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Alicia Suskin Ostriker
*Winner of a 2017 Jewish Book Award*

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Negotiating Germanness in Twentieth-Century Hungary
John Swanson
*Winner of the 2018 Barbara Jelavich Book Prize*
Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies

**Boy with Thorn**
Rickey Laurentiis
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ANDREI CODRESCU

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—Marjorie Perloff*

“Andrei went to the United States as an adolescent; later I came here (France): we have known each other forever. I read his new book no time like now and see how similar (semblable) we remain in a zoo world of cellphone-users with customs. Older ones who have mastered their art are left with the glee of language. These poems also contain plenty of love.”

—Alice Notley

“On every page, Andrei provides us with a poetic tap on the shoulder: ‘We are still in the wine roses goat and sesame seed phase of the revolution.’ In other words, there is as much joy as there is threat in the world, as much threat as there is possibility; we are called to respond and remember. This collection repairs and raises our spirit(s).”

—Sharon Mesmer

IN CODRESCU’S OWN WORDS:

I wrote my first book of poems, License to Carry a Gun (Big Table, 1970), when I first lived in New York City, 1967–1970. Those were troubled times and I was twenty-one years old. Decades later the city has changed and the times are still troubled. These poems, 2016–2018, try to find out just how changed my dear city and how troubled my days.

—Andrei Codrescu

Andrei Codrescu was born in Sibiu, Transylvania, Romania, and emigrated to the United States in 1966. He is the author of numerous books: poems, novels, and essays. He founded Exquisite Corpse: A Journal of Books and Ideas and was a regular commentator on NPR’s All Things Considered. Codrescu taught literature and poetry at Johns Hopkins University, the University of Baltimore, and Louisiana State University.

MARKETING PLANS

• National Poetry Month promotion
• National print and online review attention; feature interviews
• National author appearances
• Book launch at Strand Bookstore in NYC
• National print and online advertising
ON FORM
I know you hate the poignancy of last lines because they sound like “class dismissed. think of the lesson. it’s not multiple choice.” That’s because one expects the door out of the poem at the end whereas it’s at the start. Read it backwards and you are free just like you were before you came into this kind hell. There is no class but the sonnet lurks somewhere like a naked woman behind a curtain on the third floor of the building across the street. I caught a glimpse and I was happy, I didn’t even think I was a man, proof to the contrary. I was a sonnet with a door. Unfinished line, you upset everyone and it’s a good day whatever the lodgings.

THE REVOLUTION: RETURN TO NEW YORK
for Allen Ginsberg 92nd birthday: Allen, let’s fix America
We are having a revolution: a marketing revolution.
We are still in the wine roses goat and sesame seed phase
of the revolution with a meat body full of unopened taste buds
waiting for the unborn entrepreneurs to open new fragrances
to palates that won’t die until we’ve tasted them. Our revolution
will not stop for dead anybody because as the endorphin receptors multiply there needs to be a lot more cinema and monsters sliced thin in our glass cages diddling Echo and maybe Eros.
Any time now art is just going to land inside and let us out.
Flesh runs a smooth outfit here in the big city brain.
I’m here for altruistic reasons so deliciously selfish I scream from when I wake up until my credit card expires

WRITTEN QUESTION FROM FREUD
Have you thought about not expiring?
I feel much better now that a touch of fall kissed us with a promise of autumn.
Today I plan to study women’s new outfits on the street to divine what’s coming up in the body-public.
Will she wear frilly gauze or the U.S. flag?
The body-public isn’t made of metal like Miss Liberty though I wouldn’t mind seeing them in a catfight.
Objective observer that I am I will deeply respect the outcome. I have my plane tickets already.
It was a personal question. And I am deeply grateful that you asked it. I will now buy a case of mango water for my guests. My farewell party is tomorrow just like my welcome party which was yesterday. No time at all has passed but fashions change. Explain that, science, and you can have my testes.
New & Selected

TOI DERRICOTTE

“The tough and tender intimacies of human bonds bind these marvelous new and selected poems.”

“These exceptional new poems reveal one of America’s strongest and most ardent poets mid-stride, on fire, charging forward toward all that is false in our lives, and in our world. How endlessly grateful I feel that, once again, she has allowed us to accompany her.”

—Robin Coste Lewis

“What song do you sing when you sing ‘so low we can’t hear you’? Toi Derricotte makes poetry of that song. It rises from the houses where you hear the least squealing, it is ‘quieter than blossoms & near invisible.’ It is filled with witness and love for our literal and literary families.”

—Terrance Hayes*

“No writer I know of explores with more honesty the sorrows and wonders and joys and shames and tenderness of being alive. No writer is more tender. And no poems I know of make me feel witnessed, held, beheld, the way Derricotte’s do. Her poems behold us. I am so grateful for these poems. I am so grateful for Derricotte’s beautiful heart.”

—Ross Gay

“The new poems in Toi Derricotte’s collection ‘I’ reveal that she has entered an entire new sphere as a poet, in which the struggles fall away and the spirits take her hands and float her forward. After years of wrestling with her demons, Derricotte has awakened—enlightened, serene, truth coming to her, through her, so casually. She has earned this grace with all her hard work, suffering, and love.”

—Alicia Suskin Ostriker

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How do you gain access to the power of parts of yourself you abhor, and make them sing with beauty, tenderness, and compassion?

This is the record of fifty years of victories in the reclamation of a poet’s voice.
THE BLESSED ANGELS

How much like
angels are these tall
gladiolas in a vase on my coffee
table, as if in a bunch
whispering. How slender
and artless, how scandalously
alive, each with its own
humors and pulse. Each weight-
bearing stem is the stem
of a thought through which
aspires the blood-metal of stars. Each heart
is a gift for the king. When
I was a child, my mother and aunts
would sit in the kitchen
gossiping. One would tip
her head toward me, “Little Ears,”
she’d warn, and the whole room
grew silent. Now, before sunrise,
what secrets I am told!—being
quieter than blossoms and near invisible.

THE ENTHUSIAST

Tweezers & a magnifying mirror
Exaggerate the pores a black hole opens
& pulls my face in a force so great that
My face is pulled apart crushed
Like vanilla wafers (which my mother sometimes shaped into pie crusts!)
All those little fragments but one with a hair thick & black like a
Primeval forest that I whack at though it runs away I
Go at it like sex with all my senses including my hatred
Of the beast in me (though it is sometimes as small
As a zygote). Have you ever scrubbed your chin & felt
(With the fat part of your palm) a relentless
Insurgent?
I learned this from my mother
With what enthusiasm she took up her weapons

Toi Derricotte is the author of The Undertaker’s Daughter and four previous poetry collections, including Tender, winner of the Paterson Poetry Prize. She is the recipient of two Pushcart Prizes and fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Guggenheim Foundation, among other honors. Derricotte is cofounder of Cave Canem, professor emerita at the University of Pittsburgh, and a chancellor of the Academy of American Poets.

MARKETING PLANS

• National Poetry Month promotion
• National print and online review attention; feature interviews
• National and regional author appearances
• Book launch at City of Asylum in Pittsburgh
• National print and online advertising
Spilled and Gone

JESSICA GREENBAUM

“This is deeply satisfying work.”*

“In Spilled and Gone, her new collection of poems, Jessica Greenbaum envisions a Brooklyn that is real and a Brooklyn that is everywhere. She achieves this by a brilliant use of metaphor: her seagulls ‘wheel like immigrating thoughts,’ and a half-moon at dawn is ‘stuck like a dime in the coin slot.’ So, too, her exuberant odes to a potato masher and a stovetop espresso maker raise those mundane objects until they rise off the page. Whatever she entertains—a storm-struck tree, an outdoor concert, her immigrant grandparents, a food truck in Grand Army Plaza—her subject is enlivened by keen observation, a fresh mind, and a vivid sense of place that makes me want to be there, with her, in her world.”

—Grace Schulman

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—Tony Hoagland (1953–2018)*

I WAS WAITING FOR YOU OUTSIDE THE POST OFFICE

I was waiting for you outside the post office
A gray morning, nothing special about it
Except everything, since we were traveling
People walked to work pressing their collars
Closer to their throats, a delivery truck
Almost backed into a parked motorcycle
But by the time I recorded it here and looked up
Both gone. One of this city’s oversized
Pigeons, stocky in a brown turtleneck and
Gray bottom, hustled like a man-in-motion
Among the chimney pots, and no matter the
Stillness of the pale yellow buildings (a hue
Mythically, or stubbornly, without analogue)
No matter the rows of stillness you could tell
The whole city was moving slightly as if
Under water, each limb in the tree crowns
Riding their own eddy, each person striding
Their own path, a window opening and a cat
Threading between parked cars, the sky
Pulling it all along into what might happen
Next, and you arriving, saying, Come with me.

Jessica Greenbaum is the author of Inventing Difficulty, winner of the Gerald Cable Prize, and The Two Yvonnes, chosen by Paul Muldoon for the Princeton Series of Contemporary Poets. She is the recipient of a fellowship from the NEA and of the Alice Fay Di Castagnola Prize from the Poetry Society of America for the poems in Spilled and Gone. She teaches inside and outside academia and lives in her native Brooklyn.

MARKETING PLANS
• National Poetry Month promotion
• National print and online review attention
• Regional author appearances
• Guest panelist at University of Houston
• National print and online advertising
Every Ravening Thing

MARSHA DE LA O

“Every Ravening Thing is the most exciting book I’ve read in a very long time.”*

“At its heart is a profound empathy for human suffering of all kinds, but the poems offer neither solace nor cure. Each feels like a brave experiment that extracts a question from the world then answers it. In almost every poem I feel an unanticipated shock of recognition, which happens only when profundity, clarity, and a fierce allegiance to truth combine in one intelligence. Tough, searing, and dangerous, these are among the rare necessary poems of our age.”

—Chase Twichell*

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—Christopher Buckley

KEATS AT FOURTEEN

She dozes, her nails fretted against the linen’s border, a hectic rose flaming each cheek. Her lips move, no words. The boy is guardian spirit, no one but he enters this sickroom where his mother fades, home finally after six years—failures, disgrace. Scarlet daughter, neighbors hiss, slave to appetite, but John is single-minded—she will live. No one but he gives her the tincture of mercury—one tenth of a grain daily, dabs the sweat of her fevers away, a basket of withered poppies at his feet. He pierces each capsule with a needle, drops it in a small glazed crock to warm near the stove, sweat out the opium. Then he’ll add wine, saffron, nutmeg. It takes time, the hour darkens. He cups his hand to light the votive. She moans a furled voice from webbed lungs, a cup of black blood brimming, the pilgrim is fleeing the City, he leans in closer, the City of Destruction, takes her clammy hand, that place also where he was born, so close now he’s breathing her, “Johnny,” she cries, “lift me up, Johnny, your father is here in the room.”

Marsha de la O is the author of Antidote for Night, winner of the 2015 Isabella Gardner Award, and Black Hope, winner of the New Issues Press Poetry Prize and winner of an Editor’s Choice, Small Press Book Award. Other awards include the Morton Marcus Poetry Award and the da Poetry Award. She has published extensively, including recent poems in The New Yorker and the Kenyon Review, with work forthcoming in Prairie Schooner. De La O lives in Ventura, California, with her husband, poet and editor Phil Taggart. Together, they produce poetry readings and events in Ventura County and edit the literary journal Spillway.

MARKETING PLANS

• National Poetry Month promotion
• National print and online review attention
• Regional author appearances
• National print and online advertising
Playlist

DAVID LEHMAN

“Apt and tender and candid.”*

“What a gorgeous and ambitious poem this is—an elegy, a calendar, an enactment of beauty, a tribute to singers and musicians and those who love them, a musical compilation, a meditation on friendship and art, an evocation of hopefulness and the possibility of enhanced life, a summoning.”
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—Donald Revell*

“As full of light as of music. A prodigious display of musical erudition, offered to the reader with playfulness rather than pretension.”
—Terence Winch

“Pure joy.”
—James Cummins

11 / 22 / 17
A good day for a drive to the country
underneath the apple tree with Carmen McRae
proving you can sing and talk at the same time
“and hear the bluebirds sing” she sings as if
there were a hyphen separating “blue” from “birds”
and we “shoot up” with summertime

David Lehman is the editor of The Oxford Book of American Poetry and Great American Prose Poems. He is also the general editor of the annual The Best American Poetry, which he initiated in 1988. His recent books of poetry include Poems in the Manner Of and New and Selected Poems. He has authored eight nonfiction books, including The State of the Art: A Chronicle of American Poetry, 1988-2014. Lehman has received a Guggenheim Fellowship and an award in literature from the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

MARKETING PLANS

• National Poetry Month promotion
• National print and online review attention
• Regional author appearances
• Online advertising
Even Then
MICHAEL WURSTER

“His poetry strikes a hammer blow to the heart.”*

“It’s been said that W. S. Merwin invented a new poetic idiom. Thus, American poetry took its bold, new direction. The same is true of Michael Wurster who, while surveying the passing of history for over five decades, has pared-down his poet’s language until everything is burned away except the essential truth.”
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“Michael Wurster’s poetry collection, Even Then, highlights his minimalist style, but the art within each piece is maximal. Love and death are strikingly represented in ‘Love Is a Gypsy’ and ‘In a Gray Coat.’ Besides those poems, there are about seventy-seven more to be savored. Even Then is about continuity: of how what happened ‘even then’ continues even now, unto infinity.”
—Rosemary Cappello

MANNEQUINS FROM SPACE

They are like human ghosts walking the road at night,
the moon’s light reflecting off their naked plastic skin.

During the day
they will not sweat,
they will enter McDonald’s
and take what they want,
the styrofoam containers.

They have no interest
in human flesh.

When they reach the mall
they will reproduce
in dressing rooms
and in closets.

Michael Wurster is the author of numerous poetry books and is a founding member of Pittsburgh Poetry Exchange. For seventeen years, he taught at Pittsburgh Center for the Arts School. He is coeditor, with Judith R. Robinson, of the anthology, Along These Rivers: Poetry & Photography from Pittsburgh (Quadrant Press, 2008) and The Brentwood Anthology (Lummox Press, 2014). In 1996 Wurster was an inaugural recipient of a Pittsburgh Magazine Harry Schwalb Excellence in the Arts Award for his contributions to poetry and the community.

MARKETING PLANS
• National Poetry Month promotion
• Regional print and online review attention
• Regional author appearances (Pittsburgh)
• National print and online advertising
ASYLUM
Improvisations on John Clare

LOLA HASKINS

“I recommend this poet to anyone listening for an original voice that is gentle as well as penetrating.”

Past praise for Lola Haskins

“Lola Haskins writes with the startling freedom and grace of a kite flying and with the variety and assurance of invention that reveal, in image after image, the dream of the waking world.”
—W. S. Merwin, two-time winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry, U.S. Poet Laureate 2010

“Ms. Haskins has the wide-eyed power to be tender, vulnerable, and exact. She noses through her amazing world like a baby tortoise, feeling her contours with delicate feet and finding everything weird, and still marvelous.”
—George Macbeth*

“Insightful and beautifully written, Lola Haskin’s poetry is as beguiling as the Florida creeks, tupelo trees, and wading birds that grace its pages. Trusting equally in pen and paddle, Haskins perfectly invokes the blink of rain on a lake’s surface, the moment when a river’s color shifts from clear to amber. In Lola Haskins, water has its own poet laureate.”
—Cynthia Barnett, author of Blue Revolution and Rain: A Natural and Cultural History

CONSTELLATED
When the atoms in my body
return to stars
They will not remember
this five a.m.
out my window,
neither the moor
asleep on the horizon,
nor, across her darkened hips,
the scatters
of bright yellow gorse.

Lola Haskins is the author of twelve books of poetry and three of prose. Among her honors are the Iowa Poetry Prize, two Florida Book Awards, two National Endowment for the Arts fellowships, several awards for narrative poetry, and the Emily Dickinson Prize from Poetry Society of America. She currently serves as honorary chancellor of the Florida State Poets Association. She divides her time between Gainesville, Florida, and Skipton, North Yorkshire.

MARKETING PLANS
• National Poetry Month promotion
• National print and online review attention
• Regional author appearances
• National print and online advertising

Ross Gay is one of University of Pittsburgh Press’s bestselling poets, with more than 30,000 copies of *Catalog of Unabashed Gratitude* (2015) and *Bringing Down the Shovel* (2011) sold worldwide.

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Poetry

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Pale Horse
A Novel of Revolutionary Russia

BORIS SAVINKOV, TRANSLATED BY MICHAEL KATZ

A Fictionalized Account of the Assassination of the Russian Grand Duke Sergei Alexandrovich, Written by the Leader of the Terrorist Cell Who Organized the Real Murder

“Expertly introduced and translated, Pale Horse takes its place for English-language readers in a Russian tradition of novels about radical intellectuals that stretches from Turgenev and Dostoevsky to Bely and writers of the early Soviet period. Its characters are as ambiguous as Savinkov himself — terrorist and confessional writer, Social Revolutionary and proto-fascist. Essential reading for anyone interested in Russian modernism or in the terrorist mentality.”
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Michael Katz is C. V. Starr Professor Emeritus of Russian and East European Studies at Middlebury College.

MARKETING PLANS
• Father’s Day promotion
• Academic and trade outreach
• National and online review attention

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BRAD FELVER
WINNER OF THE 2018 DRUE HEINZ LITERATURE PRIZE

“Felver’s writing is sharp and insightful. His stories evoke the style and themes of writers ranging from Richard Russo to Rick Bass to Andre Dubus III and, in the particularly brutal surrealist title story, ‘The Dogs of Detroit,’ Cormac McCarthy. A substantial debut by a promising and confident new writer. “
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The Untold Story of Carnegie’s Prized Dinosaur and Its Influence on European Culture

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In early July 1899, an excavation team of paleontologists sponsored by Andrew Carnegie discovered the fossil remains in Wyoming of what was then the longest and largest dinosaur on record. Named after its benefactor, the *Diplodocus carnegii*—or Dippy, as it’s known today—was shipped to Pittsburgh and later mounted and unveiled at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History in 1907. Carnegie’s pursuit of dinosaurs in the American West and the ensuing dinomania of the late nineteenth century coincided with his broader political ambitions to establish a lasting world peace and avoid further international conflict. An ardent philanthropist and patriot, Carnegie gifted his first plaster cast of Dippy to the British Museum at the behest of King Edward VII in 1902, an impulsive diplomatic gesture that would result in the donation of at least seven reproductions to museums across Europe and Latin America over the next decade, in England, Germany, France, Austria, Italy, Russia, Argentina, and Spain. In this largely untold history, Ilja Nieuwland explores the influence of Andrew Carnegie’s prized skeleton on European culture through the dissemination, reception, and agency of his plaster casts, revealing much about the social, political, cultural, and scientific context of the early twentieth century.

Above left, Koch’s *Hydrarchos harlani* exhibit; below left, Arthur S. Coggeshall next to the cast of Diplodocus carnegii at the British Museum; right, “Mr. Carnegie’s Gift of the Skeleton of a 70-Foot Diplodocus to the King and What May Come of It If It Sets a Fashion.” *Sketch*, April 12, 1905.

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Faith, the Future, and America’s Final Frontier

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Divine Destiny and the Popularization of Space Exploration in America

“Destined for the Stars is well conceived, splendidly narrated, and cleverly argued. It makes a genuine contribution to both the history of science and technology and American religious history, with rare potential to change one of the shibboleths of American popular and scholarly history—that America embarked on space exploration to beat the Soviet Union to the moon.”

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Where did humanity get the idea that outer space is a frontier waiting to be explored? Destined for the Stars unravels the popularization of the science of space exploration in America between 1944 and 1955, arguing that the success of the US space program was due not to technological or economic superiority but was sustained by a culture that had long believed it was called by God to settle new frontiers and prepare for the inevitable end of time and God’s final judgment. Religious forces, Newell finds, were in no small way responsible for the crescendo of support for and interest in space exploration in the early 1950s, well before Project Mercury—the United States’ first human spaceflight program—began in 1959.

In this remarkable history, Newell explores the connection between the art of Chesley Bonestell—the father of modern space art whose paintings drew inspiration from depictions of the American West—and the popularity of that art in Cold War America; Bonestell’s working partnership with science writer and rocket expert Willy Ley; and Ley and Bonestell’s relationship with Wernher von Braun, father of both the V-2 missile and the Saturn V rocket, whose millennial conviction that God wanted humankind to leave Earth and explore other planets animated his life’s work. Together, they inspired a technological and scientific faith that awoke a deep-seated belief in a sense of divine destiny to reach the heavens. The origins of their quest, Newell concludes, had less to do with the Cold War strife commonly associated with the space race and everything to do with the religious culture that contributed to the invention of space as the final frontier.
On the End of Privacy
Dissolving Boundaries in a Screen-Centric World

RICHARD E. MILLER

The Anxiety of Transparency in an Age of Electronic Innovation and Intrusion

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In preparation for this book, and to better understand our screen-based, digital world, Miller only accessed information online for seven years.

On the End of Privacy explores how literacy is transformed by online technology that lets us instantly publish anything that we can see or hear. Miller examines the 2010 suicide of Tyler Clementi, a young college student who jumped off the George Washington Bridge after he discovered that his roommate spied on him via webcam. With access to the text messages, tweets, and chatroom posts of those directly involved in this tragedy, Miller asks: Why did no one intervene to stop the spying? Searching for an answer to that question leads Miller to online porn sites, the invention of Facebook, the court-martial of Chelsea Manning, the contents of Hillary Clinton’s email server, Anthony Weiner’s sexted images, Chatroulette, and more as he maps out the changing norms governing privacy in the digital age.

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Grace Kennan Warnecke’s memoir is about a life lived on the edge of history. Daughter of one of the most influential diplomats of the twentieth century, wife of the scion of a newspaper dynasty, and mother of the youngest owner of a major league baseball team, Warnecke eventually found her way out from under the shadows of others to forge a dynamic career of her own.

Born in Latvia, Warnecke lived in seven countries and spoke five languages before the age of eleven. As a child, she witnessed Hitler’s march into Prague, attended a Soviet school during World War II, and sailed the seas with her father. In a multifaceted career, she worked as a professional photographer, television producer, and book editor and critic. Eventually, like her father, she became a Russian specialist, but of a very different kind. She accompanied Ted Kennedy and his family to Russia, escorted Joan Baez to Moscow to meet with dissident Andrei Sakharov, and hosted Josef Stalin’s daughter on the family farm after Svetlana defected to the United States. While running her own consulting company in Russia, she witnessed the breakup of the Soviet Union, and later became director of a women’s economic empowerment project in a newly independent Ukraine.

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Grace Kennan Warnecke is chairman of the board of the National Committee on American Foreign Policy. A fellow of Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and member of the advisory council of the Kennan Institute, she is former chair of the National Advisory Council at the Harriman Institute and has held numerous positions in the public and private sector. Additionally, Warnecke was associate producer of the prize-winning PBS documentary The First Fifty Years: Reflections on U.S.-Soviet Relations.
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The Spencers of Amberson Avenue
A Turn-of-the-Century Memoir

ETHEL SPENCER
Photographs by Charles Hart Spencer
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A Portrait of Urban Family Life in Pittsburgh at the Onset of the City’s Industrial Growth

This memoir introduces the family of Charles Hart Spencer and his wife Mary Acheson: seven children born between 1884 and 1895. In a large Victorian house in Shadyside (an affluent Pittsburgh neighborhood), the family begins a middle-class way of life at the turn of the century. Mr. Spencer, who worked—not very happily—for Henry Clay Frick, was one of the growing number of middle-management employees in American industrial cities in the 1880s and 1890s. His income, which supported his family of nine, a cook, two regular nurses, and at times a wet nurse and her baby, guaranteed a comfortable life but not a luxurious one. The Spencers represent a class that “too often stands silent or stereotyped as we rush forward toward the greater glamour of the robber barons or their immigrant workers.”

Through the eyes of Ethel Spencer, the third daughter, the reader is led through the routine of everyday life in the Spencer household: school, play, church on Sundays, illness, family celebrations, and vacations. Ethel was an observant child, with little sentimentality, and she wrote her memoir in later life as a professor of English with a gift for clear prose and the instincts of an anthropologist. The Spencers of Amberson Avenue offers fascinating insight into middle-class Pittsburgh urban life.

The book is richly illustrated with family photographs taken by Charles Spencer, who was a talented amateur photographer.

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MARTA PISETSKA FARLEY

A Definitive Account of Traditional Ukrainian Culture through the Lens of Family Rituals, Food, and Drink

Ukrainian cooking embodies national and ethnic tastes and reflects the spiritual and social awareness of Ukrainians. More than just a cookbook, Festive Ukrainian Cooking is a definitive account of traditional Ukrainian culture as perpetuated in family rituals and celebrated with elegantly prepared food and drink. Working from original sources in Ukrainian, Russian, and Polish, and drawing on experience as an accomplished cook, Marta Pisetska Farley arranges these recipes as they were enjoyed throughout the year, beginning with kolach, a glazed braided bread sprinkled with poppy seeds, for Christmas Eve, and ending with succulent dishes made with wild mushrooms harvested in the fall. Chapter introductions describe the folkways associated with major holidays and family events and the symbolic and celebratory role of food appropriate to each. Festive Ukrainian Cooking, records these traditions and adapts old-style recipes for the modern kitchen.

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Of Greater Dignity than Riches
Austerity and Housing Design in India

FARHAN KARIM

A Comprehensive History of the Architectural Design Projects That Defined India

“Of Greater Dignity than Riches makes a much-needed contribution to the all-important—and still ongoing—discussion of the ‘minimum house’ in South Asia. Farhan Karim’s work complements a growing general body of interest in colonial and postcolonial architecture of the Indian subcontinent. His deft analysis of modernisms of architecture engaged by the Nehruvian state, beyond those in Chandigarh and Ahmedabad, is badly needed.”
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—Esra Akcan, Cornell University

Extreme poverty, which intensified in India during colonial rule, peaked in the 1920s—after decades of imperialist exploitation, famine, and disease—a time when architects, engineers, and city authorities proposed a new type of housing for India’s urban poor and industrial workers. As Farhan Karim argues, economic scarcity became a central inspiration for architectural modernism in the subcontinent.

As India moved from colonial rule to independence, the Indian government, business entities, international NGOs, and intergovernmental agencies took major initiatives to modernize housing conditions and the domestic environment of the state’s low-income population. Of Greater Dignity than Riches traces multiple international origins of austerity as an essential ingredient of postcolonial development. By prescribing model villages, communities, and ideal houses for the working class, this project of austerity eventually reduced poverty into a stylized architectural representation. In this rich and original study, Karim explains the postwar and postcolonial history of low-cost housing as an intertwined process of global transfers of knowledge, Cold War cultural politics, postcolonial nationalism, and the politics of economic development.

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Regenerating Dixie is the first book that traces the electrification of the US South from the 1880s to the 1970s. It emphasizes that electricity was not solely the result of technological innovation or federal intervention. Instead, it was a multifaceted process that influenced, and was influenced by, environmental alterations, political machinations, business practices, and social matters. Although it generally hewed to national and global patterns, Southern electrification charted a distinctive and instructive path and, despite orthodoxies to the contrary, stood at the cutting edge of electrification from the late 1800s onward. Its story speaks to the ways Southern experiences with electrification reflected and influenced larger American models of energy development.

Inasmuch as the South has something to teach us about the history of American electrification, electrification also reveals things about the South’s past. The electric industry was no mere accessory to the “New South” agenda—the ongoing project of rehabilitating Dixie after the Civil War and Reconstruction. Electricity powered industrialism, consumerism, urban growth, and war. It moved people across town, changed land- and waterscapes, stoked racial conflict, sparked political fights, and lit homes and farms. Electricity underwrote people’s daily lives across a century of Southern history.

But it was not simply imposed on the South. In fact, one of Regenerating Dixie’s central lessons is that people have always mattered in energy history. The story of Southern electrification is part of the broader struggle for democracy in the American past and includes a range of expected and unexpected actors and events. It also offers insights into our current predicaments with matters of energy and sustainability.
Legacy Cities
Continuity and Change amid Decline and Revival

Edited by J. ROSIE TIGHE
and STEPHANIE RYBERG-WEBSTER

The Rise, Fall, and Potential Revival of Postindustrial Rust Belt Cities, with a Focus on Cleveland, Ohio

“The major contributions of Legacy Cities are that it illustrates change is in the wind, which is being powered by organized citizen action at the neighborhood level, that despite the inability of city governments to take extensive transformative efforts, the citizens are marshalling resources and forces for positive change, and that, as with Ezekiel, there is still life in these old bones.”
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“Legacy Cities fills a much needed gap in the literature on early twentieth-century American cities, like Pittsburgh and Cleveland, as well as others in the Rust Belt. The contributors provide good discussions of several important considerations cities must confront, including the role of citizen engagement in the planning process; the condition and quality of rental property at the lower end of the rent spectrum; dealing with the unfinished business of racial reconciliation; and a very important chapter on local policing in a contemporary context.”
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Legacy cities, also commonly referred to as shrinking, or postindustrial cities, are places that have experienced sustained population loss and economic contraction. In the United States legacy cities are those that are largely within the Rust Belt that thrived during the first half of the twentieth century. In the second half of the century, these cities declined in economic power and population leaving a legacy of housing stock, warehouse districts, and infrastructure that is ripe for revitalization. This volume explores not only the commonalities across legacy cities in terms of industrial heritage and population decline but also their differences. Legacy Cities poses the questions: What are the legacies of these cities? How do these legacies drive contemporary urban policy, planning and decision making? And what are the prospects for the future of these cities? Contributors primarily focus on Cleveland, Ohio, but all Rust Belt cities are discussed.

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An Exploration of Ayn Rand’s Political Philosophy

“Ayn Rand’s political philosophy has had a profound effect on American politics in the past half-century, and yet there has been comparatively little scholarly discussion of it. Foundations of a Free Society goes a long way toward fixing that. Rand’s philosophy is presented by advocates and critically evaluated by knowledgeable and sympathetic opponents who situate Rand as a classical liberal in a larger tradition.”

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Mechanism
A Visual, Lexical, and Conceptual History
DOMENICO BERTOLONI MELI
A Historical Investigation of Mechanism in Seventeenth-Century Debates

“This is an innovative book. Drawing on a profound knowledge of Marcello Malpighi and his intellectual milieu, as well as expertise in the study of the early modern life sciences more generally, Bertoloni Meli has genuinely complemented the recent literature on early modern mechanism and mechanical philosophy. An added bonus is his focus on visual representation, a rich seam that renders the book accessible to a wider readership than a pure philosophical or historical study.”
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“We have not been clear about the various ways in which early modern figures thought about mechanism, and in absence of such clarity, our philosophical and historical work has been less rich and accurate than it might otherwise be. This book takes an important step in correcting the problem. Bertoloni Meli also does a wonderful job of synthesizing the material on mechanism with developments in the life sciences of the early modern period, another topic of intensive current scholarly interest.”
—Karen Detlefsen, University of Pennsylvania

The mechanical philosophy first emerged as a leading player on the intellectual scene in the early modern period—seeking to explain all natural phenomena through the physics of matter and motion—and the term mechanism was coined. Over time, natural phenomena came to be understood through machine analogies and explanations and the very word mechanism, a suggestive and ambiguous expression, took on a host of different meanings. Emphasizing the important role of key ancient and early modern protagonists, from Galen to Robert Boyle, this book offers a historical investigation of the term mechanism from the late Renaissance to the end of the seventeenth century, at a time when it was used rather frequently in complex debates about the nature of the notion of the soul. In this rich and detailed study, Domenico Bertoloni Meli focuses on strategies for discussing the notion of mechanism in historically sensitive ways; the relation between mechanism, visual representation, and anatomy; the usage and meaning of the term in early modern times; and Marcello Malpighi and the problems of fecundation and generation, among the most challenging topics to investigate from a mechanistic standpoint.

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A New Order of Medicine

The Rise of Physicians in Reformation Nuremberg

HANNAH MURPHY

The Construction of Medical Privilege and a New Argument about Medical “Progress”

“Hannah Murphy takes us on a fascinating adventure through the professional world of Renaissance physicians, illuminating the civic commitments that shaped their identity, the new and traditional areas of expertise they relied on, and the richness of their own scriptorial and editorial experiences. Her book makes a valuable contribution to our understanding of Galenism, the professional contours of medicine, and the Reformation among learned figures in the early modern period.”

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“Murphy’s exceptional book offers impressive insights into the rise of physicians’ social and political authority in sixteenth-century Nuremberg. With new analytical approaches that uncover deeper dimensions of physicians’ scholarly practices and ambitions, her work adds much to our knowledge of a pivotal time when Renaissance medicine rethought its foundations and place in society.”

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The sixteenth century saw an unprecedented growth in the number of educated physicians practicing in German cities. Concentrating on Nuremberg, A New Order of Medicine follows the intertwined careers of municipal physicians as they encountered the challenges of the Reformation city for the first time. Although conservative in their professed Galenism, these men were eclectic in their practices, which ranged from book collecting to botany to subversive anatomical experimentations. Their interests and ambitions lead to local controversy. Over a twenty-year campaign, apothecaries were wrested from their place at the forefront of medical practice, no longer able to innovate remedies, while physicians, recent arrivals in the city, established themselves as the leading authorities. Examining archives, manuscript records, printed texts, and material and visual sources, and considering a wide range of diseases, Hannah Murphy offers the first systematic interpretation of the growth of elite medical “practice,” its relationship to Galenic theory, and the emergence of medical order in the contested world of the German city.

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Drugs on the Page
Pharmacopoeias and Healing Knowledge in the Early Modern Atlantic World
Edited by MATTHEW JAMES CRAWFORD and JOSEPH M. GABRIEL

Experiencing the Circulation, Commodification, and Organization of Healing Goods and Healing Knowledge

“Drugs on the Page offers a comprehensive, comparative analysis of how pharmacopoeias, and lists of medical knowledge, developed in the early modern world and deftly argues for their central importance in the business of healing. This volume is a major work in the history of medicine, particularly in the history of pharmaceutical drugs, and will be the definitive volume on pharmacopoeias for years to come.”
—Dániel Margócsy, University of Cambridge

“This volume is a much-needed foray into the topic of cross-cultural pharmaceutical knowledge. Its broad view of the pharmacopoeia, which includes just about any form of systematic writing about herbs, works beautifully in drawing connections between different geographical contexts and multivalent pharmaceutical traditions, especially in the context of expanding European empires. An exciting and thought-provoking collection.”
—Alisha Rankin, author of Panacea’s Daughters: Noblewomen as Healers in Early Modern Germany

In the early modern Atlantic world, pharmacopoeias—official lists of medicaments and medicinal preparations published by municipal, national, or imperial governments—organized the world of healing goods, giving rise to new and valuable medical commodities such as cinchona bark, guaiacum, and ipecac. Pharmacopoeias and related texts, developed by governments and official medical bodies as a means to standardize therapeutic practice, were particularly important to scientific and colonial enterprises. They served, in part, as tools for making sense of encounters with a diversity of peoples, places, and things provoked by the commercial and colonial expansion of early modern Europe.

Drugs on the Page explores practices of recording, organizing, and transmitting information about medicinal substances by artisans, colonial officials, indigenous peoples, and others who, unlike European pharmacists and physicians, rarely had a recognized role in the production of official texts and medicines. Drawing on examples across various national and imperial contexts, contributors to this volume offer new and valuable insights into the entangled histories of knowledge resulting from interactions and negotiations between Europeans, Africans, and Native Americans from 1500 to 1850.
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Medicine and Modernity in Nineteenth-Century Britain

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“Anxious Times demonstrates that doctors and ordinary citizens were just as concerned about the effects of modern technology in the nineteenth century as people are today, and these earlier fears can be revealing. The authors take an original approach to the relationship between technological growth and public and medical perceptions of nervousness, physical debilitation, and mental illness by examining hidden, unexpected responses to overstimulation and bringing valuable new evidence to light.”

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Much like the Information Age of the twenty-first century, the Industrial Age was a period of great social changes brought about by rapid industrialization and urbanization, speed of travel, and global communications. The literature, medicine, science, and popular journalism of the nineteenth century attempted to diagnose problems of the mind and body that such drastic transformations were thought to generate: a range of conditions or “diseases of modernity” resulting from specific changes in the social and physical environment. The alarmist rhetoric of newspapers and popular periodicals, advertising various “neurotic remedies,” in turn inspired a new class of physicians and quack medical practices devoted to the treatment and perpetuation of such conditions.

Anxious Times examines perceptions of the pressures of modern life and their impact on bodily and mental health in nineteenth-century Britain. The authors explore anxieties stemming from the potentially harmful impact of new technologies, changing work and leisure practices, and evolving cultural pressures and expectations within rapidly changing external environments. Their work reveals how an earlier age confronted the challenges of seemingly unprecedented change, and diagnosed transformations in both the culture of the era and the life of the mind.

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Attempts to distinguish a science of life at the turn of the nineteenth century faced a number of challenges. A central difficulty was clearly demarcating the living from the nonliving, experimentally and conceptually. The more closely the boundaries between organic and inorganic phenomena were examined, the more they expanded and thwarted any clear delineation. Experimenting at the Boundaries of Life traces the debates surrounding the first articulations of a science of life in a variety of texts and practices centered on German contexts. Joan Steigerwald examines the experiments on the processes of organic vitality, such as excitability and generation, undertaken across the fields of natural history, physiology, physics, and chemistry. She highlights the sophisticated reflections on the problem of experimenting on living beings by investigators and relates these epistemic concerns directly to the philosophies of nature of Kant and Schelling. Her book skillfully ties these epistemic reflections to arguments by the Romantic writers Novalis and Goethe for the aesthetic aspects of inquiries into the living world and the figurative languages in which understandings of nature were expressed.

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Trade flowed across Eurasia, around the Indian Ocean, and over the Mediterranean for millennia, but in the early modern period, larger parts of the globe became connected through these established trade routes. Knowledge, embodied in various people, materials, texts, objects, and practices, also moved and came together along these routes in hubs of exchange where different social and cultural groups intersected and interacted.

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Joseph Hartman focuses on the public works campaign of Cuban president, and later dictator, Gerardo Machado. Political histories often condemn Machado as a US puppet dictator, overthrown in a labor revolt and popular revolution in 1933. Architectural histories tend to catalogue his regime’s public works as derivatives of US and European models. Dictator’s Dreamscape reassesses the regime’s public works program as a highly nuanced visual project embedded in centuries-old representations of Cuba alongside wider debates on the nature of art and architecture in general, especially in regards to globalization and the spread of US-style consumerism. The cultural production overseen by Machado gives a fresh and greatly broadened perspective on his regime’s accomplishments, failures, and crimes. The book addresses the regime’s architectural program as a visual and architectonic response to debates over Cuban national identity, US imperialism, and Machado’s own cult of personality.

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The Open Invitation explores the relationship between prefigurative politics and activist video. Schiwy analyzes activist videos from the 2006 uprising in Oaxaca, the Zapatista’s Other Campaign, as well as collaborative and community video from the Yucatán. Schiwy argues that transnational activist videos and community videos in indigenous languages reveal collaborations and that their political impact cannot be grasped through the concept of the public sphere. Instead, she places these videos in dialogue with recent efforts to understand the political with communality, a mode of governance articulated in indigenous struggles for autonomy, and with cinematic politics of affect.

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