex Work Project works with." [from the publisher]

Of particular note are the tart cards printed with #sexworkersays quotations (both printed in the book and also on the accompanying pieces).


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"Being a full and accurate transcription, compiled and amended by the author from the original manuscript of ‘The Book of Magical Quintessence’". Originally published by in 1992 in a limited edition of 300 copies. Azoëtia or 'The Book of the Magical Quintessence' has emerged as one of the most sought-after new magical works and is widely considered one of the foundational texts of the Sabbatic Craft. This is a particularly handsome copy of the 10th anniversary Sethos Edition.


Self-published feminist critique from a woman who felt rebuffed/rejected by the feminist movement. Strong sex-positive/sex work point of view. Illustrated throughout with images of author strolling gothily through a cemetery. "Feminists are no revolutionaries; they are simply members of that class of 'respectable' women who have always despised and exploited the working-class, resented ladies of pleasure, and felt threatened by ladies of 'easy virtue'."


Curtis Paper Co and Tweedweave were both early twentieth century companies. Images appear to be late 1800s through 1920s. 48 b/w images. Early collections of images are difficult to find...this sort of concealed, private presentation is vanishingly scarce.


A book of small stories of death gods from around the world. "Death has always fascinated me because it happens to all of us yet no one talks about it. I wanted to see what other cultures personified death as through myths and legends. The gods in this book are very hushed and for some, even if you speak the name, you’ll be cursed. I wanted this book to be shadows, to be played in the light. I chose a delicate paper so one could see through to the page behind it. The text is in all sorts of shapes because I wanted each story to represent the god being told about. For instance, Sédna is in the shape of drowning, Anubis is his eye, Mac is a pit with someone at the bottom. The borders are all plants, roots, and things found on the earth. Some represent death like the poppy, and the yew tree." [artist statement]

"These stories are told using pen and ink, then tidied up in Illustrator. Photopolymer plates were combined with handset Packard, then letterpress printed and hand colored." [colophon]

That Mulberry Black and Tenju-jo Japanese Kozo. Photopolymer plates from sketches; handset metal type. Signed and numbered by the artist.


According to the artist, this mouthful of a title is meant to be just that... A Coleopterist is, of course, one who studies beetles and a swarm is a gathering of beetles. Gabby has “always been interested in these insects so researching them was a joy. The stories I made up are meant to feel true, and you question if you’ve heard of them before or not. This book is meant to feel precious but also rugged; I chose all the materials to withstand a beating like a field guide... ".
And yet, her exquisite sense of design and subtle and sophisticated craftsmanship is reflected throughout.
The book includes seven stories by Gabby and the rest by Edgar Allan Poe, Charles Darwin, Hans Christian Anderson,
and Aesop’s Fables. “These tales were told to me through whispered words from around the world and researched
extensively through old tomes. I write to you now, my fellow believer in myths and legends, trying to provide the truest
rendition of these stories into your hands. May you find a beetle of your own, and one day, tell me its fanciful story.”
[from the author’s preface notes]
There is a wonderful weight to the book and each leaf is lovely and heavy in hand...the book simply has great ‘feel’.
“The beetles are crafted out of embossing paper templates and photopolymer plates, stylized with a ball point pen and
painted with alcohol ink on aluminum. The pages are Suede-text paper painted with acrylic and methyl cellulose; the
cover is cave paper. Mrs. Eave’s text printed on photopolymer plates. I wrote 7 out of the 12 stories. Letterpress printed
at Springtide Press with Jessica Spring in Tacoma, WA. Dedicated to Eli for our childhood of bugs and stories. ”
[colophon]

35. Crowley, Aleister (here as George Archibald Bishop). **White Stains: The Literary Remains of George Archibald
Bishop, A Neuropath of the Second Empire [Fine Binding]**. Amsterdam: Leonard Smithers, 1898. Limited
Edition/First Edition. Minor shelf/edge wear, minor sporadic foxing, owner bookplate at front pastedown, in fine
binding, else tight, bright, and unmarred. Full black leather binding, 5 raised bands, gilt lettering, teg. 8vo. Numbered
limited edition, this being 3 of 100. Near Fine. Hardcover. (#9154) $7,500.00
"Written by magician and occultist Aleister Crowley and published clandestinely in 1898, White Stains is a collection of
verse tracing the demise of a fictitious poet, George Archibald Bishop. His biography is given in the Preface. Crowley
wrote White Stains as a refutation of the psychiatrist and pioneering sexologist Richard von Krafft-Ebing’s contention
in Psychopathia Sexualis that sexual perversions are a consequence of disease. Crowley’s verse, which is modelled on
Decadent and Symbolist poetry, explores a range of ostensible sexual aberrations. Excerpts from several poems appear
in another clandestine classic, Raped on the Railway (c. 1899)."

Printed in Amsterdam, on hand-made paper, in a limited edition of 100 copies. Many of these are said to have been
destroyed by British customs officials in 1924. It is well known in the trade that most of the run was unnumbered and
most appear so, making this "3" just that much more pleasing.

36. Croze, Austin de [1866-1937]. **La Lumière Magique. [13 poèmes magiques et poème en epilogue]**
papers and media utilised running the gamut from heavy card to glassine via what appears to be brown wrapping paper
and other diverse elements. Bound in later full burnt yellow morocco gilt, black title labels to spine, embellished with
pentagrams to both boards. A beautiful volume, strong, clean and clearly well looked after. Original cover and spine
bound in. Filled with numerous pen, ink and watercolours designs with the unpublished poems in typescript. Near Fine.
Hardcover. (#9640) $25,000.00
To all intents, purposes, appearances and instincts this volume is a detailed artist/author’s mock up or “maquette” for
an occult poetic collection that was never published but that looks very much like (well, clearly is) a follow up to the
legendary Calendrier Magique that de Croze created years earlier in collaboration with Manuel Orozzi and which is
now hailed as one of the greatest and most desirable depictions of the fin de siecle art occult pre-occupation. Intended
far more as an artistic romp through the lush and shadowy landscape of decadent Parisian occult excesses than an
actual handbook for magical practice (despite being issued in a rather tongue in cheek limitation of 777 copies), it’s a
thing of great beauty and renown, and highly sought after by both those who are interested in fin de siecle art, and by
those who are interested in fin de siecle occultism.
This volume, which positively reeks of an attempt to expand upon the Calendrier artistically, has its scope broadened to
encompass practical witchcraft (there is a beautifully illustrated section on the gathering of magic herbs), talismans,
the construction of magic circles, a striking section on the zodiac, an incantation for summoning the devil, a variety of
magical formulas, “Le Chanson du Sabbat” and a poetic piece entitled “Le Vampire” all decorated and embellished in
gorgeous colour and detail. A favourite image has to be a striking full colour illustration of the elements of some
sympathetic magic ritual consisting of pierced portraits, hearts with nails through them, the head of a very unhappy
looking owl and a suspended series of small wax figurines illustrated in detail bearing the names of people with whom
the practitioner clearly has a problem; Andre Gide (depicted during his beard and moustache period) is one of the
suspended voodoo dolls, along with de Fouquieres, two unfortunate ladies named Yvone and Aurel, and a mutilated doll
labelled Sacha, that has already been divested of its hands and feet.
At this point in the 1920’s, Austin de Croze was an enthusiastic and roving food writer, soon to pen his “Plats Regionaux de France,” a deep and sultry homage to the culinary joys of rural France. It is almost certain for his exploits as a food writer that he is better known, but La Lumiere Magique is a clear indication that his interests in the occult and esoteric underside of life had not abated, but merely been simmering for awhile.

One of the most notable things to take away from this volume, aside from its beauty, the obvious fascination of it being a lost book, a work in progress and a previously unconsidered addition to an area of study and fascination that is growing on swift wings; lies in the fact that it highlights just how much of the Calendrier Magique was Austin de Croze, and how much was Orazi. La Lumiere Magique has fewer of the gorgeous and mysterious depictions of lust and occult dissipation seen in La Calendrier (although gaps exist in the text, possibly suggesting that this volume would have been handed over to Orazi for further embellishment if the two of them decided to go all out on duplicating their previous successes), but de Croze’s typography, pen embellishments, watercolours and layouts contain numerous repeated motifs from the previous work, and it requires little more than a couple of Orazi’s shadowy confections to become a fully grown sibling. Wondrous, beautiful and unique.

Typographic assistance by K. McMillian and binding by Lisa Hersey. Letterpress printed on Asian paper, titling redacted by hand in graphite. All photos reproduced from original 35mm film. Bound in the form of a stenographer’s notepad.
The work “deconstructs the life and death-by-suicide of her mother, Dolores Bodkin, an aspiring artist who was forcibly committed in 1963 after attempting to leave her violent and abusive husband. Using language that is factual and at times chilling, the artist plays upon the original meaning of the word secretary—"secret keeper"—to allude to the secrecy and shame that existed in her household, as well as the cultural silencing of women around the experience of sexualized violence. Cummins uses several layers of information to tell this story: her own memories; excerpts from a diary her mother kept for two years before her suicide; a list of roles that Bodkin embodied, all crossed on the final page; and most dramatic of all—photographs taken by her father that span the period 1956-1975. These images, reproduced in ghostly silver ink and retaining film-strip terminology such as "Hypersensitivity" and "Kodak Safety Film," are both beautiful and deeply disturbing. Repeatedly the subject is photographed without her consent: while angry, while sleeping, while contemplating the dilemma of her broken leg. Viewed together, and with the accompanying text, these portraits serve as a documentation of Bodkin’s destruction. By bringing a critical female gaze to bear upon classic examples of the male gaze, Cummins invites her audience to become aware of, and truly see, multiple forms of invisible violence. By the end of the book, an act that many call "senseless" makes perfect sense.” [artist’s statement]

The/rapist was produced by Maureen Cummins in the autumn and winter of 2016/2017, with typographic assistance from Kathleen McMillan, production assistance from Molly Berkson and Sarah Rose Lejeune, and metalwork by Charles Hubert. Initial research for the project was conducted in the Freeman/Watts archive at George Washington University, which holds the collected papers of Walter Freeman and James Watts. Images are from a variety of sources, including the text "Psychosurgery: In the Treatment of Mental Disorders and Intractable Pain" by Freeman and Watts (1950), as well as from found 19th century photoengravings and other sources. All printing work was done at the Women’s Studio Workshop Workshop in Rosendale, New York. A strong commentary on rape and medical history which is perpetuated through the silencing of survivors of sexual assault under the direction of science.

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40. Dahl, Roald; Blake, Quentin (illus); Fletcher, Erin (binder). James and the Giant Peach [Art Binding]. London: Viking Press/Herringbone Bindery, 1995. Reprint/Unique Binding. Tight, bright, and unmarred. Pastedown boards (painted over Hahnemuhle Ingres Smoke); yellow leather edges; Cave Paper endpages, stained textblock edges, brown foil lettering; archival box. 8vo. 156pp. Illus. (b/w plates) Fine in Fine Archival Box. Hardcover. (98655) $450.00

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41. The Daily Citizen [Union Response Wallpaper Edition]. Vicksburg, MS: Daily Citizen, July 4, 1863. First Edition Thus. Light even toning, fold marks (12 panels), cello-tape professionally removed from back lateral folds and folds supported with Japanese mending paper, small bit of cello at top, several small pinholes, printing poorly registered (last line of text at bottom of sheet), else clean and bright. Pale blue floral wallpaper print at rear, black ink text at front. Approx. 11.5x19” Very Good. Broadsid. (#9679) $7,500.00

The most famous edition of the Daily Citizen was its last, June 2 *and* 4, 1863. The publisher, J. M. Swords, was confident that while General Grant had besieged the city for weeks, it would not fall to him and, moreover, that he and the Union would soon be forced into ignominious retreat by the arrival of General Joseph Johnston and the Confederate army. Swords, in an effort to rile up his Vicksburg readership and embolden them to stand strong, issued a snarky rebuke of General Grant in the July 2 edition of the paper:

On Dit.—That the great Ulysses—the Yankee Generalissimo, surnamed Grant—has expressed his intention of dining in Vicksburg on Saturday next, and celebrating the 4th of July by a grand dinner and so forth. When asked if he would invite Gen. Jo. Johnston to join he said 'No! for fear there will be a row at the table'. Ulysses must get into the city before he dines in it. The way to cook a rabbit is 'first catch the rabbit' &c.

When Vicksburg fell, two days later on June 4th, Union soldiers found the June 2 copy still locked in the press, they famously added a small note and printed a handful of a ‘new edition’. The Library of Congress describes the work and its significance as follows:

“The Daily Citizen was edited and published at Vicksburg, Mississippi, by J.M. Swords. Like several other Southern newspapers of the Civil War period its stock of newsprint paper became exhausted and the publisher resorted to the use of wallpaper. On this substitute he printed the following known issues: June 16, 18, 20, 27, 30, and July 2, 1863. Each was a single sheet, four columns wide, printed on the back of the wallpaper. XXXXXOn July 4, Vicksburg surrendered, the publisher fled, and the Union forces found the type of the Citizen still standing. They replaced two-thirds of the last column with other matter already in type, added the note quoted below, and started to print a new edition. Evidently, after a few copies (how many is unknown) had been run off, it was noticed that the masthead title was misspelled as "CTIIZEN." The error was corrected, although the other typographical errors were allowed to stand, and the rest of the edition printed. XXXX "NOTE XXXX July 4, 1863 XXXX Two days bring about great changes, The banner of the Union floats over Vicksburg. Gen. Grant has "caught the rabbit, "he has dined in Vicksburg, and he did bring his dinner with him. The "Citizen" lives to see it. For the last time it appears on "Wall-paper. "No more will it eulogize the luxury of mule-meat and fricassed kitten -- urge Southern warriors to such diet never-more. This is the last wall-paper edition, and is, excepting this note, from the types as we found them. It will be valuable hereafter as a curiosity. "XXXThe prophecy contained in the note has been fulfilled. The original copies are treasured, and there have been over 30 reprints of this issue. Since many copies of the reprints exist, they have little monetary value. The genuine originals can be distinguished by the following tests: XXXX Single type page. 9 1/8 inches in width by 16 7/8 inches in length. XXXX Column 1, line 1, title, THE DAILY CITIZEN, or THE DAILY CITIZEN in capitals, not capitals and lowercase, or capitals and small capitals. XXXX Column 1, line 2, "J.M. Swords,......Proprietor." Notice the comma (or imperfect dot) and six periods. XXXX Column 1, last line, reads: "Them as they would the portals of hell itself." XXXX Column 3, line 1, reads: "Yankee News From All Points. " XXXX Column 4, line 1, reads: "Tremity of the city. These will be defended." XXXX Column 4, paragraph 3, line 7, first word is misspelled "Secossion." XXXX Column 4, article 2, line 2, word 4 is spelled "whistle." XXXX Column 4, last article before Note, final word is printed with the quotation mark misplaced, 'dead' instead of dead". XXXX Column 4, Note, line 1, comma following the word..."
"changes" rather than a period. 

Henrik Drescher, born 1955, is known mainly as a commercial illustrator, working for Rolling Stone, Time, etc., and an illustrator of children’s books, Simon’s Book and McFig and McFly. However, throughout his career he has, and continues to, produce an immense body of work spanning painting, printmaking, book works and installation works. He describes his work as a "junkyard of the imagination." In particular his artist book Comeundone: being a complete and reliable descriptive collection of the perilous explorations and also important discoveries made in the wildest territories upon the face of the earth, encountering savage men, ferocious beasts, poisonous reptiles ... Covering a Period of Twelve Months 1988 - 1989." An aggressive and occasionally discomfiting collection of images by the award-winning Norwegian-born illustrator.

Numbered limited edition, this being 8 of 100. Fine in Fine Metal Box. Stiff Boards. (#9554) $1,750.00


Collection “Le Ballet des Muses”. English translation. "In keeping with what I often do on books of a questionable nature, I use color and suggestive shapes to allude to the content. The freehand dots mimic the illustrations, and the expressive endpapers were marbled by me.” [artist statement]

The pages within vary from simple, light pages, such as a face surrounded by what appear to be tents, to pages seemingly neurotically covered with text or drawings, and to simple, dark pages depicting vortices, piles and skulls. I am particularly drawn to the conical piles used as they take on a representation of a being or a body. Drescher even labels one of such piles "body" and another "visceral." These piles present themselves as bodily masses or bodies without structure. These two cone piles are also interesting, as Drescher has removed the visceral organs from the body and placed them into separate piles, effectively separating the body from its automatic inner workings. Throughout the book many of these signs and symbols repeat to create a strong sense of bodily experience, through their reference to the body and by creating a vortex or hole one could slip into and arrive within the mind of Drescher. Along with symbols whose meaning is created within Drescher, text makes up a large portion of Comeundone. Many of the pages are littered with what appear to be automatic writings, saying things like: murder burgers, mad dogs, barefoot pilgrims, vey dovey. Within these pages Drescher appears to be constructing an almost sketchbook like quality form of the Swiss cross (6 x 6"; 155mm x 155mm). Open-sewn between water-colored boards with pictorial onlay on upper boards. Illustrated throughout. Very fine, enclosed within a similarly shaped sheet metal case, with manuscript label and postage stamp affixed to lid. First edition. Of 100 numbered copies printed letterpress from line engravings onto stenciled handmade paper by Ruth Lingen, signed by the artist. Subtitled in printed facsimile of the artist’s holograph: "Being a Complete and Reliable Descriptive Collection of the Perilous Explorations and also Important Discoveries made in the Wildest Territories upon The Face of the Earth Encountering Savage men, Ferocious Beast[s], and Poisonous Reptiles ... Covering a Period of Twelve Months 1988 - 1989." An aggressive and occasionally discomfiting collection of images by the award-winning Norwegian-born illustrator.


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44. Ely, Timothy C. Flight into Egypt. Colfax, WA: Timothy C. Ely, 2011-12. Unique. Tight, bright, and unmarred. Four drum leaf bindings, illustrated and hand-tooled fabric spines, each with a cutout revealing painted and hand-tooled paper, boards covered in drawings by Ely and hand-tooled by him, hand-made paste paper endpapers by the artist; custom dropback box made and decorated by Ely, with paper spine label. Each volume 33.3cm x 28cm. Fine in Fine Archival Box. Hardcover. (#9851) $50,000.00

A unique set of 4 books, a variant of Ely's famous (and enormous) single volume book Binding the Book: The Flight Into Egypt (1985). This specially commissioned grouping, collectively titled The Flight into Egypt, comprises four volumes: Atum, Fulcrum, River, and Thoth, with a combined total total of 23 fully illustrated spreads.

"The original version of Flight into Egypt is about Ely’s grandfather, the journal he left behind about his mysterious trip to Egypt between the wars, bookbinding, and the geography of Egypt. For much more information about Binding the Book: The Flight into Egypt (unique, 1985), see The Flight into Egypt: Binding the Book (Chronicle Books, 1995). In this version of Egypt, Ely focusses more on the geography, geology, and mythology of Egypt rather than on his grandfather’s travels per se. He also omits explicit allusions to his studies in bookbinding. Each of the four volumes in this group contains a title spread and four or five additional spreads of original art housed in a unique binding. Spectacular images of scarabs, Egyptian deities, geological formations, and star maps feature heavily in this version of Flight into Egypt, all extensively annotated in Ely’s secret writing called ‘cribriform.’ These gorgeous, intricately painted and drawn books are deeply evocative of Egypt on many levels. They are a particularly fine example of Ely’s lush treatment of a beloved subject, yet Ely, as always, leaves plenty of room for the viewer’s imagination to take flight." [AS] [See: Timothy C. Ely: 8 Books (Abby Schoolman, 2016) for more about Ely’s methods.]

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8 spreads of original art by Ely using watercolor, dyes, gum arabic, and other pigments.

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46. Ely, Timothy. Bones of the Book: An Oblong Identity, Colfax, WA: Timothy Ely, 1990-[2015]. Unique. Tight, bright, and unmarred. Planetary Collage Standard binding with hand-sewn hand-dyed Irish linen end-bands and half loose guards, elaborately blind-toolled brown goat skin spine; resin and pigment encrusted boards, boards incorporate six works of art on paper; resin, rivets, paint, ink, and wax; gilt, colored foil, and blind tooling; decorated endpapers by the artist, manuscript and letterpress title page signed and dated by the artist, drawn and painted throughout in ink, dry pigment, watercolor, and graphite. HOUSED in a custom drop back box by the artist. fo [30cm x 44.5cm x 3.5cm] np. [twenty-four double-page spreads. 34 leaves total]. Fine in Fine Archival Box. Hardcover. (#9758) $100,000.00 Bones of the Book is the second in a three-book series that differs significantly from most of Ely’s other work. These books are both biographical and autobiographical. Each honors the important influence of family members in Ely’s life, and combines it with an aspect of bookbinding—the format Ely has chosen to house his artwork throughout his career. In each case, there is also a third narrative that plays a significant role in Ely’s identity as an individual and as an artist. The series began with Binding the Book: The Flight Into Egypt in 1985. Egypt is about Ely’s grandfather, the journal he left behind about his mysterious trip to Egypt between the wars, bookbinding, and the geography of Egypt. For much more information about Binding the Book: The Flight Into Egypt, see The Flight into Egypt: Binding the Book (Chronicle Books, 1995).

In Bones of the Book, the visual narrative combines Ely’s origins (Snohomish, WA, his parents, and their hardware store), and the close relationship between book structure and human anatomy. The third book has yet to be made. Ely plans for it to be about his Uncle Jack and his work as a combat photographer in the Pacific during WWII. In addition to the three-fold, co-mingled story line in Bones, as in all of Ely’s art, there are layers of references drawn from alchemy, mathematics, mythology, geography, and geology.

"In the early part of the last decade of the 20th century, I wished to contemplate my origins, especially the early and all-consuming attraction to the form of the book and how that might have evolved for me. Beyond deep reading, I have
found that the best way to become informed about an event or gather a bit of enlightenment is to make an expressive book.

Bones of the Book began as a thought structure aimed at the skeletal system of the body and of the book, as they seem to me to contain functions that echo each other. I also wanted to fuse the influences of my parents and their choice of livelihood into the book by referencing the location of their hardware store and its impact on what I have chosen to do as an artist. My parents, Everett [b. 1914] and Frances [b. 1918], met at a paper mill where they both worked, then married at the outset of America’s involvement in World War II. In about 1948, they opened a hardware store in Snohomish, Washington (a map in the book drawn from memory is an attempt to locate the store in space), which set the tone for my entire life until they retired in 1978.

The hardware store… I long to travel back through time and view it again, for until I began this contemplation, I was not really aware of how much that family business, the community it served, and the tools and materials it contained affected me. I was introduced to the hardware business around the age of 11, not knowing how connected to the arts of the book this would be. It was to be my first real training in the process of building things, and, coupled with the local library where I practically lived when I wasn’t at the store, really became the focus of my interests. When I first began to work this out, I came to believe that there was an inextricable link between what influenced me, and how I came to know the craft of making a book. There seemed to be in place an existing gnosis which acted as both a guide and a set of techniques—a skeletal anatomy was at hand.

I began drawing bones in graduate school after a trip to a forbidden beach at the mouth of the Hoh River yielded up a hoard of bird, fish, and crab remains. Though the Hoh Reservation was off limits, some cigarettes gave us entry. That same summer a second pile of bones from draft horses in central Washington gave me a new scale. Then, my Uncle Jack, living in Alaska, would provide the third leg of the bone ‘tripod’ of visual clues by sending me boxes of bones from a lonely beach near Hoonah, Alaska. These bones would provide both visual inspiration and material for inks. (Bone black ink is especially bluish and potent!)

Bones of the Book reflects both my identity as a maker of things, and bones as structural supports, and how that metaphor maps itself onto the cultural object/artifact of the book. As parts of the book traditionally have names of body parts to identify the book terrain, this seems apt. Books have a dorsal structure—a spine—and just as in a humanoid, if this is damaged the book is compromised. A book has a head and tail, and sometimes this head is crowned in gold, gilded, or otherwise given an ornamental treatment. As the names of a book’s parts and their function lend connection to bones and anatomy, so also does the chosen structure of this book. The search for both an appropriately robust and workable binding, and one that properly expresses my artistic intentions, provided a series of opportunities to examine a sampling of medieval books that satisfy these requirements. The structural skeleton of Bones of the Book is supported by a continuous membrane of aged gampi, a Japanese paper possessed of astonishing properties. This paper forms a long, double fold along each folio and is known as a “half loose” guard. Being somewhat impenetrable to adhesive, this paper reduces the friction of the folio so that it facilitates, without drag, the mobility of the book structure. Put simply, it opens well without adding stress to the binding. In tandem with the sewing supports, cotton textile, and tissue as paper reduces the friction of the folio so that it facilitates, without drag, the mobility of the book structure. Put simply, it opens well without adding stress to the binding. In tandem with the sewing supports, cotton textile, and tissue as metaphoric muscle mass, the book begins to resemble an intelligent and projective body. The Doctor said “It’s alive!"

Bones of the Book was finished as of June 11, 2015. It puts to rest and completes a long examined set of ideas, and its own initial structural challenges provoked a method of working that I can see to have a multiplicity of future uses."

[Artist statement, T. Ely/ July 2015/ Colfax, WA]

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Some months ago, several books on drawing projection systems came into my collection. Just as with my bookbinding collection, each book contributes some glimmer of insight or a method of describing an object or idea in the 4-D space in which we exist. This is why I collect.

I have posed a problem to drafters, engineers and artists on/off for over 15 years—the problem being how to describe lines on a warped surface, a sphere to be specific. No answers were forth coming. Finally, in one of the books, was the answer I sought.

Isometria begins to describe the solution. The paper of the book, in places barely apprehensible, locates an isometric expression. Over this, “a warped surface” is delineated and abstraction of an idea is newly formatted. Isometria is part of the TXC* system of experimental tomes. It is made up of essentially one elaborate drawing, housed between carefully articulated endpapers which most aptly demonstrate my theory of dust and its application. The book paper is deep treated with scoring and gelatine chemical preparation before being surfaced with the formal drafting materials of my craft. [Timothy C. Ely, Colfax, WA 2005]

“*TXC* refers to any experiment either in structure or system and usually lies outside the conventions in which I work. These books are usually made to test fly a solution to a vexing problem."

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Introduction by Dennis Sanders. A wonderful collection of images of gay life in the Seventies. Richly illustrated with hundreds of images (mostly b/w) celebrating all aspects of the gay life. An underrated masterpiece.


Janet Farrar (b. 1950) was initiated into Alexandrian witchcraft by the tradition's founders, Alex and Maxine Sanders in the early 1970s. She met Stewart Farrar (1916 – 2000) in the group, and the two went on to marry and co-author a
number of books on witchcraft and modern neo-paganism. This is the "first edition thus" - in two volumes - of the work, published by Herman Slater of Magickal Childe in 1984. The set reproduces the text of two books which were originally published separately under different titles by Robert Hale in the UK: the first volume as "Eight Sabbats for Witches" and the second as "The Witches' Way."


"The idea stems from wanting to create tiny works of art from the smallest pieces in our metal type collection as well as our longtime passion for music. Operating like an old school record club, subscribers get a new 2x3" poster each month featuring a different musical style (12 in all). In January the poster ships with a reel box which houses all of the posters. "[Statement from the press]

The complete set also includes a set of temporary tattoos, a retro futuristic letterpress print from P22 Analog, and a flexidisc by John and Mark of The CoTrafts.

52. Fletcher, Erin [binding]. **Goose Eggs & Other Fowl Expressions [Miniature design binding].** Maryland: Rebecca Press, 1991/2014. First Edition. Tight, bright, and unmarred. Dorfner Binding; spine covered in Mauve buffalo skin; veneer covered boards with Karelian Birch veneer tabs; sewn on snakeskin tapes; silsuede fly leaf made to handmade Katie MacGregor paper; leather wrapped head-bands; hand painted edges in teal gouache mix. Book housed in a leather spine clamshell box sided up with silver book cloth; trays covered in handmade Katie MacGregor paper and lined with Silsuede; box stamped in teal with book title. 32mo [5.9x6.8x1.5cm]. Fine in Fine Archival Box. Hardcover. ($9765) $750.00

"This miniature book is filled with quirky adages that incorporate a variety of fowl species. The materials chosen for this binding were greatly inspired by the vibrant colors used in printing the text. The four segments of veneer make the shape of a goose egg." [artist statement]


"A remarkable jeu d'esprit, in the scatalogical manner of Swift and his imitators, and persistently attributed to the eminent English politician Charles James Fox, whose good-humored dissipations were notorious. This copy is printed on vellum; the printed notice of limitation on the verso of the title-page reads, "Of this volume fifty copies only are printed," to which an early hand has added in pencil, "on paper, and 2 on vellum." The text begins with a facetious dedication to the Lord Chancellor (Lord Thorlow): "I have heard, from several of your brother peers, that your lordship farts, without reserve, when seated upon the woolsack, in a full assembly of nobles. "A following note ("anticipation") informs the curious reader that "the following singular essay was written, and published, for a considerable wager." The essay itself, called "An Essay upon Farting," is addressed to the Secretary of the Agricultural and Philosophical Societies in an unnamed place, and is dated Moncuit, December 23, 1783. There follows a mock-scholarly discussion of five kinds of exhalation, the sonorous and full-toned, or rousing fart, the double fart, the soft fizzing fart, the wet fart, and theimuth wind-bound fart. The essay is signed "Van Trump," and is followed by a short postscript, and a longer appendix, with its own fly-title, called, "After thoughts upon farting; shewing its great utility: with curious anecdotes of eminent farters." The printing history of this text is obscure. At the Pennsylvania Historical Society is what appears to be a unique copy dated 1787, with viii(1), 39 pp., "printed and sold by all the booksellers in town and country. "At Harvard is another edition, called "An Essay upon Farting," with the same pagination, and curiously dated "MDCCCLXVII; " this pamphlet was printed in London for G. Leader of Dover, "and sold by all the booksellers in town and country under the title of An Essay upon Wind." Leader was in fact a bookseller in Dover, and his name appears in at least a dozen imprints from 1786 to 1799. Of the present edition the ESTC (01/04) records three copies (O; CU-SB, NSy-U), to which OCLC adds one more (CI1, but "52 pp.", and NUC possibly a fifth (IEN). None of these is reported to be on vellum. The ESTC dates this printing ca. 1800; it is certainly no earlier, as the new-style "S" is used throughout; very likely it was produced before Fox's death in 1809. An early manuscript note on the front flyleaf reads as follows: "Of this volume written by Charles Fox for a wager, and dedicated to Lord
Chancellor Thurlow, only fifty copies were printed on paper, & two upon vellum. 2312. Bohn's English Catalogue. 1829. Hibbert's sale five pounds.” George Hibbert's large library was in fact sold in 1829, though I believe there were 12 copies on vellum (as we have sold to recently and know the location of at least 3-4 in institutional clients. Inserted at the front is a portrait of Fox, dated 1798; later bookplates of Frederic R. Kirkland and Ray Norr. Kirkland was a noted collector who's collection was sold by Parke-Bernet Galleries in 1962. Norr was also a well known collector (who's bookplate was create by one of the greats of the period), though he is best known as a whistle blower in the tobacco case.


Circle Sanctuary was founded in Madison, Wisconsin, in 1974. Its name, logo, and focus are conceived by Selena Fox. This small gathering was a Yule celebration hosted by Selena Fox and Jim Alan in their home in Madison, Wisconsin and includes Pagans from the USA and UK. Selena Fox is a fully ordained Wiccan priestess, interfaith minister, environmentalist, pagan elder, author, and lecturer in the fields of pagan studies, ecopsychology, and comparative religion.

Circle Sanctuary is an internationally recognized and legal Neo-Pagan church, the first in the United States to have interfaith and Wiccan earth-based belief systems recognized by the US government. This booklet is an updated supplement to the previous editions of the Circle Guide to Wicca & Pagan Resources, the annual sourcebook for Circle Network. Contains for communities, groups, covens, and events around the world. Also includes periodicals and newsletters for pagan networking and significantly for LGBTQ pagans to locate resources. Extremely scarce.


Pagan Spirit Journal is the literary and information publication to come out of the Pagan Spirit Gathering, also known as PSG, one of America’s oldest and largest pagan camping festivals. Organized and sponsored by Circle Sanctuary, PSG is a Pagan village community immersion experience that takes place during Summer Solstice week each year and that continues year round through social media and other forms of interpersonal communication. Starting in 1980, PSG was an outgrowth of pagan networking and seasonal celebrations that Selena Fox, along with others involved with Circle Sanctuary, began doing in the 1970s. Pagan Spirit Gathering also is rooted in values prevalent in mid twentieth century social movements for peace, environmental preservation, equality, liberty, and justice for all. The first Pagan Spirit Gathering started as a weekend Summer Solstice festival on private land near Sparta, Wisconsin. Although small, with only ninety people, this prototype PSG brought together pagans from many paths and many places from across the United States and beyond to create and live in a pagan village in a natural location. The gathering continues to this day. The journal is testimony and insight into pagan belief, network support, and value systems emphasizing social justice, human rights, and respect for the natural world. Letters and articles by Starhawk, Rev. Selena Fox, and Raymond Buckland.

56. Frech, Karl Hugo. Ex Libris "Occultis" bookplate collection. Bratislava, Slovakia, c.1922. First Edition. Collection of 12 large handpress printed "Occult" Ex-Libris bookplates, of which 8 are signed by the artist and 3 bear his address stamp on verso. Bratislava, Slovakia, 1922. Various dates (early 1920s), various sizes, ranging from 177 x 140 mm down to 113 x 75 mm. Printing processes vary: some are woodblocks printed in b/w or color, another hand-colored aquatint (?); four Exlibris pasted onto green card. Very good. Unbound. Very Good+. (#9660) $1,250.00

Excellent series of highly original, signed Exlibris prints by painter and graphic illustrator Karl Hugo Frech, [Karl Naughty] (1883-1945). While Frech's are probably the most notable Slovakian bookplates ever produced, they remain almost completely unstudied and unknown. Frech's bookplates received numerous commissions from many important figures of Bratislava (formerly Pressburg), among them being Dr. Ovidius Faust, archivist and museum director and Karl Benyovsky. Incredibly, in bookplate scholarship, Frech’s name is virtually unrecorded.

Frech was born in Stuttgart, Germany. He studied lithography at G.F. Schreiber Art Institute in Esslingen, and between 1903 and 1905 he attended the Academy of Applied Arts in Stuttgart, where he later worked as an illustrator and
graphic artist. In 1914 he married and moved to Bratislava (formerly Pressburger), where he spent most of his life. He made his living as a painter and a graphic artist; he was also member of the Pressburger Kunstverein. Although he contributed illustrations to the Pressburger Zeitung newspaper and numerous books, his exhibits designs are particularly prolific due to the occult and esoteric themes and unusual size. While bookplates are generally reflections of the unique eccentricities of collectors, the occult themes in the art are reflected of the Occult Revival and metaphysical interest in the Art Nouveau periods. There is scarce literature published in English to support any of Frech’s individual interest in the occult; however, given the time period and clients, it is possible the commissions were specific. The symbolism in the bookplates range from esoteric, Hermeticism, Eastern philosophies, Mesmerism, and astrology.

Frech died on 27 July 1945 while trying to escape from a camp for displaced Germans near the Austrian town of Steyr. Sadly, many of the books in Dr. Faustus’ personal library, assuming with his bookplates were looted and destroyed during World War II.


An unusual art binding by S. Richards, who loves food nearly as much as binding. In this case, the result is a wonderful portrait of the author as a roasted chicken.


“Violent Femmes” was the debut album by Violent Femmes and one of the defining albums of the era. Recorded in July 1982, the album was released by Slash Records on vinyl in April 1983. Gordon Gano wrote most of the songs for the album while still in high school in Milwaukee Wisconsin. It was the band’s most successful album going platinum eight years after its release. The album achieved what is believed to be a unique fee buy going gold, four years after release, without having made an appearance on Billboard’s top 200 album chart. Rolling Stone ranked the album Number 22 on its list of the 100 Greatest Albums of All Time. [They were discovered by James Honeyman-Scott (of The Pretenders) on August 23, 1981, when the band was busking on a street corner in front of the Oriental Theatre, the Milwaukee venue that The Pretenders would be playing later that night. Chrissie Hynde invited them to play a brief acoustic set after the opening act.] The letter and lyrics sheet, dated 2/23/83 and all in Gano’s hand, addresses a handful of major issues to be resolved before the album release a couple months later. Notably, it includes the densely written sheet of all the song lyrics that was printed on the LP sleeve included with the debut album. The letter goes into detail regard reproduction of the sheet and addresses several other issues (e.g. the quoting of a Muddy Water’s song in Gone Daddy Gone). This is the original mss which launched over a million copies and helped shape a genre.


"Charles Gatewood's world is not for everyone. These photographs, themselves quite understated, present some of the most gruesome and irresistible body piercings, tattoos, and alternative characters. Gatewood's writings provide a vivid travelog insight into the lives of Annie Sprinkle, Sailor Sid, and Mrs. Gatewood. " [publisher] "Gatewood's work is freakish, earthy, blunt, erotic--most of all, terribly and beautifully alive. " [A.D. Coleman, New York Times] Nineteen negatives for the various photographs including nearly all of the 'major' images (including bondage bear). Forty loose sheets composed of the pasteup for the the book. Includes original envelopes laid in.

names on endpaper. (Dust jacket foxed slightly and some edge wear, small tear at top, not price clipped). Overall, a
lovely copy in dust jacket. Bound in black cloth with gilt titling to spine. Large 8vo. xvi + 227 pages. Black and white
illustrations, includes frontispiece, appendices, and index. Near Fine in Very Good DJ. Hardcover. (#9534) $175.00
‘A distillation of half a lifetime's observation by a practicing physician, and includes sections on the witch doctor in
practice, the food, dietary habits, hygiene, important ceremonies and children of Shona people.’

Fine press in near fine condition. Staple bound full color risograph, in edition 130 of 215, signed and dated by the artist,
author. Unpaged, digest size. Near Fine in Wraps. Staplebound. (#9733) $30.00
Charles Glaubitz lives in Tijuana, Mexico. Born from a German-American father and mother from Los Mochis, Sinaloa,
Mexico. His work has been recognized by American Illustration, Communication Arts, How Magazine, Print Magazine.

Fine press in near fine condition. Staple bound full color risograph, in edition 99 of 200, signed and dated by the artist,
author. Unpaged, digest size. Near Fine in Wraps. Staplebound. (#9803) $30.00

Ages, Who Have Claimed for Themselves, or To Whom had been Imputed by Others, the Exercise of Magical
design to spine with raised bands, modern marbled boards, marbled end papers, tight, bright and unmarred, slight
bumped corners, yet text is crisp and clean, an exceptional copy. 16mo, x, 282 pages, includes decorative printer's mark
and armorial bookplate of Francis Brooks. Very Good+. Quarter calf. (#9460) $2,400.00
William Godwin (1756-1836) was the famous radical journalist and author, husband of the feminist Mary
Wollstonecraft, father-in-law of Percy Bysshe Shelley, and father of the author of "Frankenstein," Mary Wollstonecraft
Shelley. Lives of the Necromancers was the final book written by Godwin and summarizes paranormal legends from
western and middle eastern history. Although Scott's "Letters on Demonology and Witchcraft (1830) had prepared the
public; Godwin's work was not widely reviewed. A long article, probably by David Brewster, in the "Edinburgh Review"
lamented Godwin's failure to furnish 'any clue through the intellectual labyrinth of Necromancy'... When it appeared in
America a year later the master of the occult Edgar Allan Poe, however, took the opportunity in the "Southern Literary
Messenger" to say that Godwin's name meant excellence and that his style was finished and graceful. The work was
sufficiently in demand to be reprinted in New York... and in London in 1876." (Marshall). A definitive history of
witchcraft and supernatual beliefs respectively, although critical of the Church's proceedings on the treatment of
people prosecuted for witchcraft and a rationalist view of necromancy. Scarce edition rebound from the publisher's
cloth.

Hardcover. (#9789) $100.00
Eden Gray was the professional name of Priscilla Pardridge, an American actress, and writer on the esoteric meanings
of Tarot cards and their use in fortune-telling. In the 1960s, through her books, Gray had an integral part in the
creation of the contemporary interest in esoteric Tarot in general, and the Waite-Smith Tarot deck. She also owned an
occult bookstore in the 1950s called Inspiration House Publishing. She was adamant about teaching introductory tarot
reading to young audiences.

Cover art by Caniglia and book design by Larry Roberts. "Like every other grad student at Miskatonic University, Owen Merrill knows about the Great Old Ones, the nightmare beings out of ancient legend that H.P. Lovecraft unearthed from archaic texts and turned into icons of modern fantasy fiction. Then a chance discovery—a lost letter written by Lovecraft to fellow Weird Tales author Robert Blake—offers a glimpse into the frightful reality behind the legends, and sends Owen on a desperate quest for answers that shatters his familiar world forever.

As he flees across the witch-haunted Massachusetts landscape toward the mysterious seaside town of Innsmouth, Owen finds himself caught up in a secret war between the servants of the Great Old Ones and their ancient enemies, a war in which yesterday’s friend may be tomorrow’s foe and nothing is as it seems. The history of the world is not what he has been taught—and the tentacles reaching out for him from the shadows of a forbidden past may hold not only his one chance of escape from the terrifying forces closing around him, but the last hope of life on Earth..." (publisher’s note)


Political poster featuring a famed image of Lee Harvey Oswald standing with two Marxist newspapers in one hand and a rifle in the other. The image has been altered to include "Militant" and "Worker" written on the papers and Oswald's head has been replaced by Lyndon B. Johnson. Across the bottom, in block letters, it reads, "Gun Control Begins in at the White House." Interestingly 'strong' political piece for the day and proof that all that is old is new again...


"This propaganda poster was issued by artists and writers united in protest against U.S. government policies under President Richard M. Nixon, who was elected in 1968. In 1972, Nixon ran for re-election, defeating the Democrat George McGovern. The Nixon campaign slogan was "Four More Years." This poster subverts the slogan, asking instead whether Americans really wanted four more years of Nixon presidency. Printed over Ron L. Haeberle's well-known and disturbing image of the My Lai massacre in Vietnam, the message creates a stark association between controversial American foreign policy and savage brutality. The image supplies its own answer to the leading question, implying that four more years under Nixon's administration could lead to further violence and subjugation. Later in 1972, Nixon's Watergate scandal emerged, eventually forcing the President to resign." (V&A description) A very handsome copy of a remarkably strong piece of political commentary/protest.


Ursula Southall, better known as Mother Shipton, is said to have been an English soothsayer and prophetess. The first publication of her prophecies, which did not appear until 1641, eighty years after her reported death, contained a number of mainly regional predictions, but only two prophetic verses – neither of which foretold the End of the World, despite widespread assumptions to that effect. One of the most notable editions of her prophecies was published in 1684. It states that she was born in Knaresborough, Yorkshire, in a cave now known as Mother Shipton’s Cave which, along with the Petrifying Well and associated parkland.

This essay about Mother Shipton is a synopsis of the text of the earliest Mother Shipton prophecies, which primarily concern events from the reign of Henry the Eighth and a critical analysis and scrutiny of her existence. While much scholarship is doubtful of her actual existence, her status as a folklore emblem connects perception and participatory culture within witchcraft history. She is also an empathetic character in the 17th century to challenge class and privilege by reimagining power at the hands of a woman. There is also considerable thought of the likeness and influence of Mother Shipton to the Punch and Judy characters of the 18th century.

"A 10-part zine series telling Star’s short stories of survival sex work over the course of two years." [From the author]


"This book represents the 50 revolutions I’ve taken around the sun and my thoughts on motherhood. The book includes: a Mapping Motherhood print with fifty rings, each containing a handwritten word; and a miniature Mother Tree with two single strands of crocheted mother’s milk." [artist statement]


"An alphabet book in the form of a unique structure with a flexible hinge that allows it to be set up in a variety of ways. Each panel features an alphabet letter cutout that casts a shadow onto a second layer of handmade paper. The letters are in the Arts and Crafts style font designed by Dard Hunter, often referred to as the father of hand papermaking in 20th Century America." [artist statement]


"Papercut illustrations by Beatrice Coron, watermarks by Helen Hiebert, letterpress printing by Tom Leech, binding and clamshell box by Claudia Cohen. Interluceo means to shine or gleam be- tween, to be transparent, to let light through gaps. The viewer is invited to enter into the mystery of light and color as a story unfolds in the pages of this book." [artist statement]


"A collaboration with Karen Kunc (signed by both artists and numbered). LandEscape began with drawings twisted (liter- ally) in string that established a collaborative landscape realized over two years of conversation and trust. Helen Hiebert created watermarked illustrations in an artist-made cotton/abaca pa- per, and Karen Kunc responded by producing a woodcut im- age that interacts with the watermarks, fitting into spaces, over- lapping, making edges, and saturating them with color." [artist statement]


"After viewing (and handling) the 1570 edition of Euclid’s Elements of Geometry at the Denver Public Library, I was drawn to Chapter 11, which focuses on polyhedra. I am intrigued by the many ways in which a flat sheet of paper can transform from two- into three-dimensions. I was drawn to the tiny flaps glued into the pages of the old copy of Euclid’s Elements, which allow the reader to explore the physical relationships between lines, angles and surfaces." [artist statement]


First printing consisted of 12 copies in wraps, really done as a proof of concept/limited edition. This is, effectively, the
first trade edition. Blair spent 3 years traveling around the country photographing and interviewing sex workers...this is the embodiment of that work. She leverages a variety of short, pointed questions to explore the day to day life of those who work in in the too-often marginalized world of sex work.


Art binding by Julie H.B. Stackpole, a fine hand bookbinder based in mid-coast Maine. After getting a BA at Kirkland College, Julie Beinecke Stackpole studied bookbinding with Kathryn Gerlach in Vermont, in Ascona Switzerland, at the Camberwell School of Arts & Crafts in London, and with Roger Powell in England. She established her studio, the Merlicorn Bindery, on Nantucket in 1975, which she moved to Maine in 1985. She specializes in one-of-a-kind creative fine binding, all aspects of rare book restoration, and general hand bookbinding. A elegant example of this binder's earlier work.


"Asterisms represents the phoneme systems of the ten most widely spoken languages in the world, which represent the first languages of almost half of the world’s population (3.4 billion people). The layouts of the International Phonetic Alphabet chart are paired with notations used in modern astronomical charts to create new diagrams of linguistic sounds as constellations, with star size correlated to the sound’s frequency. Each language is given a consonant chart and a vowel chart, from which imagined constellation-like shapes are represented in woodcuts. Taken together, the twenty charts in this book explore what the most widely spoken languages would look like, if charted in the heavens."

[artist statement] "Asterisms was designed, printed, and bound by Sarah Hulsey in Somerville, MA in 2017. The text was printed from Lutetia metal type, except on the enclosed IPA charts which were printed from polymer plates using ITC Stone Sans Phonetic digital type. The images were printed from woodcuts and polymer plates. Both text and images were printed on a Vandercook 15-21 press. The papers used are Zerkall Book, Zerkall Ingres, and St. Armand handmade paper."

[Colophon] This book represents the phoneme systems of the ten most widely spoken languages in the world, in descending order of population of first-languages speakers. In three cases, the population figures are based on a macrolanguage, which is a group of closely related individual languages that are treated in some contexts as a single language. These three are Chinese, Arabic, and Lahnda (a macrolanguage of Pakistan that includes Western Punjabi and Saraiki, among others). Figures are drawn from SIL’s Ethnologue website. The title and the idea for the woodcut imagery is based on the notion of an asterism as a shape that can be identified among the stars, as opposed to the modern definition of a constellation as a defined region of the sky. While the star symbols are based on modern scientific star charts, the asterism shapes are inspired by older, more primal ways of tracing patterns in the sky.


64 of the cards represent the traditional I-Ching Hexagrams. The other 16 cards are divided into two repeating sets of 8, each of which depicts an I-Ching style trigram. By drawing two trigram cards, the reader can generate another I-Ching hexagram; the correspondences are detailed in a cross reference table included with the cards. Scarce.


A benefit for a coalition organized to address the needs and welfare of street prostitutes in San Francisco. Not in OCLC.

Concrete poetry and women’s rights and equality inspired artist book. Feminist think piece with thoughtful text forms. “This book is based on a study of 124 women stenographers by psychologist Margaret Sidney Quayle, using pieces of text from the following titles...” [from the colophon]


Punctuated Weaving is a suite of five letterpress sheets by Alexandra Janezic. Inspired by the process of weaving, each print is composed of individual lines of punctuation repeated to create a sense of woven work, textually.

“Punctuated Weaving looks to imbue letterpress printing with a meditative property, to make a ‘drawing’ of the physical time spent printing. Static lines of metal type are constructed to create images imitating the irregularities of fabric. The prints serve as a timeline of the artist’s decisions and movements, emphasizing the repetition involved in creating a series of multiples.”

Each line of type is printed individually, thus each sheet in the series required at least 40 press runs. All aspects of design and construction of the piece were performed by the artist (i.e. designing, printing, binding). Columbia Rare Book & Manuscript Library Purchase Award.

“Alexandra Janezic is a visual artist and letterpress printer. Her letterpress work focuses on the intersection between text and image using metal typefaces. Her most recent work is a series of letterpress printed punctuation ‘weavings,’ reminiscent of the warp and weft in woven textiles. She received a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Kansas State University and her Masters of Fine Arts degree in Book Arts from the University of Iowa. She currently resides in Iowa City, Iowa.” (from the artist)


Japanese matchbook art is a remarkably broad and deep area, comprised of literally thousands of unique works created over decades. It comes as no surprise that during WWII, the Japanese government leveraged the power/popularity of the matchbook art phenomena as a propaganda tool. Collected here and professionally mounted and framed are 5 strong examples:

1. Japanese propaganda matchbox with a caricature of FDR
2. "This image from a matchbox cover, depicts United States President Franklin D. Roosevelt--dressed in rags, on a raft in the ocean, and holding onto the U.S. flag--in the view of a Japanese submarine periscope. Shanghai, China, between 1943 and 1945" [From the USHMM special exhibition Flight and Rescue.]
3. Japanese planes flying in formation over the U.S. and British flags, with the Japanese flag rising in triumph. Shanghai, China, between 1943 and 1945.
4. Japanese propaganda matchbox with a Japanese sword piercing the US flag
5. Japanese bombers soaring over the Pacific Ocean, Japanese flag hanging from a bayoneted rifle at the left.

83. Johnson, F.M. [photographer]. "Treed Coon, or His First Photograph" Advertisement Trade Card. Hartford, Conn.: F.M. Johnson studio, [c. 1910-1920]. Printed photographic advertisement trade card in good condition, shows some age wear. Sepia toned. Very Good+. (#9432) $75.00

From the studio of F.M. Johnson, leading artist in photography and general portraiture -- Verso. Image shows young black child in front of a tree, title suggests racial insensitive time period. Photo by E.N.S.


Includes detailed listing of the Demons of the Goetia with accompanying sigils. First English language edition of this noted work. "Qabalah, Qliphoth and Goetic Magic is a unique practical introduction to magic. The main thread of the book is the exploration of the Qliphoth and the dark mysteries which have for so long been a repressed part of western
esotericism. Instead of ignoring and denying the dark side, the author reveals, step by step, how man can get to know his Shadow and, through this, reach a deeper knowledge of the Self. By exploring and not by repressing the Shadow it can be transformed from a destructive force into a creative power. The book deals with the problem of evil, the symbolism behind the fall of Lucifer and man's creation process according to Qabalistic philosophy. The theories that are presented in this book are also linked to practice. Several examples of rituals, meditations, magical exercises and occult correspondences can be found within. Qabalah, Qliphoth and Goetic Magic contains more than one hundred demonic sigils and pieces of art that were created specifically for this book. A unique collection of all the sigils from the classic grimoires Lemegeton: The Lesser Key of Solomon and the infamous Grimorium Verum are also included. Thomas Karlsson has studied and practiced the occult sciences for more than fifteen years and is the founder of the esoteric order Dragon Rouge. " [publisher's statement]


86. Keneally, Zebadiah. **Lunch is Very Important: All the Secrets to Life You Never Knew You Knew.** HamburgerVampire, 2014. First Printing. Bright and clean. Printed cards; matching box. 5x3.5” np. Illus. (b/w plates). Fine. Loose Cards. (#9169) $225.00


the sun, the sun sewed it up from the inside with the moon's bowstring. Now they weren't cold anymore, they warmed
sew me up again from the inside." The moon took his knife, he cut open the body of this object, he crawled inside with
blowing icily, moon and sun were afraid of freezing. The object they were riding on said: "Cut open my body, get inside,
they could not make. It was in the winter, moon and sun were riding south, snow was falling, it was cold, the wind was

This time there were no railways, people traveled through the land on great objects. These objects were tame, they could
dividing words according to syllables. Printed with yellow ink on yellow paper the text at first sight seems more like a

type face as a vehicle for content and type face as pure shape or texture. Design, handset,

letterpress and bookbinding by Ines von Ketelhodt. 88 pages, bound in printed paper over boards. H.C. Artmann: At

pattern, but it is still legible:

farbwechsel: weiß (color change: white) In Eastern cultures white is the color of mourning and death. The white
volume contains photographs and headlines about the tsunami disaster that struck Japan on March 11, 2011. They
were taken from international online newspapers and were collected from March 11, 2011 to March 11, 2012. The
selection includes many different voices from various countries and languages. The photographs (polymer plates) and
the hard set dates (72 point condensed Block) were printed in letterpress with white ink on white paper. In spite of the
different white shades of paper and printing ink, the monochrome white/white print result is difficult to read. Design,
letterpress and bookbinding by Ines von Ketelhodt. 36 pages, bound in printed paper over boards with printed linen
survivors as quake toll rises 13. März 2011: Neue Explosionen am AKW Fukushima 14 March 2011: Japan battles with
radiation leak 15. März 2011: Atomkraft auf Stand-by: Vorübergehende Stilllegung deutscher AKWs 16. maaliskuu
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Radioattivitá nel mare di Fukushima – Nuove scosse, 21 mila tra morti e dispersi 11 abril 2011: Japão eleva alerta
nuclear para mesmo nível de Tchernobil 11 mayo 2011: Casi 15.000 muertos confirmados por el seísmo de hace dos
meses en Japón 11. juni 2011: Tusinder demonstrerer mod a-kraft i Japan 11 july 2011: Japão fará testes de
resistência em todas suas centrais nucleares 6 August 2011: Double jeopardy: Fukushima victim is Hiroshima survivor
oktobre 2011: Après Fukushima, seules l’Italie, la Suisse et l’Allemagne ont renoncé à l’énergie nucléaire 12
novembre 2011: Fukushima: giornalisti visitano la centrale atomica 6 december 2011: Radioaktiv mjölk i Japan 18. tammiku
2012: Japani pidentä työntövoimia dua päivää February 11, 2012: Thousands march against nuclear power in
Japan amid worries set of by Fukushima disaster 11 marzo 2012: Giappone, in silenzio un anno dopo lo tsunami
farbwechsel: schwarz (color change: black) The photographs were taken while wandering through the city of Frankfurt
with long exposure times, without looking through the view finder of the camera. A slightly translucent black letterpress
rectangle is printed with polymer plates onto the offset printed night photographs. Text passages by Giorgio
Manganelli’s "La Notte" (in Italian/German) appear in some of the black rectangles. The type face is negative on the
polymer plate and seems on the print sometimes lighter, sometimes darker due to the structure of the photograph
beneath, shaped by the picture. Photography, letterpress and bookbinding by Ines von Ketelhodt. 32 pages, var paper,
two-sided concertina (31 feet) with printed paper over boards. Giorgio Manganelli (only a short passage): "First we
are often asked: which shape said night has, if the appellation shape is even justified for said night, and if this shape,
provided there is one, is constant and immovable, finally if it is measurable. According to the impression of those,
who busied themselves with this, said night has the shape of a cuboid: (...)." farbwechsel: rot (color change: red) The
red volume contains kissing scenes out of Hollywood movies taken from the television screen, featuring scenes from
"How to Steal a Million", "Cleopatra", "Mirage", "Some Like It Hot", "The Kid", "To Have and Have Not" with Lauren
Bacall, Diane Baker, Humphrey Bogart, Charlie Chaplin, Tony Curtis, Audrey Hepburn, Marilyn Monroe, Peter
O’Toole, Gregory Peck and Elizabeth Taylor. New couple combinations are created so that each actress is kissing each
actor. The photographs are printed with polymer plates in letterpress using inks in several lipstick colors. Design,
letterpress and bookbinding by Ines von Ketelhodt. 60 pages, bound in printed paper over boards. farbwechsel: gelb
(color change: yellow) The yellow book contains a complete chapter by H. C. Artmann’s tale "Die Sonne war ein grünes
Ei" ("The sun was a green egg" in German original). It is a funny surrealistic genesis about the creation of the world
and its objects. It is about the jealous relationship of sun, moon and a certain object, as well as the genesis of stars and
falling stars. As not more than five or six of the 20 Cicero wooden letters fit into a line, I couldn’t break the lines by
dividing words according to syllabes. Printed with yellow ink on yellow paper the text at first sight seems more like a
pattern, but it is still legible: type face as a vehicle for content and type face as pure shape or texture. Design, handset,
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this time there were no railways, people traveled through the land on great objects. These objects were tame, they could
speak, one could talk with them during the long rides, they asked questions and gave answers; yet whistles or steam
they could not make. It was in the winter, moon and sun were riding south, snow was falling, it was cold, the wind was
blowing icily, moon and sun were afraid of freezing. The object they were riding on said: "Cut open my body, get inside,
sew me up again from the inside." The moon took his knife, he cut open the body of this object, he crawled inside with
the sun, the sun sewed it up from the inside with the moon’s howstring. Now they weren’t cold anymore, they warmed
themselves at the bowels of this object, they slept and woke, it was always dark, they had no light with them, they didn’t know where they were going, where this object was taking them. After a while, the object said: "Come out, we are in the south, it is warm, it isn’t snowing anymore, the rain is pleasant!" Moon and sun couldn’t hear the object’s voice, they were in its body, they could only make out a hum that they thought was the fermenting grass in the object’s bowels, they didn’t answer. They slept and woke, it was always dark, they had no light with them, they didn’t know where it was going. The object carried them farther, it came through a jungle, it was a very big forest in which there were no objects. A hunter of the forest had never seen an object before, he shot out of a blow-pipe, he hit the object in the head, the object fell down, it died, the hunter cut it open, moon and sun came out. This hunter took them to his village together with his kill, he took the sun for his wife, the moon he made his slave, he sent him off somewhere every time he wanted to sleep with the sun. But the moon knew of this relationship and wanted to burst with fury and shame. This hunter gradually ate all the meat of that killed object, he didn’t notice that with each meal he was turning more and more into his own prey. When he ate an eye, his eye became the eye of the object, when he ate a back leg, his back leg became the back leg of the object, and so on, until he had become this object himself. Now that the moon had become a free man again he beat the sun because of her infidelity, he destroyed the house of the hunter and he killed the young offspring he had conceived with the sun, he killed the sun’s children and ate them before her eyes. Then he said to her: "Put a saddle upon your lover, we want to ride to the borders of the sky." The sun did as the moon bid, she saddled this object, they sat upon it and rode into the first half of the sky, which then was already covered with stars. At a tree at the border between the first and second half of the sky the moon stopped, he tethered the object to this tree. "Why are you tethering me here?" asked the object. At first the moon gave no answer. "Why are you tethering me here?" repeated the tethered object. "I have tethered you to this tree at the border between the first and the second sky," said the moon, "so that you won’t violate the sun again when I have business elsewhere." Then he took a star out of the fabric of the sky, he put it into the object’s mouth. "And now not another word!" said the moon. The object bit this star in two like a weak nut, it spit out a myriad of small stars, they fell upon the earth and scattered widely. These were the first falling stars ever seen. \textit{farbwechsel: grün} (color change: green) It contains a text passage by Virginia Woolf’s "To the Lighthouse" (in English/German). In the green book I have tried to visualize the topic of dissolved shapes, abstract symbols, the recognition of a letter’s shape and the form of words. All letters were cut individually into two parts so that the fragments of each letter look different. Then the two fragment levels were printed digitally in different shades of green onto two transparent foils. Finally in the bound book they are lying over each other, but the fragments are a bit shifted, so the reader can shift the foils until they converge, thus making the text legible. Practiced readers are able to complete even heavily fragmented letter shapes through cognitive supplementation, while reading. Design, typography and bookbinding by Ines von Ketelhodt. 64 pages, bound in printed paper over boards with linen spine. Virginia Woolf: "Turning back among the many leaves which the past had folded in him, peering into the heart of that forest where light and shade so chequer each other that all shape is distorted, and one blunders, now with the sun in one’s eyes, now with a dark shadow, he sought an image to cool and detach and round off his feeling in a concrete shape." \textit{farbwechsel: blau} (color change: blue) A poem by Hans Arp’s "Wie kämen uns himmelblaue Seelen" (in German) is printed onto photographs, which were taken with long exposure times in the aquarium of the Frankfurt zoo. Time exposure captures a phase of time that we normally cannot perceive. Movements are blurred, they dissolve in time. Because of the time exposure, light, time, positions and situations are added together. These layers visualize movements in sequence. Photography, handset, letterpress and bookbinding by Ines von Ketelhodt. 32 pages, photos are offset printed, text is letterpress printed. Hans Arp: "How handy would sky-blue souls and sky-blue songs come in. What wings would these be. And an angel should hold the star-reigns. How we yearn for this great journey."ootnote{artist statement} 89. Kiesel, William J. [writer of introduction, compiler]. \textbf{Printers Device in Esoteric Publishing}. Seattle: Ouroboros Press, 2016. First Edition. Tight, bright, and unmarred, like new condition. 24 pages, with illustrations, advertisements. Near Fine in Wraps. Staplebound Wraps. (#9692)  
$15.00  
Collection of printer’s devices for occult and esoteric publishers from around the world. Compiled by William Kiesel of Mortlake Books and Ouroboros Press. 

$2,500.00  
Printed in tan wrappers designed to resemble a governmental department envelope (with the flap present and intact).
Kipling began working at the age of seventeen as a journalist and editor for the Civil and Military Gazette in Lahore and published his first collection of verse, Departmental Ditties and Other Verses, in 1886. Kupferberg, "Tuli" Naphtali (Wehlau, Judith; Tuli; Leonardo, et al [illus]). The Book of the Body. New York: Oliver Layton Press/Birth Press, 1966. First Edition. Light, even toning/soiling to wrapper, minor rusting at hinges, else tight, bright, and unmarred. Oblong 12mo. np [32 leaves]. Illus. Very Good in Wraps. Original Wraps. (#9569) $45.00 Tuli (1923-2010) was a noted American counterculture poet, author, publisher, and anarchist. He was also a founding member of the band, The Fugs. It is said he was also referred to in Ginsberg’s Howl (“who jumped off the Brooklyn Bridge and walked away unknown and forgotten into the ghostly daze of Chinatown”). A collection of illustrations and aphorisms embodying the spirit of the 1960s, it is a nice snapshot of the end of a disappearing age.

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Lane, Leonie. Urban Ride Against Uranium. Melbourne, Australia: Print Workshop, nd [1977]. First Printing. Light edge wear, rumpled on three corners, small hole in upper right corner, chip at right side, else bright and clean. Screenprint, printed in black, yellow, red inks, from three stencils. Approx. 22x34.75" Good+. (#9837) $750.00 "With the broadening of the base of community support for the anti-uranium cause, 1976 and 1977 saw the setting up of local organisations, variously named Movement Against Uranium Mining and Campaign Against Nuclear Energy (or Power), specifically to focus on nuclear and uranium issues."

One known copy in institutional collections, at National Gallery of Australia.

Levi, Eliphas; translated (from the French) by R.J. Lemert. The Great Secret: Or Occultism Unveiled [Bound Typescript]. [Great Falls, Montana]: [R.J. Lemert; unknown publisher], [1925-1935]. Unique. Tight, bright and unmarred. Light rubbing to cloth boards, otherwise in very good condition. Bound in dark blue pebbled cloth with gilt titling to front board, dark brown end papers. Bound typescript, appears to be a top copy carbon or mimeograph, with the text on the rectos of the pages only. Annotated with corrections. Octavo. 242 unnumbered leaves. Very Good+. Hardcover. (#9533) $950.00 Rare bound typescript manuscript of French occultist and author Eliphas Levi (1810-1875) of "The Great Secret, or Occultism Unveiled." A note bound in at the front indicates that the typescript was copied from the text as published in the journal "The Montana Mason", a Masonic journal that was published in Great Falls, Montana, in the 1920s. The introduction describes the book as "one of the most interesting and deeply philosophical" of Levi's works. The work remained unpublished in manuscript for nearly a quarter of a century after Levi's death, until a French edition with the title "Le Grand arcane ou l'Occultisme devoile" finally appeared in 1898. It remained unpublished in English until R. J. Lemert, editor of "The Montana Mason," prepared a translation "for the instruction of a few friends, and the latter, regarding it as highly valuable to the student, insisted on its publication" in the journal, and it was then published in parts in the February 1925 and subsequent issues. Curiously no other publication of the work was then undertaken until the Thorsons / Samuel Weiser edition appeared some 50 years later (1975). Unfortunately it is not known who made this typescript, but it was presumably someone who thought the text significant enough that they wanted it in a durable form (and perhaps only had access to borrowed copies of "The Montana Mason", which was scarcely a widely distributed journal). It is similarly without date, but appears to be from the 1930s. The text itself is described in a more recent edition as "Eliphas Levi's final and most important treatise on the occult sciences, in which he examines, magnetism, evil, astral emanations, divination, and creative omnipotence. This bound typescript is obviously unique and significantly predates the first English language publication of the work in book form."

Could possibly be another typescript annotated for publication, yet was never seen. Scarce.

Lipschutz, Yael; with contribution by William Breeze and Susan Pile. Cameron: Songs for the Witch Woman. Los Angeles, CA: Cameron Parsons Foundation, Santa Monica/MCA, Los Angeles, 2015. First Edition. Unmarred and bright copy, slight crease upper/lower spine cloth. Bound in blue cloth with imprinted title and paste-on color illustration on cover. 79 pages with color frontispiece, color plates throughout. Near Fine. Hardcover. (#9302) $200.00 This limited edition catalogue was published in conjunction with the exhibition "Cameron: Songs for the Witch
Woman," organized by Yael Lipschutz, and presented at MOCA, Pacific Design Center, Los Angeles, California, October 11, 2014-January 11, 2015. Documents the first survey of Marjorie Cameron's art work in an American institution. The body work was created in "response to a book of poetry that Jack Parsons (her husband) had begun writing before they met - reflects the mystical manner in which she started to view herself." Cameron was inspired by O.T.O, astronomer and occultist John Dee, abstract surrealism evolving around myth and mysticism. Gorgeous copy for those interested in the parallel of art and occult intersection.


Twelve emo poems from the early 1990s with seven drawings done twenty-five years later in response to the unearthed poems.


"Composed of ten interlinking narrative prose poems by Lori Anderson Moseman, queries the essential nature of the book and its attendant writing systems. Each of the poems in FULL QUIVER (with the exception of the poetic epilogue) is accompanied by a Luwian hieroglyph and a QR code, which will lead readers to related webpages. The Luwian hieroglyphics are not unlike modern day emoticons in that some of them are immediately translatable, but like the Japanese emoji, the meanings of some Luwian logograms and syllable glyphs are less obvious. Luwian was a Bronze Age language spoken in Anatolia, roughly 1700 - 600 BCE. The Luwian writing system has been translated by scholars from texts in which the hieroglyphs were accompanied by cuneiform equivalents. What remains of the Luwian writings are those that were carved into stone, but even many of these are fragmented. While QR code may be familiar to most contemporary readers, the code itself cannot be read in the same way that one reads alphabetic text or even hieroglyphic texts. Rather, these computer generated codes, which were developed for the Japanese automotive industry during the late 20th century, can only be read by a computer or a smartphone equipped with a camera and a QR reading app. For many readers, the QR codes will be unreadable and hence function largely as visual illustrations rather than as text. Others, however, will feel drawn to use their phones to scan the code. Doing so will lead the reader to webpages where there are sound les of the poet reading the poems, further texts by the poet, and translations of the Luwian glyphs. The QR codes thus serve a dual purpose: as compelling visual images and as footnotes, they offer additional information for curious readers.

While the book exists as an independent object, when combined with the website, the two together serve to document a dialogue between poet and artist-designer. Responding to a poem, entitled “Gentleman, Dot’s dad, trots past the silverscreen,” I wrote Z which combines the logograms for LAPIS [stone] and SCALPRUM [chisel] to equal STELE — thus drawing an analogy between the desire to be immortalized on the silverscreen and having one’s deeds incised on a granite wall. Likewise, in composing her second series of poems for the website, Lori responded to the hieroglyph with this: “multivocal warble of Sufis fingering prayer beads.”

"The more ephemeral website was created with the Drupal 7 platform. As the reader navigates from one webpage to the next, content is pulled from the database hosted on a server computer, communicated over the internet connection and delivered to the browser window. There are many variables controlling the display of the content in the browser window not the least of which is the type of computing device that the reader is using. Additionally, given that most computers are not be equipped with Luwian fonts, the glyphs on the website have been placed there as images rather than unicode (the international encoding standard for displaying scripts). Should you wish to have a digital or hard copy of the code and content, I would be happy to assist." [Artist statement]


Hand carved hand blown glass in the front and back covers by Dalibor Nesnidal.
The binding won First Prize of the "Ville d’Urrugne" in the category "Livre Objet".  
Text in French.


Three very scarce/unusual memorial pieces for H.P. Lovecraft (1890-1937). From the collection of Sir Christopher Lee (though unmarked as such). Cook’s In Memoriam was printed by Driftwood Press (VT) in an edition of 94 copies [N.B. Only two copies appear in auction records and OCLC only lists nine institutional copies worldwide]. The two pieces by Muriel Eddy are undated and show no publication place, but institutional records indicate they were published in Providence, RI, circa 1960-70. HPL Esquire, Gentleman appears in only two institutional collections worldwide. The HPL We Knew is, according to OCLC, held in 5 institutions. Also included are seven b/w photographs (captioned at rear in an unknown hand) showing HPL young and old, family, home, and his grave.

100. Ludovico Maria Sinistrari; Montague Summers [translator]. Demoniality [Translated into English from the Latin (with Introduction and Notes)]. London: Fortune Press, [1927]. First Edition Thus. Bound in original black cloth with gilt titling to spine, top edge gilt. Some foxing to deckle edging, wear to extremities, otherwise, tight, bright and unmarred. 8vo, xlv, 128 pages. Limited to 1290 numbered copies, the first 90 of which were on Arnold unbleached handmade paper, and bound in full vellum. The remaining copies, numbered 91 - 1290, were printed on Batchelor handmade paper, and bound in black buckram, of which, this is copy, hand-numbered 139; lacking scarce original dust jacket. Includes the ex libris of Gerald Yorke on front endpaper. Very Good+. Hardcover. (#9782) $550.00

As the title suggests, "De Daemonialitate, et Incubis et Succubis" deals in part with Incubi and Succubi, and their congress with human beings. Written by the Franciscan theologian Lodovico Maria Sinistrari (1622 -1701) during the last years of his life, but it was not published until 1875, when the French bibliophile Isodore Liseux, who had discovered the original manuscript in a bookseller's shop in London in 1872, issued from his press the Latin text with a French translation in 1875. Four years later he issued an English translation of the work. The print run was quite small and the book rare from the outset, so Montague Summers issued a new translation, with an excellent Introduction, under R. A. Caton's Fortune Press imprint in 1927. The book evidently caught the eyes of British censors, and in 1934 the work was prosecuted under the Obscene Publications Act and copies were condemned and ordered to be destroyed. The number of copies thus destroyed is unknown, but the book is certainly scarcer than its stated limitation would suggest. In usual fashion, Rev. Summers remains the wonderful voice of dissent, by expressing his discontent with the Liseux translation. Summers is exceptionally thorough and provides deeper analysis of the original work through excessive notes and introduction.

Demoniality and incubus and succubus animals where it is proved that there exist on earth reasonable creatures other than man, having like him a body and soul....This rare text limited to less than 600 copies in its first printing and sold out immediately, has long been thought a wonder. Sinistrari (1622-1701) was for a long time considered by many a fictitious author and the manuscript Liseux describes in the preface (he states from the Seymour sale of 1871) non existent. This lost work as discovered at Harvard University and now attributes Sinistrari as author of several known works of philosophy and the occult. “In De daemonialitate, the Franciscan Sinistrari questions the canonical definition of angelic being. A fundamental tenet of Christian angelology is the belief that angels lack any possible form of physical desire. However, he refers to infinite accounts whose goal is not the sanction of a demonic pact but rather the fulfillment of a carnal, humanlike drive. Sinistrari calls this spirit incubus, and as innumerable stories confirm, the offspring of an incubus and a human is a hybrid, a being against nature. Sinistrari argues that an incubus’s body is neither totally metaphorical like a devil’s nor totally carnal like humans. Incubi are in-between beings, a step down from the angels and a step up from human beings.”—Oxford University Press.

From the library of Gerald Yorke (1901-1983) with his posthumous bookplate on the front pastedown. A great occult scholar and bibliophile, Yorke ("Frater Volo Intellegere") was for a short time Aleister Crowley's chief disciple, after Crowley's death in 1947. He was a member of A.A.: order. Yorke played a crucial role in preserving Crowley's literary
legacy as well as in the publication of works on the occult and Eastern religions, Aleister Crowleys’ biography with John Symonds, and editing and commissioning works for a number of British publishers from the 1950s through 1970s.

101. Mackinolty, Chips
- **Support Queenslands Fight Against Police State**, Sydney, Australia: The Tin Sheds Art Workshop, nd [ca 1978]. First Printing. Light edge wear, slight rumple at edges, else bright and clean. Screenprinted, in red and black inks, from two stencils. Approx. 29x39. Very Good. ($9838) $1,250.00

Large, graphically strong poster railing against what was seen as the police state tactics of government agents in Queensland. Notes actions against political/union organizers, women, blacks, the gay community, etc. All the 'stronger' given the political environment in the area at the time. One known copy in institutional collections, at the National Gallery of Australia.

Queensland under the Premier Joh Bjelke-Petersen - a notoriously corrupt right wing demagogue who banned street marches etc. etc. and overtly moved Queensland towards a police state. He put in a Police Minister who was already tainted with corruption (and was subsequently tried and jailed after the government fell). These posters were made to be pasted to walls with crude glue, and it is unlikely that many survived, especially because of the "anti-police" aspect, which would have seen them torn down and defaced quickly, and anyone caught with them almost certainly subject to a beating in the police cells. Lefties and radicals would be unlikely to have kept them on the walls at home, as police raids were frequent...

102. Mak, Geert; Kisman, Max [illus]; Fletcher, Erin [binding]. **The Island: An Amsterdam Saga [Miniature Design Binding]**, Stichting Handboekbinden: De Buitenkat/Museum Meermanno, 2016/2017. First Edition. Tight, bright, and unmarred. Three-Part Bradel binding; spine covered in black goatskin with onlays of light grey buffalo and goat suede; boards covered in black goatskin on top and chocolate brown goatskin on bottom; onlays of stone veneer and vellum; embroidered elements in cotton embroidery floss; lines and dots tooled through various colored foils; leather wrapped endbands, wrapped with alternating threads; edge painted with beige Acryla and orange Acryla; endpapers are handmade by Hook Pottery paper (wheatstraw black) and Katie MacGregor (orange). Book is housed in a full leather clamshell box covered with ivory buffalo skin; rat embroidered through various leather onlays using cotton embroidery floss; title piece embroidered through two layers of leather onlays; trays covered in handmade Katie MacGregor paper in orange and lined with handmade paper by Hook Pottery Paper, wheatstraw in black. 32mo [7.6x5.4x1.8cm]. Fine in Fine Archival Box. Hardcover. ($9764) $1,100.00

"The denizens of this forgotten island are plagued by sickness. Many theories are put forth as to the source of their ailments, such as, pigeons from Chernobyl moulting their radioactive feathers, skulls and bones that lay under an old chapel or that the ground is full of chemicals.

All of these potential hazards are soon pushed aside as the population is removed for new growth and development. On the top half of the binding, I took inspiration from the KNSM Island Skydome, a housing project built by Wiel Arets Architects. Its angular and sleek design became a stark contrast to a landscape that had fallen into disarray by its derelict inhabitants."

[artist statement]


"Character Traits draws inspiration from the tradition of writing manuals and calligraphic model books, in which various lettering styles are displayed in short, epigrammatic texts. The title was chosen to evoke the two primary motivations of the book: to explore the traits of alphabetical characters that are digitally native and thus free from the technological limitations of typographic lettering (ie. metal type), and to do so in a series of texts that are chosen because they illuminate potential traits of the human character. The book consists of two components: a bound essay and a portfolio of unbound plates. The essay explores the various technological, artistic, and conceptual ideas behind the plates, and includes a section of notes on the texts and lettering featured in each plate. To emphasize the non-typographic nature of the lettering, the plates will be printed intaglio rather than letterpress. This process allows for extremely vibrant colors, though they are applied quite differently than I have done in the past. Rather than printing multiple colors in overlay to create varying shades, the intaglio plates can be printed in either one or two colors: one color if inked only intaglio or relief, two colors if inked intaglio and relief simultaneously. The two-color prints are extremely labor intensive, so much so that they are impractical to print for the entire edition. So although both the standard and deluxe copies will feature the same texts and lettering, the deluxe copies will have more two-color prints..."
than the standard. The deluxe copies also include a third volume of linoleum cuts based on a series of 18 color studies I painted in anticipation of the two-color plates from the book." [artist statement]

**Edition Details:**
Deluxe copies are printed on two custom makings of Twinrocker Handmade Paper and bound by Amy Borezo of Shelter Bookworks. Book and portfolio bound in half leather with papers marbled for the edition by Stephen Pittlekow. Accompanied by a third volume of linoleum cuts printed on a 1923 making of Crown & Sceptre paper, made to the specifications of William Morris. Housed in an innovative two-part box. 20 copies, 3 proofs. Approx. $7,500.00


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**Edition Details:**


"Ornamental Digressions was handset and printed by Russell Maret in his Pinwheel Ornaments, which were engraved and cast by Ed Rayher at Swamp Press and Letterfoundry. The texts are set in Gudrun Zapf von Hesse's Diotima, with titling in Hermann Zapf's Michelangelo, both of which were cast by Rainer Gerstenberg in Darmstadt, Germany. One hundred copies were printed on 145gm Zerkall wove paper and bound by Craig Jensen in goatskin and Yatsuo handmade paper. Twenty copies are bound in different colors than the other eighty and accompanied by a second, oblong volume of pattern papers printed on ten different colors of Yatsuo paper." Fine in Fine Archival Box. Hardcover. (#9227)  $1,500.00

"In 2011 Joe Whitlock-Blundell asked me to design the binding for The Folio Society’s edition of The Sound of the Fury. Joe had liked the patterned paper I designed for Specimens of Diverse Characters and he asked me to emulate it for the Faulkner. In response I designed nine ornamental variations on a basic theme: a central pinwheel form with nine different fillers among the pinwheel's arms. Joe chose the busiest of the nine designs as appropriate to the content of his book, and I spent a couple of years thinking about what else to do with the remaining ornaments. Eventually I decided to make a book of patterned papers, and I sent one of the designs, now called Pinwheel Ornaments, to Ed Rayher to have it made into new metal type ornaments. While the type was being made I began the obsessive process of designing ornamental patterns. I do most of this kind of work while lying awake in bed, and this time was no different. For months I worked out meticulous variations in the wee hours, unsure as to whether I would model the book on a type specimen, printing the designs in black ink on white paper, or on a fabric swatch book, printing the patterns in colors on a variety of papers. The more I thought about these patterns the more I realized that my mind was wandering. I love making patterns, but a book that only explored the patterning potential of the ornaments was not holding my interest. Instead, I
began envisioning elaborate arrangements that were not inspired by what the ornaments could do but by what they were not supposed to do. While reading or walking around the city, texts and images would spark ideas for designs that made no practical sense at all, and my thought would digest into designs of eight, or nine, or more colors. The book that has developed, Ornamental Digressions, draws on all of these various sources. It begins with four black and gray designs that display the basic functions of the ornaments. This is followed by fifteen ornamental digressions, each of which is pared with a text and printed in a wide array of colors. The book ends with notes on the sources of the fifteen digressions. Additionally, twenty copies are accompanied by a swatch book of twenty patterned papers that are printed on variously colored handmade paper, quarter goatskin, paper covered boards, clamshell box. " [Artist statement] Printed letterpress from letterforms of Roma Abstract, this Trajanic benchmark of enlightened Imperial form is rendered nearly illegible, Trajan's column, the letterforms of which are widely regarded as the apotheosis of Roman alphabetical form. Set in the letter is supported and explicated by those around it. The book’s cover is printed with the text from the inscription on Trajan's column; in a frosted acrylic slipcase. Fine in Fine Slipcase. Original Wraps. (#9482) $625.00

"In their simplest incarnations—a line for an I, a circle for an O—letterforms reveal their true nature: they are Forms first, Letters second. The connective tissue that transforms a circle into a letterform is only as strong as the imagination and consensus of the community for whom that circle represents the letter O. For some communities the O is a rectangle, for others it is a lozenge balanced between parallel horizontal lines. To tell either of these communities that their Os are not Os is as futile as telling a speaker of one language that he ought to be speaking another. These variable permutations of abstraction and legibility are the source of the alphabet’s dynamism, and it is in the boundary between these two states that I enjoy spending my time. Roma Abstract is based closely on a geometric alphabet I painted while at the American Academy in Rome. When I first arrived for my fellowship in Rome, I did so with a high level of anxiety. I felt an intense pressure to produce work, and from my first day at the Academy I could feel the time slipping away. In an attempt to calm myself, I painted a seven-inch diameter circle on a wooden panel. As people visited my studio they would unfailingly remark on the “O” on my wall. Each time I would tell them that it was not an O but a circle, and each time they responded that they had assumed that it was a letterform because I had drawn it. I had become the O’s contextual source of legibility, it was through me that the circle became an O. By the fourth or fifth such conversation, I began saying that the circle was an O, and proceeded to paint the remaining twenty-five letterforms in the alphabet. The finished alphabet borrows from Greek, Etruscan, and Roman alphabetical marks to create a set of twenty-six forms that require their neighbors to be understood. They are legible, but only just so. As a group, the letterforms also evoke the diversity of alphabetical history, calling into question the recurring desire to find an idealized alphabetical form. After returning to New York in 2010, I digitally traced the letterforms and used them at greatly reduced size on my MMXI new year’s card and on a page of Specimens of Diverse Characters. Although I liked the smaller printed versions, something was missing. The original scale of the painted letters was critical to their reading as monumental forms that had been degraded and deprived of their full meaning. Since printing Specimens I have wanted to print the letterforms of Roma Abstract at their original size. The problem I faced was that I did not simply want to make a facsimile of the painted alphabet, and I could not find a compelling exterior reason to print the book. So I put the idea aside and waited. Then increasingly over the last two years I have come to feel that every aspirational symbol of culture and civility has been abstracted into unrecognizable ciphers; and any stable understanding I thought I had of a Roman ideal has been shattered by the steady onslaught of global social and political upheavals. My illegible alphabet suddenly makes sense, has gained in legibility within the current political context. What grew out of a desire to challenge the Roman ideal suddenly changed into a lament of its passing.

In contrast to the original alphabet in which each letterform was painted on its own wooden panel, the letterforms in Roma Abstract are printed on translucent paper to emphasize their communal aspect—rather than standing alone, each letter is supported and explicated by those around it. The book’s cover is printed with the text from the inscription on Trajan’s column, the letterforms of which are widely regarded as the apotheosis of Roman alphabetical form. Set in the letterforms of Roma Abstract, this Trajanic benchmark of enlightened Imperial form is rendered nearly illegible, echoing the absurd mockery of statehood in which we find ourselves living." [Artist statement] Printed letterpress from Photopolymer plates by Nancy Loeber, on 30 lb. Chatham Tranlucent.


Astrology discussion of lunation and eclipses to forecast life events and predictions. "Sophia Mason, an internationally recognized astrologer, demonstrates how to make accurate predictions based on the New, Full and Quarter Moons through the houses of the zodiac. The book includes detailed tables for the years 1980 through 1999, allowing readers to chart the positions of the moon in the various houses for any given date and time." CA ABAA 2019 Book Fair
known astrologer and author who tried to locate missing children through astrology, died April 18th at her home in Parma, Ohio. She was 76. Mason, twice named "Best Astrologer" by the American Federation of Astrologers, lectured at astrology conferences throughout the United States and taught adult education classes in astrology at Parma high schools. “Obit.


"Curio is a collection of quotidian objects that speaks to the idea of woman as domestic curator and as weaker vessel. Images of household vases, cups and bowls are paired with inkbLOTS that evoke the trappings of middle-class existence. The text is adapted from the 1868 collection of articles, Modern Women and What Is Said of Them and Kate Chopin’s novel, The Awakening." [artist statement]

109. **[May Day/International Workers’ Day Poster]**, Black Earth, nd [circa 1975]. First Printing. Minor edge wear, one crease near bottome, tape remains at rear, else bright and clean. Screenprinted, dark orange background, black ink image and toning, blue and red ink touches, text in white ink. Approx 17.5x27.5" Very Good+. (#9828) $750.00

Text read, "May 1st, International Workers’ Day, is not just an occasion for another protest march. It is the day of solidarity for working class struggle; dedicated both to the martyrs of the past and the victories of the future. May Day is the symbol of the existence of an alternative to the world of today."

Black Earth appears to be an anarchist group, though very little information could be found at first blush. The poster is a strong bit of art, well designed and printed, 5 press runs comprising building the effect...military drummer and soldiers in forground, a huge group of workers filling the top of the image, text printed across the bottom. Handsome copy of a poster not located in any institutional collections.


"Growing public uneasiness about the death toll was fuelled by a series of highly publicised arrests of conscientious objectors, and exacerbated by revelations of atrocities committed against Vietnamese civilians, leading to a rapid increase in domestic opposition to the war between 1967 and 1970. Following the 1969 federal election, which Labor lost again but with a much reduced margin, public debate about Vietnam was increasingly dominated by those opposed to government policy. On 8 May 1970, moratorium marches were held in major Australian cities to coincide with the marches in the US. The demonstration in Melbourne, led by future deputy prime minister Jim Cairns, was supported by an estimated 100,000 people. Across Australia, it was estimated that 200,000 people were involved."

Australian political posters are very scarce to market and, at first blush, the only holdings of significance are held at the National Museum of Australia and/or the National Library of Australia. This poster does not appear to be held by either.


10 folios of various types of vellum. Description, in German, laid in. Translated as below:

Header paper and Folio 1: Goat - uterine vellum
Folio 2 and 3: calf vellum colored (grey)
Folio 4 and 5: calf vellum nature
Folio 6 and 7: calf vellum with veining (veins)
Folio 8 and 9: calf vellum nature with spots
Folio 10 and 11: goat uterine vellum
Folio 12 and 13: goat vellum nature
Folio 14 and 15: goat vellum colored (brown-black)
Folio 16 and 17: goat vellum nature (brown)
last one: goat - uterine vellum

Includes 14 gatefolds with 30 color photos showing neon signs within the American landscape, first in daylight, then by night. One of 1000 copies. Uncommon in presentable condition, due to design/structure...more so signed by the artist.

113. **Modern Fish-Oracle novelty game and advertisements**. New York: Willy Mayer & Company, c. 1875. Printed paper and plastic advertisements with some wear, otherwise in excellent condition. All elements present. Very Good+. ($9416) $65.00

The F. Mayer Boot & Shoe Company was based in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Includes: Modern Fish-Oracle advertising novelty game, envelope, and insert: Envelope reads "Modern Fish-Oracle" - "Be In The Swim and Buy Mayer's Custom Made Shoes" - Compliments of F. Mayer Boot and Shoe Co., Milwaukee, Wis. Presented by ... " Insert explains directions on how to use the fortune teller fish with shoe advertisement on verso. Printed paper fish is also present. Also includes bear-shaped purple die-cut film advertisement.


"Killer was Thurston Moore's self-published fanzine covering the New York hardcore scene, from show photos to record reviews and interviews. Moore started the zine to become more immersed in the scene and have a way to plug his friend's bands and introduce himself to some of his favorite bands. This issue features Madonna on the front and a Pettibon work at the rear.


Art binding by Julie H.B. Stackpole, a fine hand bookbinder based in mid-coast Maine. After getting a BA at Kirkland College, Julie Beinecke Stackpole studied bookbinding with Kathryn Gerlach in Vermont, in Ascona Switzerland, at the Camberwell School of Arts & Crafts in London, and with Roger Powell in England. She established her studio, the Merlicorn Bindery, on Nantucket in 1975, which she moved to Maine in 1985. She specializes in one-of-a-kind creative fine binding, all aspects of rare book restoration.


"A True Interpretation of the Witch of Endor spoken of in The First Book of Samuel, xxviii. chap. beginning at the 11th verse shewing 1. How she and all other witches do beget or produce that Familiar Spirit they deal with, and what a Familiar Spirit is.......2. It is clearly made to appear in this Treatise, that no Spirit can be raised without its body.......3. An interpretation of all those Scriptures, that doth seem as if Spirits might go out of Men's bodies when they die, and subsist in some or other without bodies....... Lastly several other things needful for the mind of man to know."

"An unusual tract by Lodowick Muggleton (1609 - 1698), the English tailor who became a Puritan religious leader and
anti-Trinitarian heretic whose religious movement became known as Muggletonianism. Muggleton took virulent exception to the Quakers, was hailed by his followers as a prophet, and was twice convicted of blasphemy. His religious beliefs were at least unorthodox: he is said, for example, to have thought that God had a human body. In this booklet he detailed his thoughts on witches, spirits and various matters. "This particular edition is speculated to be a printer's "unsophisticated" copy in paper wrappers before being sent to binder.

One of the more prolific stories of witchcraft lore, The Witch of Endor (also known as the Medium of Endor) was a woman, as reported in Samuel I of the Old Testament of the Bible, chapter 28, verses 3 - 25, who possessed a talisman through which she called up the ghost of the recently deceased prophet Samuel, at the demand of King Saul of Israel for battle purposes. The story of the Witch of Endor has excited the creative imagination through the ages and inspired further embellishment of her practices. Few holdings and unusual.


"To my knowledge, the only book written about this unique and noted western character." Poker Alice, born Alice Ivers, was an extraordinary woman, among many things she owned and operated a brothel; she was a boot-legger, a murderer, a convicted felon, smoked cigar, and rightfully, carried a gun. She was most known for her business as a professional gambler during the 19th century. The legend around her is seen in depictions of Old West fantasies about women in the West, including Deadwood, Sturgis, and Silver City. Despite the misgivings of how women were treated at the turn of the century, Ivers economic career is notable and her cardplaying was unmatched.


"Directory to the Red-Light District of New Orleans in the Gay Nineties" A loosely organized guide to the prostitutes of NOLA...often quite crass in review (e.g. "This lump of lechery..." ). Includes numerous adverts for various clubs, cigars, and liquors. Facsimile of a vanishingly scarce original...this, too, has become uncommon and difficult to find in presentable condition.


Walnut veneer boards, Purple Heart veneer onlays, snakeskin tapes, buffalo spine. (from the artist statement) "Erin Fletcher was introduced to the craft of bookbinding under the instruction of Susannah Kite Strang during her studies at The School of the Art Institute of Chicago. She experimented with a variety of simple book structures, pushing the concept of the book as an art form." She continued her studies at North Bennen School and now practices her craft in the Boston area. An emerging powerhouse.

120. **Obituary Cards [Sarah Thomas; Rebecca Thomas]**, Wales, 1865/1878. Very minor wear, else bright and clean. Die-cut embossed cards, cream with black back piece, black ink lettering. Very Good+. (#9588) $100.00

Obituary cards from two young Welsh girls who passed at 16 and 25 in 1865 and 1878.


Interesting pamphlet covering naturopathic medicine and palmistry sciences through the "language of the hand."
Independent practitioner and healer, Leo Osman promoted sexual and health magnetism, occult forces, and spirit auraspathy. A trade not uncommon in the late 19th century occult circles. No other known copies available.


Reproduced edition of the Epinal Tarot originally printed in 1830 by arts printers, Pellerin from Vosges, France. The woodcuts of the present edition are the same as those used by Georgin, the engraver during the Napoleonic period. Tarot explanatory notes by experienced diviner, Paulette Vieber. Classic 19th century design and rendition.


This book is part of the project "words" of the English group AMBruno. The text is Wallace Stevens' poem The House was quiet and the world was warm. The artist, exploring the premise that words are possible thanks to the space that occupy each letter, breaks the work down letter by letter...maintaining position on each leaf. Unfolding across 26 pages, all iterations of each letter...in order...are printed on a single page. Each letter therein creates its own suggestive landscapes. Elegant and beautiful in its simplicity.

The project was defined by the this statement: "Artists' books transform the condition of bookness, and complicate it. In almost every case, attention to the book's visual presence - its objectness - is pronounced, in a manner that embraces elements from painting, sculpture, collage and filmic techniques. Some [...] are made for reading; some for looking; some for touching; many for all three. In content, they range from political statements, to formal meditations, to personal fantasies; they are also visually wild, inscrutable and weird." [Holland Cotter (Introduction) in The Century of Artists' Books (Joanne Drucker, 2004)]

124. Pettibon, Raymond. O.D. A Hippie / Legalize Heroin. Ban Hippies (and New Yorkers). SST Records, 1982. Limited Edition. Minor wear, crease at center (typical as they were sent folded), signed and numbered in red ink, else bright, and clean. Offset-print in black and white. 43x27.5mm. Numbered, limited edition, this being 326 of what is believed to be less than 500 printed copies. Far fewer exist today. Near Fine. (#8978) $3,500.00

Raymond Pettibon, Greg Ginn's younger brother, did much/all the art for SST and Black Flag...named the band and designed the iconic 4 black bar logo.

"Known for his comic-like drawings with disturbing, ironic or ambiguous text, Pettibon's subject matter is sometimes violent and anti-authoritarian. From the late 1970s through the mid-1980s, he was closely associated with the punk rock band Black Flag and the record label SST Records, both founded by his older brother Greg Ginn. In addition, Pettibon has designed the cover of the 1991 Sonic Youth album Goo; bassist Kim Gordon had been a longtime admirer of Pettibon's art and written about him for Artforum in the 1980s. Beginning in the mid-1980s, he became a well-known figure in the contemporary art scene."


Early zine by now famed artist Raymond Pettibon. He grew to fame out of this early period o work for SST and Black Flag. Zine meets artist book, in a edition of 500 (though as many as 400 are thought to have been destroyed). This copy from an SST officer and available with others from Pettibon. Scarce.


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"After five years at the central library, I seriously doubted the humanity of my peers." - Joel J. Rane
An instant cult classic, Scream at the Librarian sucks you into the flop house grime of downtown Los Angeles at a time when it was abandoned by all but the terminally desperate. The Screamer, Mr. Brain Damage, and The Devil are just a few of the unforgivable characters populating Rane’s real-life accounts from deep within the stacks of a library that had become a refuge for squatters, drug addicts, and the mentally deranged.
Each story is accompanied by stunning new illustrations by native Californian Cristin Sheehan Sullivan and Raymond Pettibon, progenitor of LA's punk rock art scene.
Printed in two-color silkscreen, the deluxe, hardcover edition is an elaborate art object, loaded with novel idiosyncrasies throughout. The front of the “inside out” cover sports a circulation card signed by author and artists, alongside an amalgam of library stickers, stamps, cataloging numbers, and thumb divots.
Designed by Amy Mees and Mark Wagner; silkscreen printing by Kayrock, Brooklyn, NY; letterpress printing and binding by Sara Parkel; production assistance by Eliana Perez, Cat Glennon, Candice Sering, and Jamie Munkatchy
[publishers statement]

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"On August 11, 1984, United States President Ronald Reagan, while running for re-election, was preparing to make his weekly Saturday address on National Public Radio. As a sound check prior to the address, Reagan made the following joke to the radio technicians:

"My fellow Americans, I'm pleased to tell you today that I've signed legislation that will outlaw Russia forever. We begin bombing in five minutes."

The joke was a parody of the opening line of that day's speech:

My fellow Americans, I'm pleased to tell you today that I've signed legislation that will allow student religious groups to begin enjoying a right they've too long been denied — the freedom to meet in public high schools during nonschool hours, just as other student groups are allowed to do.

Contrary to popular misconception, the joke was not broadcast over the air; instead it was leaked later to the general populace. But the Tokyo newspaper Yomiuri Shimbun reported in October 1984 that the Soviet Far East Army was placed on alert after word of the statement got out, and that the alert was not withdrawn until 30 minutes later. Congressman Michael Barnes (D-Md.) confirmed that information with then Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger. There was no report of any change in the DEFCON level for the United States.

Though this was not the first time Reagan had joked prior to giving a speech or address, the Soviet official news agency, TASS, condemned the joke, declaring that "USSR condemns this unprecedentedly hostile attack of US President" and that "this kind of behavior is incompatible with high responsibility the heads of nuclear states are bearing for the destinies of their own people and the mankind".

135. Reed, Kit [verse]; Reed, Joseph [illus]; Cooksey, Gabby [binder]. **Deaths of the Poets [Art Binding]**. Middletown, CT: Sign of the Piratical Primrose, c. 1980. Limited Edition. Very minor toning to text block and light ghosting of images, else bright and clean. Design binding: bound in blue goat skin with laced in boards, red cabbage paper makes the border around the man; the man is made of black spray paint and gold foil; gold foil is spread throughout the holes of the red cabbage paper; gold foil spine title; leather hinges and sewn endbands; paper paste downs and flyleaves; textblock sewn on Japanese paper hinges. 8vo. np. Numbered limited edition, this being 9 of 10. Very Good [Textblock Near Fine]. Hardcover. (#9551) $6,500.00

"Sit tibi terra levis" (May the earth rest lightly on you), and "Qualis artifex pereo" (What an artist the world is losing in me.) [from the title page]

An alphabet books of poets (and a earth rests), each dark and whimsical portrait by Joseph Reed accompanied by a satirical quatrain by Kit Reed and each framed in a pictorial border. The subjects include Byron, Crane, Donne, Euripides, Fuller, Goethe, Homer, S. Johnson, Keats, Nerval, Ovid, Pope, Rilke, Tennyson, Villon, Wilde, Yeats, and others.

This wonderful and ambitious work was produced relatively late in their careers and, we believe, is the only collaborative livre d'artiste project they worked on. Executed completely in etching, intaglio and aquatint, and printed
KIT REED (June 7, 1932–September 24, 2017) was an American author of speculative and literary fiction, as well as psychological thrillers under the pseudonym Kit Craig. A Guggenheim fellow and an early recipient of a literary grant from the Abraham Wourssel Foundation, Reed was the resident writer at Wesleyan University.

JOSEPH W. REED is professor emeritus of film and American studies at Wesleyan University, where he became interested in printmaking and painting in the 1970s. Experimenting with these mediums, he produced a body of work characterized by its sobriety and painstaking attention to historical detail. Thematic series include “Chief Executives Underwater,” “First Ladies In Space,” and “The History of Western Ant.”

BINDING STATEMENT: "The design derives from the borders used throughout the drawings by Reed. I wanted to do my own take on it, and thought the lovely red cabbage paper would be perfect. I used the illustration of Villon has my muse because I thought the contrast of the jail bars and the flow of the border would be perfect." [Gabby Cooksey]

136. **Rock Against Racism [Australian Poster]**. Carlton, Australia, nd [circa 1976]. First Printing. Light edge wear, small tear/loss on the right edge, else bright and clean. Screenprinted in black and pink ink. Approx. 20x29.5" Very Good. (#9835) $1,250.00

"Nazis Are No Fun " "Smash the National Front."

Rock Against Racism came into being in response to several well known musicians [looking at you Bowie] said some reasonably horrible things and really catalyzed when Eric Clapton "made a drunken declaration of support for former Conservative minister Enoch Powell (known for his anti-immigration Rivers of Blood speech) at a concert in Birmingham. Clapton told the crowd that England had "become overcrowded" and that they should vote for Powell to stop Britain from becoming "a black colony". He also told the audience that Britain should "get the foreigners out, get the wogs out, get the coons out", and then he repeatedly shouted the National Front slogan "Keep Britain White"."

No known copy of this poster in any institutional collection. A remarkable find.


From the artwork of Marina Romito and input from Denise Palm, who was responsible from the production and marketing of the deck in South Africa. Inspired by the Shangaan indigenous community in South Africa. Important example of non-Western inspired tarot from social justice creators.


"This 1800's print and poem titled, The Hairy Prospect or the Devil in a Fright by the English artist and caricaturist, Thomas Rowlandson, shows a woman standing by a bed to left, lifting her skirt up showing her scary hairy vagina; to right, a hairy and winged devil with a huge penis turns away, recoiling in horror at the sight; open door at right."

The poem reads:

Once on a time the Sire of evil
In plainer English call’d the devil
Some new experiment to try
At Chloe cast a roguish eye
But she who all his arts defied
Pull’d up and shew’d her sexes pride
A thing all shagg’d about with hair
So much it made old Satan stare
Who frightend at the grim display
Takes to his heels and runs away.

Letterpress printed by David Wolfe of Wolfe editions


Queer tech organization promoting visibility for LGBTQ individuals in the early 1980s technology field in Silicon
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Valley, CA. List of companies and institutions that employ openly queer tech and computer industry folks, mission statement, social action points, membership form, and history of organization written by Rick Rudy.


S.M.E.G.M.A. is Sadists, Masochists, Ethiopians, Girls, Men, Animals... Background image is a severed penis, poetry overprinted. Scarce.

141. Sabate 1976. Sydney, Australia: Sydney Anarchists [Open Road; IWW; Venceremos Collective], nd [1976]. First Printings. Light edge wear, light blue ink splatter at rear (visible at front), blue ink at rear that ghosts to front (was stacked on a previous wet print), else bright and clean. Screenprinted in black, blue, and purple inks, from two stencils. Approx. 17x22" Good+. ($9839) $225.00

"Anarchist Francisco [El Quico] SABATE, the first of the urban guerrillas. He carried out actions in fascist Spain for 21 years. Killed by police in 1960." Printed in black with color added for his coat and scarf.
This was the period of the Rote Armee Fraktion (Baader-Meinhof) in Germany, Red Brigade in Italy, etc. etc. - the first wave of modern terrorism. Remarkably scarce/unusual and a 'shocking' piece of the time.
Only one copy located in an institutional collection, National Gallery of Australia. No copy in the US.

142. Sabate 1976. Sydney, Australia: Sydney Anarchists [Open Road; IWW; Venceremos Collective], nd [1976]. First Printings. Light edge wear, small spot of blue at top edge (likely transfer), small area where black is less solid (marginal print run), else bright and clean. Screenprinted in black, blue, and purple inks, from two stencils. Approx. 17x22" Good+. ($9841) $250.00

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"Anarchist Francisco [El Quico] SABATE, the first of the urban guerrillas. He carried out actions in fascist Spain for 21 years. Killed by police in 1960." Known copies are printed in black with color added for his coat and scarf. This lacks color and the flaw in the black suggests it might be an offprint from the press.
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Text in French. Forward by Jean-Jacques Pauvert, afterword by Maurice Blanchot. Bound by Sonya Sheats: "The image on the front cover is taken directly from the text. The binding is a traditional French full leather binding with leather hinges. The endpapers are marbled on glass paper by Marianne Peter (France). This book was bound by Sonya Sheats in 2003." (from the artist)

decorative elements, '27' at the heel of spine (the average donation amount). 8vo. 450pp. Illus. (color and b/w plates). Fine in Fine Archival Box. Hardcover. (#9277) $1,400.00

"I don't often get to touch on politics in my line of work. Bernie Sanders is an inspiration, not only in his message, not only backing up his standpoints with policy, but is, and has been, fighting for the people his entire career. As a person who lives in constant pain, and whose healthcare costs reflect that, his stance on health insurance as a human right resonates greatly with me. This book follows his campaign trail and puts forth the ideals he ran on: income equality, health care for all, higher education as a human right, racial justice, environmental justice, criminal justice reform, immigration reform, getting money out of politics, truth, love, compassion, and solidarity, among many others—and their implementation. I chose to do a utilitarian binding on this: no gold, nothing flashy, a simple arts-and-crafts design tooled in blind, done quickly but with elegance. The endpapers are plain, they don't need to be fancy. "A Future to Believe In" was Bernie's campaign message, and "The Struggle Continues" is the progressive answer to any election, any vote, or any compromise, win or lose—the struggle continues. And, of course, he ran a campaign without super PACs, with an average campaign donation of $27, the number used where one would find a volume number or a date."

[artist statement]


"The powerful magical force of the Vikings is hidden in the ancient Runes"—Description. Divination deck using rune "Futhark" symbols. American occult publishers reissued in 2013. Translated into four languages.


Neo-pagan literary and resource journal. Within these pages, “you’ll find creative work by pagans and witches of many different traditions”—Introduction. Includes recipes, ritual practice, Earth calendar, herbalism, and meditation, coven training, etc. Scarce and wonderful example of a witches’ almanac and other socially conscious publications from the neo-pagan movement of the 1980s.


An extraordinary binding by Sean Richards of Byzantium Studios. The skull is constructed by over 200 leather onlays.

149. Sherlockiana collection. 1946-2014. Materials include various monographic and serial journals, in addition to scarce self-published “zine” pamphlets, parodies, and other ‘pastiche’ produced by individual fans and self-motivated scholars of Sherlock Holmes and Dr. John Watson. Most of the publications are two-fold, stapled booklets. The entire collection encompasses 3 linear feet and numbering over approximately one hundred titles. Majority are first edition publications and in very good condition. Very Good+. (#9358) $950.00

Collection of Sherlock Holmes enthusiast related and miscellaneous “Sherlockiana” materials, 1946-2014. The Arthur Conan Doyle Encyclopedia website describes “Sherlockiana” as: People interested in Sherlock Holmes and who enjoy sharing their interest with others are baptized sherlockians or holmesians. Their purpose is to keep green the memory of the detective. The literary activity of the sherlockians is called the Sherlockiana. The study is limited to the Sherlock Holmes saga in the work of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, including all the characters appearing the stories (their lives, their activities, the places where they live, etc.). The sherlockiana is practiced by writing articles, studies or conferences (serious or humorous) on the most diverse topics.

Notable serials include "Baker Street Journal," "An Irregular Quarterly of Sherlockiana" [almost complete run, 1946-2014], "Pontine Dossier" [8 issues], "Sherlockian: A Quarterly Journal" [first 6 issues], "Third Pillar," "Newsletter for the Thespian Pursuits in Sherlockiana" [issues 1-4 with correspondence], and the "Baker Street Miscellanea" [12 issues]. The collection isn’t without its peculiarities, which include the limited edition reprint of the
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Irregular Feast foldout menu and the Mansion Murders mystery tabletop game complete with map and clue book. Other unique and scarce titles include: Watsoniana, Holmes and the Theory of Games, Sherlock Holmes Cook Book, Parlour Games of Sherlock Holmes, Some Unaccountable Exploits of Sherlock Holmes. Extremely distinctive and well-rounded assemblage of materials accounting for fan-driven scholarship and examples of dedicated pop culture iconography with literary pursuits. [Complete spreadsheet with brief main title entries available].


"These books I am printing are trying to combine being painted and printed; I always print like a painter anyway – the blocks are just another way of getting colour and image onto the paper – and each book, of a very small edition will be slightly different.

I want it to be quite rough and immediate, not pretty at all – I am not sure my skills stretch to tragedy so rough and raw will have to do....

The text flickers between current events and concerns, structured around the medieval story of Perceval, The Holy Fool, and yes – The Ruin. I am trying to mirror the metaphors of the writing with the way I print – shreds of allusions and references in the imagery, cut shapes. Fragmented printing styles. The covers, if I ever get them dry in time, are trying to gather up and meld some of the whirling detritus of the world, both natural and man made – and compact it into a surface; I did this once for a unique volume, The Artists Book, done for a Millennium exhibition in 2000, which is now in the USA and I never took a photo of the cover, so it is an idea revisited from memory nearly two decades on.

‘Current events and concerns’ are the perennial ones – man’s inhumanity to man and the continual degradation of the planet. The first image is of an unspecified bombed building, in the Middle East maybe; later bodies hang like meat from the trees, the woodcuts try to flicker like TV screens, dead birds are strung up, trees look blasted. But art ultimately makes things look aesthetic, cozy: I try to be raw but pages inevitably become cooked – our conscience and consciousness makes things acceptable so that we can carry on. I hope this is an angry book all the same.” [artist statement]


"Unnatural Light reflects a lifetime of illumination through stories and wordplay with text that is challenging reading in daylight, but literally glows in the dark. "Eight prints include vintage illustrations reproduced using photopolymer and self-healing mat that–with the type–utilize fluorescent & glow-in-the-dark inks. {{Stories may fade with excessive exposure to light,}} Paper was made with Helen Hiebert's assistance at her studio. Trisha Hammer & Julie Naggs created boxes for the edition."


"A split boards structure with a depiction of a corset of the 1880s across the boards, allowed the actual lacing of the corset's back opening to be carried out in loose soutache braid across the book's spine. The spine and areas of the boards above and below the corset are covered in undyed beige color Niger goatskin. The "corset" is covered in crimson goatskin with underlays to emphasize the boning and some areas in darker color, as was popular. Sculpted boards extend beyond the book's rectangular dimensions on the front cover. Title tooled in blind at top of spine. Endpapers of pink Murehitome, a Japanese paper with an ingrain swirl pattern, beige leather hinges, blanks of Chelonidae Rag, with the original front cover of the book included. "Endbands" are scraps of antique lingerie lace.” [artist statement]

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plates). Signed by the artist. Very Good+ in Very Good DJ. Hardcover. (#7644) $1,250.00

Very graphic images and textual descriptions by and of the artist in a variety of suspensions (various hook numbers, positions, locations). In 2007 the artist had his ear attached to his arm. Uncommon generally, scarce signed.


155. Stop Uranium Mining // March for Survival [In Six Parts]. Australia: Movement Against Uranium Mining, nd [circa 1976]. First Printing. Light wear, tape ghosts (from the back) on each diagonal side, several show loss (wormage?) near the point, else bright and clean. Approx. 14x24 and 15.5" (bottom edge cut at an angle). Good. (#9836) $1,500.00

Six posters are designed to be posted individually *or* together. When mounted together, it forms an iconic 6 pointed asterisk sign. The result is a large and graphically strong piece.

"With the broadening of the base of community support for the anti-uranium cause, 1976 and 1977 saw the setting up of local organisations, variously named Movement Against Uranium Mining and Campaign Against Nuclear Energy (or Power), specifically to focus on nuclear and uranium issues."

No known copies found in any institutional collections in the US or abroad.


Period postcard addressed from a brother to his sister during the Suffrage Movement period of the early 20th century. Image shows a husband in an apron kneeling while wife is scolding him with the caption: "My wife's joined the Suffrage Movement (I've suffered ever since!)." Dated 1911.

157. Sweeney, Bobbie; Yockey Sprague, Susan [illus]; Fletcher, Erin [binding]. Rookwood [Miniature Design Binding]. Cincinnati, OH: Mosaic Press, 1983/2016. Unique. Tight, bright, and unmarred. Stone Veneer Dorflner Binding; spine covered in light grey buffalo skin; stone veneer covered boards with veneer and handmade paper tabs; sewn on snakeskin tapes; novasuede fly leaf made to handmade Katie MacGregor paper; leather wrapped endbands; sprinkled edges in the rough. Book housed in a dark grey buffalo skin clamshell box with a light grey buffalo skin back-pared onlay; trays covered in handmade Katie MacGregor paper and lined with Novasuede; box stamped in light grey foil with book title. 32mo [7.7x5.7x1.2cm]. Illus. (color plates). Fine in Fine Archival Box. Hardcover. (#9763) $750.00

"This miniature is about Rookwood Pottery, a studio founded in 1889 by Maria Longworth Nichols, who fell in love with the Arts and Crafts Movement. Nichols desired to bring these European and Oriental designs to America. Throughout its run, Rookwood became known for several styles of design, glazes and unique shapes. I choose to bind this book with stone veneer in the hopes that it would capture the textures and feel of decorated pottery. The assemblage of petals made from wood veneer and handmade paper are pulled from one of the vase designs illustrated in the text. The box is adorned with the famous R-P monogram, which was adopted in 1886 as the studio’s identifying mark. A single flame was added for each year after 1886, thus the box denotes the year 1887."

[artist statement]

158. Swift, Jonathan; O’Kane, David [illus]; Carpenter, Andrew [intro]; Traynor, Jessica [poetry]. A Modest Proposal [Homelessness Deluxe]. Dublin, Ireland: The Salvage Press, 1729 [2017]. Limited Edition. Tight, bright, and unmarred. Halfbound, black leather spine and foreedge, red leather spine label, gilt lettering, marbled paper boards, printed in red and black ink; matching drop-spine archival box with inlaid Irish porcelain. Imperial folio. 64pp. Illus. (b/w plates). Lettered limited edition, this being UK. [N.B. there are 4 additional copies, i-iv, hors de commerce. Deluxe copies, 1-5, are each in a unique binding reflecting an issue confronting modern Ireland (homelessness, abortion rights, direct provision, religious persecution, and affordable housing) in “hand dyed alum tawed goatskin with reverse offset printed inlays and red calfskin borders, 22c gold hand lettered title, red handmade paper doublures with blind tooling, distressed silver endpapers with 23.5c gold leaf highlights, graphite top edge, red calfskin headbands” by Kate Holland and
including an additional portfolio containing a full suite of the lithographs and a full suite of the poems. Fine in Fine Archival Box. Hardcover. (#9496) $20,000.00

"This publishing of A Modest Proposal was produced to mark the 350th anniversary of the birth of Jonathan Swift in 1667. First printed in 1729 by Sarah Harding 'on the Blind Key', Dublin. Designed, typeset and letterpress printed by Jamie Murphy with much grateful assistance from Niamh McNally, Sarah O’Neill and Phelim McGovern. The type employed is 22 point Monotype Caslon, an interesting cut quite close in character to William Caslon’s ‘Roman and Italic’ types of the late 1720s. The type was originally cast into founts by Neil Winter at The Whittington Press from matrices acquired from the Oxford University Press. The book was printed on a Western style Double Crown proofing press at Distillers Press, NCAD, Dublin. Andrew Carpenter has introduced the edition. Jessica Traynor has supplied nine new poems in response to the original text. David O’Kane has scratched the ten illustrations which have been editioned from lithographic stones by Michael Timmins at his workshop in Stoneybatter. The book has been printed on 250gsm mouldmade paper from the Zerkall Mill, Hürtgenwald, Germany, supplied by John Purcell, London. Based in Wiltshire, UK, Jemma Lewis has designed and produced the marbled papers based on marble patterns found at St. Patrick’s Cathedral where Swift was once Dean. Eleanor Swan has produced the porcelain inserts for the standard copies at her studio on the grounds of Russborough House, Co. Wicklow." (Publisher statement)


The first edition of Symond's biography of Crowley (the first of four); the book which introduced the children of the Fifties and Sixties to the Great Beast. Early printings like this include, as an appendix, Gerald Yorke's ground-breaking Bibliography of Crowley. (Symonds met Crowley a year before his death in 1947 and was named his literary executor. He was fascinated yet quite critical of his subject, leading Crowley's personal secretary Israel Regardie to label him "that most hostile biographer"). Includes contemporary Atlantis Bookshop sticker on front pastedown. Scarce with original publisher's dust jacket in decent condition.


The "Emerald Tablet", also known as the Smaragdine Tablet, or Tabula Smaragdina, is a compact and cryptic piece of the Hermetica reputed to contain the secret of the prima materia and its transmutation. It was highly regarded by European alchemists as the foundation of their art and its Hermetic tradition. The text of the Smaragdine Tablet gives its author as Hermes Trismegistus, a legendary Hellenistic combination of the Greek god Hermes and the ancient Egyptian god Thoth. Despite the claims of antiquity, the original scribbled work is mostly likely an Arabic work written between the sixth and eighth centuries. The oldest documentable source of the text is the "Kitāb Balāniyus al-Hakīm fī'l-`Ilāl Kitāb sirr al-ḥaṣāla" or "Kitab Balanivas al-Hakim fi'l-`Ilal Kitāb al-Ḥāṣāla" (book of Balinas the wise).

A summary of the French translation is thus:
This is the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth:
As below, so above; and as above so below. With this knowledge alone you may work miracles.
And since all things exist in and eminate from the ONE Who is the ultimate Cause, so all things are born after their kind from this ONE.
The Sun is the father, the Moon the mother; the wind carried it in his belly. Earth is its nurse and its guardian. It is the Father of all things, the eternal Will is contained in it.
Here, on earth, its strength, its power remain one and undivided. Earth must be separated from fire, the subtle from the dense, gently with unremitting care.
It arises from the earth and descends from heaven; it gathers to itself the strength of things above and things below. By means of this one thing all the glory of the world shall be yours and all obscurity flee from you.
It is power, strong with the strength of all power, for it will penetrate all mysteries and dispel all ignorance. By it the world was created.

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From it are born manifold wonders, the means to achieving which are here given. It is for this reason that I am called Hermes Trismegistus; for I possess the three essentials of the philosophy of the universe. This is the sum total of the work of the Sun.

A fundamental piece of alchemical work. This is personal rendering of such text.

161. Tavaglione, Giorgio. *L’Oracolo Della Sibilla*. [Germany]. [1980]. In original box, although lacking instruction booklet. Set of fortune telling cards which encompass ancient mythology. Comprises 52 numbered cards plus one Sibilla card plus one blank card. Very Good+. In original box. (#9794) $50.00

Also published in the US and Italy. With German sticker on front. History of divination cards traces back to playing cards of the 16th century.


Comprehensive exhibition catalog for the first exhibition at the Science Museum on alchemical books and printed books for that matter. Many books were loaned from Oxford University and the Wellcome Library. The books represent some of the earliest printed books on chemistry and alchemical treatises. The Science Museum was founded in 1857. Scarce.


In *Occult Psaligraphy*, Von Tulien expresses these magical states in a series of over 100 papercuts. This bi-lingual text in English and German, includes introductions by the artist and publisher William Kiesel, who speaks to the practice of papercutting in diverse esoteric traditions worldwide, including China, Japan, Mexico, Europe, Indonesia and America.


This edition contains an additional chapter on "Daemonic Language", and a number of black & white images, not included in the standard edition. Standard edition was 72 copies and all are out of print. The book deals with Satanic black magic in the gnostic antinomian approach. Exploring, with a reasonably high intellectual level, the nature of dark matter/energy and how they relate to gnostic cosmononies, etc. It takes a rather empirical approach, contextualizing black magic in theory and practice. Undi, following the publication of this book, underwent a transformation and/or breakdown (depending upon who is speaking) and thus this will be the only book to be published of the intended trilogy. While she is not without controversy, there are those who suggest that it is the strength of this work that drove her from its practices. There is some indication that she only signed approximately 10 of the 27 and, further, that at least 4 of the 27 have been burned.

165. [United Farm Workers]. *Viva La Revolucion, Emiliano Zapata*. Delano CA: El Malcriado [El Taller Gráfico, Farmworker Press], nd [circa 1966]. First printing. Minor edge wear, small area of loss at the left edge, else bright and clean. Heavy red cardstock paper, blank ink. Approx. 17.25x23" Very Good. (#9827) $750.00

"This poster was one of several that were reproduced utilizing the photograph of Emiliano Zapata for the United Farm Workers. The posters were produced under the same printing collective that produced the UFW newspaper, El Malcriado. Both the image and Spanish slogan inspire the Chicano revolutionaries in their own agrarian struggle. Again, the image of Zapata is strong and heroic in order to produce this inspiration."
An iconic image and oft-reprinted poster. Very hard, however, to find as originally issued.
166. Uppercase Magazine; Cooksey, Gabby [Binder]. Stitch-illo [Art Binding]. Uppercase Magazine, 2017. First Edition/Unique Binding. Tight, bright, and unmarred. Full leather design binding, bound in brown goat skin with leather hinges, sewn on raised cords, suede fly-leaf, top edge design with gold foil, brass escutcheon pins riveted on the “pastedown” brass plate, threads of various colors that are tied, woven, and stretched throughout the binding, hand sewn silk endbands, housed in custom clamshell box. 8vo. Illus. (color plates). Fine in Fine Archival Case. Hardcover. (#9444) $2,000.00

“This book was all about stitching, as the name suggests, so I wanted to really emphasize that with a semi-traditional style binding with a twist of weaving, stitching, and knotting. I used the primary colors as the 3 layers of design. The escutcheon pins were my nails that would traditionally hold your design as you weaved.” [artist statement]

167. Uranium Creates a Police State. Sydney, Australia, nd [ca 1976]. First Printing. Appears to have been trimmed on all four sides, tape remains at rear (top visible ‘through’ to front), few small spots of ink, else bright and clean. Letterpress and process block in black ink. Approx. 14x19.5" Good+. (#9834) $175.00

Interesting mixed issue piece, with the anachro community protesting unanium mining. One known copy in an institutional collection, in Australia. No known copy in any US collection.


6 pamphlets plus the oringinal envelope some/all were sent in (from the Maryland Civil Defense Agency). Government issued. Titles include:
1: It CAN Happen Here
2: Fallout Protection: What to Know and Do About Nuclear Attack
3: Your Family Survival Plan
4: Family Shelter Designs
5: Emergency Sanitation at Home


“This collection of 15 miniature books was created by 27 local artists, employing a variety of printing styles including letterpress, lithography, etching, and giclée. The books also showcase several binding styles, such as Coptic, stiff board, accordion, and non-adhesive. And believe us, “miniature” is no exaggeration! At only 2″ wide and 3½" long, these books evidence the artists' clear precision and attention to detail. The books are packaged in a handsome collector’s boxed set.” [publisher's statement]

While 20 to 50 copies of each book were available for individual sale, only 15 sets of this complete collection were created. This is the last of the run. Includes:
3Q15, The copper scroll / Garrett S. Queen --
Prime of life / Addeane Caelleigh --
How to draw a cloud / Dean Doss with others --
A map to--
/ Stacey Evans --
These ancient mountains, a poem by Barney Brown / Bonnie Bernstein & Yolanda Merrill --
Poison sisters / Lana Lambert & Frank Riccio --
Trees are the answer / Janet Eden --
Lost & found / Jennifer Wingard --
Temps perdu, lost time / Michael Swanberg, Mary MacNeil, Alysin Lake & Jennifer Wingard --
Emily Dickinson XXIV / Kirsten Miles & Holly Odom --
The gray goo problem / Kriston Adolfson --
Mother> Bear / Angie Hogan & Roger Williams --
Anticism! Manifesto cries / Kevin McFadden & Katherine McNamara --
Jefferson reappraised / Kevin McFadden & Amber Karnes --
170. [Various]. Dangerous Women [Vernacular Photographs from the Collection of Peter J. Cohen]. nd [circa 1905-70]. Originals. Some show evidence at rear of rough removal from an album, some notations at rear, otherwise bright and clean. Silver prints, 4x2 1/2 to 6 3/4x4 1/2 inches (10.2x6.4 to 17.1x11.4 cm.), and the reverse. Very Good to Near Fine. ($8705) $3,750.00

Group of 26 photographs of powerful women. Various figures and scenes, ranging from a beckoning femme fatale, a woman offering a man an apple, a brunette lighting up a cigarette for the photographer, a tall dark-haired maiden in a sado-masochistic costume, a beautiful nude femme, an aviatrix, a lion tamer, a crossdresser, a tomboy climbing onto a freight car, a well-dressed hiker wielding an ax, a number of farmers and fancy ladies aiming pistols or rifles at family members (or unseen targets), and more. Two have notations at rear: "A holdup somewhere in Montana" [two women holding pistol/rifle on a man]; "Louise + Georgia take aim at John" [two women with rifles aimed at suited man who appears restrained]. From the Collection of Peter J. Cohen. In the spring of 2015, Rizzoli will be publishing a book of select photographs drawn from Cohen's collection entitled "Dangerous Women."


Printed by Scott Vile at Ascensius Press, bound and boxed by Grey Parrot. The only fine press edition of this (or, to date, any) David Foster Wallace.


Broadside for Washington Square Park Smoke In (and subsequent parade up 5th Ave to Central Park). APPARENTLY a rain date for the partially rained out 'Mayday is Jay Day' event ("This is the same event!"). Speakers listed as: Frank Fiormonti (from NORML); Lindsey Audin; Dave Dellinger; A.J. Weberman; Aron Kay; Hank Nusslein...with music and mimes! Photo by Art Zollo (couple with a large jar of joints).


Written as his first science fiction story, the story reflects Wells's own socialist political views, his view on life and abundance, and the contemporary angst about industrial relations...He is attributed with coining the term "time machine." [Pilkington, Ace G. (2017). Science Fiction and Futurism: Their Terms and Ideas. McFarland. p. 137.] The earliest draft of "The Time Machine" was serialized in "The Science Schools Journal" in 1888 as "The Chronic Argonauts." While many scholars "rank it as Wells's best book, certainly its qualities are striking and direct ... All time-travel stories since owe a debt to Wells, none has become so acclaimed." - Bleiler (ed), Science Fiction Writers, p. 26. Important first work of modern science-fiction and a hard science before the beginning of the Golden Age of Science Fiction.--Summarized from Currey.

During his own lifetime, however, Wells was most prominent as a forward-looking, even prophetic social critic who devoted his literary talents to the development of a progressive vision on a global scale. A futurist, he wrote a number of utopian works and foresaw the advent of aircraft, tanks, space travel, nuclear weapons, satellite television and something resembling the World Wide Web.

"An anarchist group which was formed in 1977 as a focus for Anarchist activity in Melbourne. It maintains the Anarchist Media Institute for the purpose of engaging with both the mass media and anarchist groups and organisations in Australia and overseas." "Authorized by: E. Goldman" [joking reference to Emma Goldman]. Rare in institutional holdings. One copy located in Australia, no copies in US.


Loretta J. Williams was one of the first black women on the faculty at Missouri University. She was a professor of sociology and a passionate civil rights activist. She also taught at the State University of New York at Buffalo, the Women's Theological Center in Boston, and Boston University. This volume is the published iteration of her dissertation with the same title which "is the story of the Prince Hall Masons, an organization within the black community established over two hundred years ago. By examining this black organization, from the colonial period to the present, one can more fully understand the struggles of the black, middle-class men. Black Freemasonry, as a separate structure, emerged in response to the discriminatory practices and policies of mainstream American Freemasonry, an institution dedicated to the universal brotherhood of mankind." Publisher. Important and critical work written about marginalized communities within Freemasonry and the intersection of race and class.


Discussion of interment and the substitution of a better method of burial with facts and arguments to support this theme. Williams points out historical data of other cultures forms of burial as well as religious views. Scarce treatise in any condition.


Reazon Belief Truth was designed, illustrated, printed and bound by Thomas Parker Williams. The text was letterpress printed and hand set by Mary Agnes Williams.

"Reason Belief Truth is a book of philosophical investigations begun with three statements:
The truth can be found by...
The truth can not be found by...
The truth can only be found by...
These statements are illustrated on three flaps inside the cover which opens to reveal 21 double-sided cards with terms that may be used to complete the investigations or initiate further debate.

On the rear of each statement is another statement:
Reason is the search for evidence to support a proposition
Belief is the reliance on a personal conviction
Truth is found only if what is found is true." [Publisher's statement].


"Revelation is an interactive artist book that uses a new construction I call the cascading rotary structure. I was inspired by the cut-up method of writing developed by Brion Gysin and William S. Burroughs in the 1950s. For the text I used excerpts from the final book of the New Testament, "The Revelation of Saint John the Divine." It is the most Burroughs-like book in the Bible."
The illustrations are my interpretations of the original first century text. Its powerful, often violent imagery was thought to predict the end times, and was used as a weapon against various factions of believers. Over the centuries, this book has created more dogma and fomented more persecution than any other text in the canonical scriptures. Modern scholarship has established that "The Revelation of Saint John the Divine" was written in code, and meant as a work of protest, a political tract documenting Roman conquest and occupation. For example, the "number of the beast" refers to the numerical value, in Hebrew, of the name of a Roman emperor.

Starting at Revelation's first "Alpha and Omega" image, the viewer rotates the center knob to the left, or counter-clockwise. Ten laser-cut panels advance, each one revealing image and text combinations seen through the fifteen windows of the face plate. When the ending "Alpha and Omega" appears, the viewer resets the sequence by rotating the knob clockwise. Turning the knob in one direction, then the other, can produce dozens of unpredictable combinations. Revelation allows the viewer to interactively cut-up the text to, as Burroughs states, really read between the lines."


"Elizabeth Willis' poetry has been described as hauntingly luminous, hermetic, gorgeous, surprising, and an evocative blend of the lyrical and abstract. The accompanying digital collages are one reader's response to the poems in all their painterly, historic, and scientific evocations. Created digitally, converted photo-chemically, and printed mechanically from 4 color polymer plates on Japanese paper." [from the artist]


"Sam Winston is uniquely alert to the way words take their place in the world as characters in their own right; in his agile and mischievous fingers, each word and even each letter radiates vivid, graphic personality: " "In his agile and mischievous fingers, each word and even each letter radiates vivid, graphic personality. A Dictionary Story is a fairy tale as concrete poem, a typographical romance, filled with wit and tenderness. " – Marina Warner

181. [Young, Art]. ["Arrest This Man"] Reward for information leading to the apprehension of Jesus Christ. Sydney, Australia: Common Publishing, nd [circa 1975]. FIrst Australian Printing. Minor edge wear, else bright and clean. Black ink on white paper. Approx. 15x20". Near Fine. (#9833) $450.00

Australian first known printing of the well known Art Young poster. There are small grammatical changes, the original reads, "Reward. For information leading to the apprehension of —. Jesus Christ. Wanted - for sedition, criminal anarchy - vagrancy, and conspiring to overthrow the established government. Dressed poorly, said to be a carpenter by trade, ill-nourished, has visionary idea, associates with common working people the unemployed and bums. Alien - believed to be a jew. Alias : 'Prince of peace', 'Son of man - Light of the world', &c &c. Professional agitator read heard, marks on hands and feet the result of injuries inflicted by an angry mob led by respectable citizens and legal authorities."