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University Press of Mississippi is proud to announce the creation of three new staff positions, bringing the staff size to twenty-three full-time employees plus part-time aides and interns, the largest staff in the Press's history. These new staff members join a Press that is thriving despite the chaos of the world around us. The current catalog and the one prior feature ninety-six new books with publication dates from September 2021 to August 2022, along with twelve titles published for the first time in paperback, and the announcement of two new series, bringing the total to twenty-five active series. These catalogs represent the greatest annual output in the history of the Press.

The staff of University Press of Mississippi deserves full credit for this success, but of course it is impossible without our readers and the dedicated partners who bring our books to customers. We cannot share our books with the world without booksellers, librarians, friends, and colleagues, many of whom have experienced difficult days during the past two years. We encourage everyone to visit your local bookstore and support them by buying our books at those stores. Our region is blessed with many fabulous stores, particularly in Mississippi and Louisiana, and anyone who loves books should visit these shops and delight in the joy of discovery.

-CRAIG W. GILL, Director

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GARDENING / PHOTOGRAPHY / OUTDOORS

# Southern Gardening All Year Long Gary R. Bachman

A common-sense guide to the dynamic landscapes of Mississippi and southeastern gardening

"Southern Gardening All Year Long offers sound advice from a down-to-earth gardener and professor of horticulture who is friend to all. This book is easy to digest, laid-back, and entertaining for anyone from a beginner to the avid gardener."

—Heather Kirk-Ballard, assistant professor in the School of Plant, Environmental and Soil Sciences at Louisiana State University

"Gary R. Bachman's unique gardening narrative is not readily available anywhere else. *Southern Gardening All Year Long* will be a valuable source for gardeners, providing exceptional ideas and concepts in addition to insight on plants for success."

-Allen Owings, senior horticulturist at Bracy's Nursery and Clegg's Nursery

*Southern Gardening All Year Long* approaches southern landscapes from a different perspective. Instead of encyclopedic lists and articles focused on botanical gardens or someone else's landscape, author and host of *Southern Gardening* Gary R. Bachman connects with his audience through personal stories that share his expertise gained over decades of planting, all told in an easily digestible format. Bachman's personal, conversational writing makes *Southern Gardening All Year Long* an old-fashioned, over-the-fence chat with a knowledgeable and helpful neighbor.

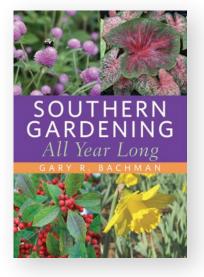
Just as he has done in newspapers, and on television and radio, with *Southern Gardening All Year Long*, Bachman hopes to help gardeners be successful in their own landscapes, alleviate some of the apprehension new gardeners feel, and inspire experienced gardeners to try new plants instead of the same old plantings every year. Gardening success doesn't always follow steps 1-2-3, but Bachman encourages readers not to worry about plants that don't survive. Failures happen in gardens every season. Offering a variety of tips and tricks and over 170 color images, *Southern Gardening All Year Long* will become a gardener's best friend.

**Gary R. Bachman** is well known as the host of Mississippi State University Extension Service's award-winning *Southern Gardening* television, newspaper, radio, and social media franchise. Through his personal, conversational style, Bachman has made a tremendous impact on consumers of horticultural products and services in Mississippi and across the Southeast.

Photographs by Gary R. Bachman

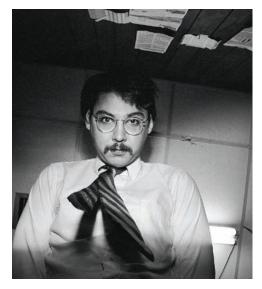




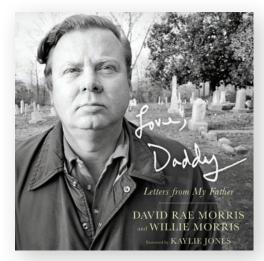


March 208 pages, (approx.), 7 x 10 inches, 171 color illustrations Printed casebinding **\$99.00S** 978-1-4968-3851-3 Paper **\$25.00T** 978-1-4968-3890-2 Ebook available





A poignant collection of letters from Willie Morris accompanied by photographs by his son, David Rae Morris



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BIOGRAPHY / PHOTOGRAPHY / MISSISSIPPI

Love, Daddy Letters from My Father David Rae Morris and Willie Morris Foreword by Kaylie Jones

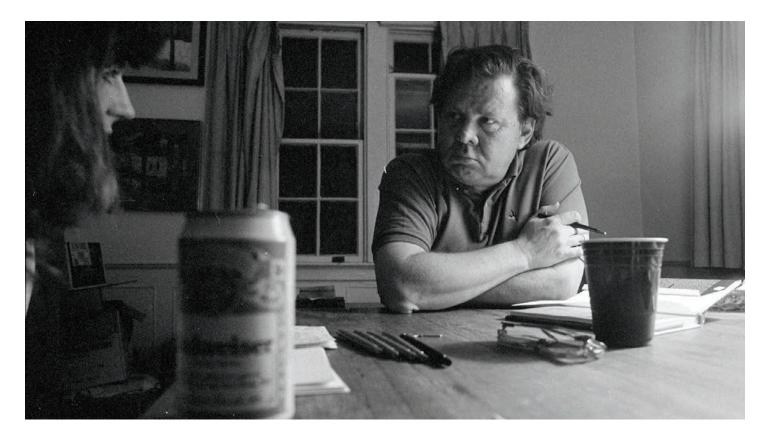
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*Love, Daddy: Letters from My Father* examines the complexities of father-and-son relationships through letters and photographs. Willie Morris wrote scores of letters to his only son, David Rae Morris, from the mid-1970s until Willie's death in 1999. From David Rae's perspective, his father was often emotionally disconnected and lived a peculiar lifestyle, often staying out carousing well into the night. But Willie Morris was an eloquent and accomplished writer and began to write his son long, loving, and supportive letters when David Rae was still in high school. An aspiring photographer, David Rae was confused and befuddled by his father's warring personalities and began photographing Willie using the camera as a buffer to protect himself and his emotions.

The collection begins in early 1976 and continues for more than twenty years as David Rae moved about the country, living in New York, Massachusetts, Texas, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Minnesota, before finally settling in Louisiana. "All the while my father was writing to me I somehow managed to save his letters," David Rae wrote. "I left them in storage and in boxes and in piles of clutter on desks and in basements. They were kind, offering a love that he found difficult to express openly and directly. He simply was more comfortable communicating through letters."

The letters cover topics ranging from writing, the weather, Willie's return to Mississippi in 1980, the Ole Miss football season, and local town gossip to the fleas on the dog to just life and how it's lived. Likewise, the photographs are portraits, documentary images of daily life, dinners, outings, and private moments. Together they narrate and illuminate the complexities of one family relationship and how, for better or worse, that love endures the passage of time.

Photographs by David Rae Morris



#### "March 28, 1978

Your great talent, I think, lies in your photography. Even when you were very young, you were always taking pictures with a camera, just as I was at your age on my type-writer. It is your own genius, and I think you should stick to it. Great photography, as with all creative and wonderful things which matter, is part of the artist himself, and his enormous dedication."

#### "2/15/1979

It's been bitter cold here, about the coldest weather I've ever known in my life. I'm deeply into *Taps*. I hope it will be the finest thing I've ever done—it's about growing up, about one's first encounter with death and love, and the beauty of the Lord's earth, with a story line that encompasses a good deal of what I've learned about the complexity of being human. It's closer to the controlled emotions of *The Great Gatsby*, say, than it is to *The Bear* or *Look Homeward*, *Angel*, or at least I think so, and at any rate I don't think you'll be ashamed of me for this."

#### "April 28 '85

This is hard for me to say, but I just hope that someday you'll have a son (or daughter) who you'll be as proud of as I am of mine. Love, Daddy

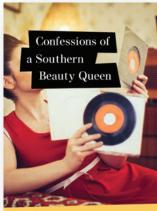
p.s. I almost didn't mail this, but re-read it. Hell, I love you."

Photographs by **David Rae Morris** have appeared in numerous publications including *Time*, *Newsweek*, USA Today, the *New York Times*, and *National Geographic*, as well as in *Missing New Orleans*, *Before (During) After: Ten Photographers' Visual Reactions to Hurricane Katrina; Katrina Exposed: A Photographic Reckoning*; and *My Mississippi*, published by University Press of Mississippi. He has made several documentary films including *Yazoo Revisited: Integration and Segregation in a Deep Southern Town*, which won the "Most Transformative Film" award at the 2015 Crossroads Film Festival in Jackson. **Willie Morris** (1934–1999) came to national prominence in the early 1960s as the youngest-ever editor of *Harper's* magazine. His first book, *North Toward Home*, became an instant classic. Among his other notable books are *The Courting of Marcus Dupree*, *New York Days*, *My Dog Skip*, *Homecomings*, and *My Mississippi*.





# **Confessions of a Southern Beauty Queen Julie Hines Mabus**



Julie Hines Mabus

A coming-of-age story of a young woman navigating a turbulent and changing South

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"Confessions of a Southern Beauty Queen is uniquely eclectic. If one has a passion for music, history, nature, architecture, fashion, romance, or anthropology, they will find themselves enraptured." -Beth Henley, Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright and screenwriter

"Julie Hines Mabus has captured a snapshot of a bygone era in the South that interestingly weaves factual, historical elements of the Memphis blues music industry and segregation/integration."

-Poppy Tooker, cookbook author and host of radio show and podcast Louisiana Eats!

In the late 1960s, Patsy Channing, a stunningly beautiful young woman, was suspended from the venerable Mississippi State College for Women for breach of conduct. The resulting scandal reached all the way to the Columbus courthouse and the press ate it up.

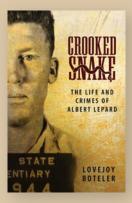
But Patsy's story starts long before that, living with a preoccupied and troubled mother in Memphis, Tennessee. As Patsy grows up, she buries the memories of her unspeakable childhood trauma and is determined to have a normal life. Music becomes her ticket out and a vehicle for the one thing she covets most-a chance to be crowned Miss America.

In Confessions of a Southern Beauty Queen, Julie Hines Mabus provides a peek into that world-a world struggling through the civil rights movement, reeling from the death of JFK, and cutting loose with the musical innovations from Memphis and Detroit.

Julie Hines Mabus is a freelance writer and college tutor in Oxford, Mississippi. She has used her CPA to found two nonprofits for Sudanese children who escaped war and ultimately settled in her hometown of Jackson, Mississippi.

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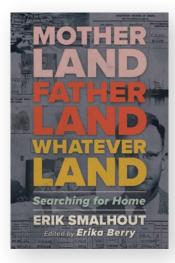


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# Motherland, Fatherland, Whateverland

Searching for Home Erik Smalhout Edited by Erika Berry



From the former Dutch East Indies to the Mississippi Delta, the touching, true story of a man's search for home

March 320 pages (approx.), 6.125 x 9.25 inches, 31 b&w illustrations Cloth **\$35.00T** 978-1-4968-3920-6 Ebook available Erik Smalhout was born a child of privilege in the Netherlands East Indies. Smalhout's father sent his unruly son to a boarding school in Australia, just months before the Japanese seized the Netherlands East Indies in early 1942. While young Smalhout adapted to life in rural Australia, his sister and father back home were placed in Japanese prison camps, an experience that proved fateful for his father and changed his sister's life forever. Serendipity followed him through induction in the WWII Dutch military, his postwar service on merchant ships circling the globe, and eventually to the most southern place on earth: the Mississippi Delta.

Smalhout spent the rest of his life adapting to challenging circumstances time after time: first as a progressive Dutchman in the American South, then as an IRS agent in the nation's second-largest financial center, and finally as a man who, due to a diagnosis of Alzheimer's, often could not identify himself. *Motherland, Fatherland, Whateverland: Searching for Home* is Smalhout's memoir, edited by his granddaughter, Erika Berry, and supported with pictures and documents that he saved throughout his lifetime.

**Erik Smalhout** (1926–2008) was born in Batavia, Indonesia. He was educated in Perth, Australia, and served during World War II as a librarian in the intelligence service of the 18th squadron of the Netherlands Air Force before traveling the globe as a purser with the Royal Rotterdam Lloyd Steamship Corporation. He moved to Leland, Mississippi, in 1949 and was an employee of the Internal Revenue Service in Charlotte, North Carolina, for thirty-one years. **Erika Berry** began her career in public education as a middle-grades math teacher in Charlotte, North Carolina. She has since worked in education policy with various state agencies and nonprofits throughout Mississippi, Tennessee, and North Carolina.

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# The Golden Age Musicals of Darryl F. Zanuck

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> The Gentleman Preferred Blondes



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-Marion Meade, biographer of Buster Keaton and Woody Allen

Beginning with *The Jazz Singer* (1927) and *42nd Street* (1933), legendary Hollywood film producer Darryl F. Zanuck (1902–1979) revolutionized the movie musical, cementing its place in American popular culture. Zanuck became a top production executive at Warner Bros. in the later 1920s and early 1930s. Leaving that studio in 1933, he and industry executive Joseph Schenck formed Twentieth Century Pictures, an independent Hollywood motion picture production company. In 1935, Zanuck merged his Twentieth Century Pictures with the ailing Fox Film Corporation, resulting in the combined Twentieth Century-Fox, which instantly became a new major Hollywood film entity.

The Golden Age Musicals of Darryl F. Zanuck: The Gentleman Preferred Blondes is the first book devoted to the musicals that Zanuck produced at these three studios. The volume spotlights how he placed his personal imprint on the genre and how—especially at Twentieth Century-Fox—he nurtured and showcased several blonde female stars who headlined the studio's musicals—including Shirley Temple, Alice Faye, Betty Grable, Vivian Blaine, June Haver, Marilyn Monroe, and Sheree North.

**Bernard F. Dick** is professor of communication and English at Fairleigh Dickinson University and is author of many books, including *That Was Entertainment: The Golden Age of the MGM Musical; The Screen Is Red: Hollywood, Communism, and the Cold War; The President's Ladies: Jane Wyman and Nancy Davis; Hollywood Madonna: Loretta Young; Forever Mame: The Life of Rosalind Russell;* and *Claudette Colbert: She Walked in Beauty,* all published by University Press of Mississippi.

# **The World of Marty Stuart**

#### **Marty Stuart**

Foreword by Ken Burns Introduction by Katie Blount

Contributions by Scott Bomar, Rick Bragg, Dayton Duncan, David Fricke, Holly George-Warren, Peter Guralnick, Michael Streissguth, and Billy Bob Thornton



An awe-inspiring collection that explores the life and legacy of a beloved star, storyteller, collector, photographer, and chief country music historian

May 200 pages (approx.), 11.75 x 11.75 inches, over 200 color illustrations Cloth \$49.95T 978-0-938896-00-5 Ebook available Distributed for the Mississippi Department of Archives and History "If country music had a president, it would be Marty Stuart. He is the embodiment of the culture." —Ken Burns

"There are those among us who make history and those who keep it. Marty Stuart does both."

—Susan Edwards, executive director and CEO, Frist Art Museum

In the late 1960s in Philadelphia, Mississippi, nine-year-old Marty Stuart began playing country music and collecting treasures of the culture. More than a half century later, the Mississippi Department of Archives and History has partnered with the country musician and ambassador to share his story and collection with the public in an exhibition and tandem publication.

The World of Marty Stuart traces the life and times of Marty Stuart through essays, photographs, and reproductions of artifacts from his extensive collection, highlights of which include Stuart's first guitar, Hank Williams's original handwritten manuscripts, guitars from Carl Perkins and Pops Staples, numerous costumes including Porter Wagoner's suit and Dolly Parton's dress, personal items from Patsy Cline, Johnny Cash, and Connie Smith, and much more. Photography by Marty's mother, Hilda Stuart, and by Marty himself appears throughout the book, illuminating moments from the past five decades. *The World of Marty Stuart* examines this journey in a personal way, providing an up-close glimpse at important moments in country music and reaffirming Stuart's dedication to preserving the genre's rich history.

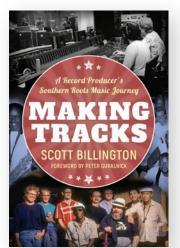
**Marty Stuart** is an American country and bluegrass singer, songwriter, and musician. He has recorded over twenty studio albums and has won five Grammy Awards. Stuart is also a member of the Grand Ole Opry and Country Music Hall of Fame.

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BIOGRAPHY / MUSIC / LOUISIANA

# **Making Tracks**

A Record Producer's Southern Roots Music Journey Scott Billington Foreword by Peter Guralnick



A firsthand remembrance of the artists, engineers, crews, and settings that can make a roots music recording magical

April 272 pages (approx.), 6 x 9 inches, 47 b&w illustrations Cloth **\$25.00T** 978-1-4968-3915-2 Ebook available American Made Music Series "Anyone interested in American vernacular culture, New Orleans or zydeco music, or the workings of independent record labels will love this book." —Bruce Boyd Raeburn, curator emeritus at Hogan Jazz Archive, Tulane University, and author of *New Orleans Style and the Writing of American Jazz History* 

"Scott Billington has a wealth of experience to draw upon in American roots music and the music of New Orleans and Memphis, in particular. His intimate first-person accounts of the making of numerous valuable and historically important records make this book an essential resource." —Kyle DeCoste, coauthor of *Can't Be Faded: Twenty Years in the New Orleans Brass Band Game* 

From the 1980s through the early 2000s, a golden era for southern roots music, producer and three-time Grammy winner Scott Billington recorded many of the period's most iconic artists. Working primarily in Louisiana for Rounder Records, Billington produced such giants as Irma Thomas, Charlie Rich, Buckwheat Zydeco, Johnny Adams, Bobby Rush, Ruth Brown, Beau Jocque, and Solomon Burke. The loving and sometimes irreverent profiles in *Making Tracks* reveal the triumphs and frustrations of the recording process, and that obsessive quest to capture a transcendent performance.

In addition, *Making Tracks* provides a widely accessible study in the craft of recording. Details about the technology and psychology behind the sessions abound.

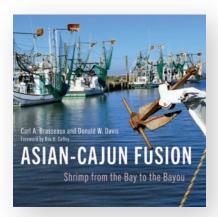
A producer, art director, musician, and A&R executive at the highly regarded Rounder Records label, **Scott Billington** was responsible for hundreds of recordings. A former Recording Academy Trustee, he lives in New Orleans, where he teaches music production at Loyola University. He often performs with his wife, children's musician Johnette Downing.

# **Asian-Cajun Fusion**

#### Shrimp from the Bay to the Bayou Carl A. Brasseaux and Donald W. Davis

Foreword by Rex H. Caffey

Publication of this book has been supported with funding provided by the Louisiana Sea Grant College Program and the Louisiana Sea Grant Foundation.



A lushly illustrated and complete history of Louisiana's shrimping industry

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 America's Third Coast Series "Asian-Cajun Fusion: Shrimp from the Bay to the Bayou is extremely accessible to any reader who cares about the region." —Christopher Hallowell, author of *Holding Back the Sea: The Struggle on the Gulf Coast to Save America* 

Asian-Cajun Fusion: Shrimp from the Bay to the Bayou provides insightful analysis and a detailed, thorough history of the industry in Louisiana.

As early as 1870, Chinese natives built shrimp-drying operations in Louisiana's wetlands and exported the product to Asia through the port of San Francisco. This trade internationalized the shrimp industry.

Since 2000 the region's large Vietnamese immigrant population has increasingly dominated Louisiana's fresh shrimp harvest. Louisiana shrimp constitute the American gold standard of raw seafood excellence. Recently though, cheap imports are forcing domestic shrimp industry to rediscover its economic roots. "Fresh off the boat" signs and internet connections with active trawlers are reestablishing the industry's ties to local consumers and sustainable aquatic resources.

**Carl A. Brasseaux,** former director of the Center for Louisiana Studies and a Louisiana Writer of the Year, has spent a lifetime studying the peoples and cultures of the Louisiana coastal plain. He is author or coauthor of more than forty books including *Ain't There No More: Louisiana's Disappearing Coastal Plain; Acadian to Cajun: Transformation of a People, 1803– 1877;* and *Creoles of Color in the Bayou Country,* all published by University Press of Mississippi. **Donald W. Davis** has been involved in coastal-related research for more than forty years. His work has appeared in numerous journals including *Annals of the American Association of Geographers, Shore & Beach, Journal of Soil and Water Conservation, Louisiana Conservationists,* and *Louisiana History.* He is coauthor of *Ain't There No More.* 

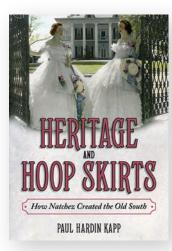
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# Heritage and Hoop Skirts

# How Natchez Created the Old South Paul Hardin Kapp

Publication of this work was supported in part by the Campus Research Board of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.



How Depression-era women rallied for preservation and manufactured a lasting tourism mythos

**August** 496 pages (approx.), 7 x 10 inches, 330 b&w illustrations Cloth **\$40.00T** 978-1-4968-3878-0 Ebook available "Heritage and Hoop Skirts animates preservation conceptions with an engaging case study and good storytelling. It takes theories from wellrespected preservation thinkers and shows how these ideas are manifested in a specific place and over a period of time, shining light on the origin of the cultural tourism industry that we are familiar with today." —Amalia Leifeste, associate professor of historic preservation at Clemson University

In *Heritage and Hoop Skirts: How Natchez Created the Old South*, author Paul Hardin Kapp reveals how the women of the Natchez Garden Club saved their city, created one of the first cultural tourism economies in the United States, changed the Mississippi landscape through historic preservation, and fashioned elements of the Lost Cause into an industry.

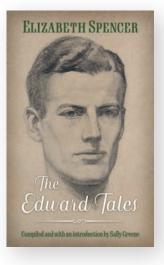
Beginning with the first Natchez Spring Pilgrimage of Antebellum Homes in 1932, local women developed a narrative of an aristocratic gentlepeople centered on grand but decaying mansions. In crafting this pageantry, they created a tourism magnet based on antebellum architecture. Through their determination and political guile, they enlisted New Deal programs, such as the WPA Writers' Project and the Historic American Buildings Survey, to promote their version of the city.

Their work did save numerous buildings and employed both white and African American workers during the Depression. Still, the transformation of Natchez into a tourist draw came at a racial cost and further marginalized African American Natchezians.

**Paul Hardin Kapp** is associate professor of architecture at the School of Architecture and associate director of the Collaborative for Cultural Heritage and Policy, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He is author of *The Architecture of William Nichols*, published by University Press of Mississippi, and coeditor of *SynergiCity: Reinventing the Postindustrial City*.

# The Edward Tales Elizabeth Spencer

Compiled and with an introduction by Sally Greene



A focused character study of a recurring figure in the fiction of one of Mississippi's greatest writers

April 114 pages (approx.), 5 x 8 inches, Printed casebinding **\$99.00S** 978-1-4968-4005-9 Paper **\$25.00T** 978-1-4968-4006-6 Ebook available "Reading this fine, newly collected work of the great Elizabeth Spencer only makes me wish there were more of these little masterpieces to look forward to."

-Richard Ford

"In these understated stories, Elizabeth Spencer reveals characters in moments of persuading; sometimes, they, themselves, must change. Pointing to ordinary yet vivid detail, she animates characters to operate in near pantomime while remaining alert to language." —Ann Beattie

Over a celebrated six-decade career, Elizabeth Spencer published every type of literary fiction: novels and short stories, a memoir, and a play. Like her best-known work, *The Light in the Piazza*, most of her narratives explore the inner lives of restless, searching southern women. Yet one mercurial male character, Edward Glenn, deserves attention for the way he insists on returning to her pages.

In *The Edward Tales*, Sally Greene brings together the four narratives in which Edward figures: the play *For Lease or Sale* (1989) and three short stories, "The Runaways" (1994), "Master of Shongalo" (1996), and "Return Trip" (2009). The collection allows readers to observe Spencer's evolving style while offering glimpses of the moral reasoning that lies at the heart of all her work.

**Elizabeth Spencer** (1921–2019) is author of nine novels, seven collections of short stories, a memoir, and a play. She was a member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters and a charter member of the Fellowship of Southern Writers. **Sally Greene** is editor of *Virginia Woolf: Reading the Renaissance*, and her essays have appeared in the *American Scholar*, *Journal of Modern Literature, Southern Quarterly, Mississippi Quarterly*, and elsewhere.

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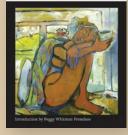
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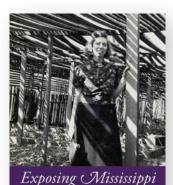
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# Exposing Mississippi Eudora Welty's Photographic Reflections Annette Trefzer

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The first book-length work to look critically at Eudora Welty's work as a photographer

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"*Exposing Mississippi* makes a very significant contribution to our understanding of a canonized Mississippi artist as well as to our understanding of Mississippi during the era in which these photographs were taken." —Julia Eichelberger, editor of *Tell about Night Flowers: Eudora Welty's Gardening Letters*, 1940–1949

Internationally known as a writer, Eudora Welty has as well been spotlighted as a talented photographer. The photographs Welty took in the 1930s and '40s frame her visual response to the cultural landscapes of the segregated South during the Depression. The photobook *One Time*, *One Place*, which was selected, curated, and shaped into a visual narrative by Welty herself, serves as a starting point and guide for the following chapters on her spatial hermeneutic. The book is divided into sections by locations and offers how the framing of these areas reveals Welty's radical commentary of the spaces her camera captured. There are over eighty images in *Exposing Mississippi*, including some never-before-seen archival photographs, and sections of the book draw on over three hundred more.

**Annette Trefzer** is professor of English at the University of Mississippi. She is author of *Disturbing Indians: The Archaeology of Southern Fiction* and coeditor of *Global Faulkner*, *Faulkner's Sexualities, Faulkner and Mystery, Faulkner and Formalism*, and *Faulkner and the Native South*, all published by University Press of Mississippi.

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# The Eye That Is Language

A Transatlantic View of Eudora Welty **Danièle Pitavy-Souques** Edited with a preface by Pearl Amelia McHaney



An enlightening collection of essays by a renowned European scholar on the transatlantic significance of Eudora Welty

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-Sarah Gilbreath Ford, author of Haunted Property: Slavery and the Gothic

Danièle Pitavy-Souques was a European powerhouse of Welty studies. In this collection of essays, Pitavy-Souques pours new light on Welty's view of the world and her international literary import, challenging previous readings of Welty's fiction, memoir, and photographs. The volume explores stories in Welty's masterpiece *The Golden Apples*, as well as "A Curtain of Green," "Flowers for Marjorie," "Old Mr Marblehall," "A Still Moment," "Livvie," "Circe," "Kin," and *The Optimist's Daughter, One Writer's Beginnings*, and *One Time, One Place.* Together, the nine essays reveal and explain Welty's brilliance for employing the particular to discover the universal.

*The Eye That Is Language: A Transatlantic View of Eudora Welty* reveals the way in which Welty's narrative techniques broaden her work beyond southern myths and mysteries into a global perspective of humanity.

**Danièle Pitavy-Souques** (1937–2019) was a recipient of the Eudora Welty Society Phoenix Award and of the French Legion of Honor for her work on International Women's Rights. She published two books and more than a dozen essays on Welty. **Pearl Amelia McHaney** is Kenneth M. England Professor of Southern Literature Emerita at Georgia State University and also a recipient of the Eudora Welty Society Phoenix Award. She is author of *A Tyrannous Eye: Eudora Welty's Nonfiction and Photography* and editor most recently of *Occasions: Selected Writings by Eudora Welty*, both published by University Press of Mississippi.

# **Conversations with Diane di Prima** Edited by David Stephen Calonne



"I think one of the big movements in poetry is the movement toward that total apprehension by the poet of the multiplicity, so that finally there is that unity achieved in the work, and hopefully, in your life and your self."

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*Conversations with Diane di Prima* presents twenty interviews ranging from 1972 to 2010 that chart di Prima's intellectual, spiritual, and political evolution. From her adolescence, di Prima was fascinated by occult, esoteric, and magical philosophies. We are able to view di Prima's life course from her year at Swarthmore College; her move back to New York and then to San Francisco; her studies of Zen Buddhism; her fascination with the *I Ching*, Paracelsus, John Dee, Heinrich Cornelius Agrippa, alchemy, Tarot, and Kabbalah; and her later engagement with Tibetan Buddhism and work with Chogyam Trungpa. Interviews explore di Prima's career as an independent publisher and her commitment to promoting such writers as Audre Lorde. These interviews reveal di Prima as both a writer of genius and an intensely honest, direct, passionate, and committed advocate of a revolution in consciousness.

**David Stephen Calonne** is senior lecturer in the Department of English Language and Literature at Eastern Michigan University. He is author or editor of several works, including *R. Crumb: Literature, Autobiography, and the Quest for Self; Conversations with Gary Snyder*; and *Conversations with Allen Ginsberg*, all published by University Press of Mississippi.

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**Conversations with Billy Collins** Edited by John Cusatis



"I think that's an aim for me: to express the beauty, the sadness, and the sheer ridiculousness of life at the same time."

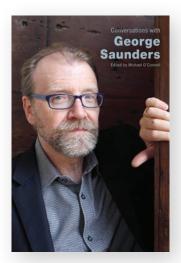
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*Conversations with Billy Collins* chronicles the poet's career beginning with his 1998 interview with Terry Gross on *Fresh Air*, which exponentially expanded his readership, three years prior to his being named United States Poet Laureate. Other interviewers range from George Plimpton, founder of the *Paris Review*, and Pulitzer Prize–winning poet Henry Taylor to a Presbyterian pastor, a physics professor, and a class of AP English Literature students.

Over the course of the twenty-one interviews included in the volume, Collins discusses such topics as discovering his persona, that consistently affable voice that narrates his often wildly imaginative poems; why poetry is so loved by children but often met with anxiety by high school students; and his experience composing a poem to be recited during a joint session of Congress on the first anniversary of 9/11, a tragedy that occurred during his tenure as poet laureate. Irreverent, incisive, and deeply life-affirming like his twelve volumes of poetry—these interviews, gathered for the first time in one volume, will edify and entertain readers in the way his soldout readings have done for the past quarter century.

John Cusatis teaches at the Charleston School of the Arts. He is author of *Understanding Colum McCann*, the first critical study of the Irish-born National Book Award winner; editor of *Postwar Literature*, 1945–1970 and three volumes of the *Dictionary of Literary Biography*; and coeditor of *Conversations with John Banville*, published by University Press of Mississippi.

# **Conversations with George Saunders** Edited by Michael O'Connell



"I think the writer's main job is to provide a wild ride for the reader. So most of what I'm doing on a given day is just trying to ensure that the wild ride happens, trusting and hopeful that the thematics will take care of themselves."

July 234 pages (approx.), 6 x 9 inches, Printed casebinding **\$99.00S** 978-1-4968-4029-5 Paper **\$25.00T** 978-1-4968-4030-1 Ebook available Literary Conversations Series Besides being one of America's most celebrated living authors, George Saunders (b. 1958) is also an excellent interview subject. In the fourteen interviews included in *Conversations with George Saunders*, covering nearly twenty years of his career, the Booker Prize–winning author of *Lincoln in the Bardo* and *Tenth of December* provides detailed insight into his own writing process and craft, alongside nuanced interpretations of his own work. He also delves into aspects of his biography, including anecdotes from his childhood and his experiences as both a student and teacher in MFA programs, as well as reflections on how parenthood affected his writing, the role of religious belief and practice in his work, and how he has dealt with his growing popularity and fame.

Throughout this collection, we see him in conversation with former students, fellow writers, mainstream critics, and literary scholars. In each instance, Saunders is eager to engage in meaningful dialogue about what he calls the "big questions of our age." In a number of interviews, he reflects on the moral and ethical responsibility of fiction, as well as how his work engages with issues of social and political commentary. But at the same time, these interviews, like all of Saunders's best work, are funny, warm, surprising, and wise. Saunders says he has "always enjoyed doing interviews" in part because he views "intense, respectful conversation [as], really, an artform—an exploration of sorts." Readers of this volume will have the pleasure of joining him in this process of exploration.

**Michael O'Connell** is associate professor of humanities at Siena Heights University in Adrian, Michigan, where his scholarly interests focus primarily on the intersections of religion, particularly Catholicism, and contemporary literature. His critical essays appear in *Christianity and Literature, Renascence, American Catholic Studies, Religion and the Arts,* and the *Journal of David Foster Wallace Studies.* 

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# **Conversations with Jerome Charyn** Edited by Sophie Vallas

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"We're receivers of language who then take what we receive and reinvent it in incredible multiples."

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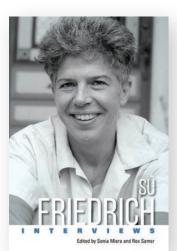
June 182 pages, 6 x 9 inches, Paper **\$25.00T** 978-1-4968-4088-2 Ebook available Literary Conversations Series This volume of fourteen interviews covers the prolific and rich career of author Jerome Charyn (b. 1937). Four of the interviews appear in English for the first time, and two interviews appear here in print for the first time as well.

As one of his autobiographical volumes claims, Charyn is a "Bronx Boy," a child born from immigrant parents who went through Ellis Island in the 1920s without luggage, a "little werewolf" who grew up on his own in the chaos of the Bronx ghetto. His work remains deeply marked by this childhood largely forgotten by the American Dream. His literary career is a long attempt at evoking his own history and celebrating his lifelong marveling at the power of language—"our second skin"—as well as his deep, unflinching belief in the promises of fiction.

Since 1964, Charyn has published more than fifty books ranging from fiction to nonfiction and including short stories; very popular crime novels; graphic novels cowritten with European artists; essays on American culture and cinema as well as on New York; autobiography; and biography—an everchanging production that has made it difficult for critics to classify him. And yet in many ways Charyn's writing thrives on constant currents: the words "voice," "song," "undersong," or "rhythm" return frequently in his interviews as he explains what literature is to him and ceaselessly asserts that he is trying "to find a music for a musicless world," a language for "people who cannot speak."

**Sophie Vallas** is professor at Aix-Marseille Université, France. She has published essays on several American novelists including Paul Auster, Jerome Charyn, Chester Himes, J. D. Salinger, Flannery O'Connor, Jim Harrison, Don DeLillo, and Colum McCann. She is author of *Jerome Charyn et les siens: Autofictions*. She is currently editing a volume of essays on Daniel Mendelsohn's memoirs.

# Su Friedrich Interviews Edited by Sonia Misra and Rox Samer



"I've always wanted to make films that are as emotionally honest as they can be, and then I hope that other people will learn something from seeing them or feel that a part of their own life is being honored in the films."

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Su Friedrich (b. 1954) has been described as an autobiographical filmmaker, an experimental filmmaker, a documentary filmmaker, an independent filmmaker, a feminist filmmaker, and a lesbian filmmaker—labels that she sprucely dodges, insisting time and again she is, quite simply, a filmmaker. Nevertheless, the influences of the experimental film culture and of the feminist and lesbian political ethos out of which she emerged resonate across her films to the present day.

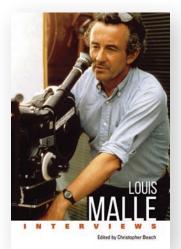
*Su Friedrich: Interviews* is the first volume dedicated exclusively to Friedrich and her work. The interviews collected here highlight the historical, theoretical, political, and economic dimensions through which Friedrich's films gain their unique and defiantly ambiguous identity. The volume contains fifteen interviews—two previously unpublished—along with three autobiographical writings by Friedrich. Included are canonical early interviews, but a special focus is given to interviews that address her less-studied film production in the twenty-first century. Echoing across these various pieces is Friedrich's charmingly sardonic and defiant personality, familiar from her films. The volume closes with a new interview conducted by the editors, which illuminates areas that remain latent or underdiscussed in other interviews, including Friedrich's work as a film professor and projects that supplement Friedrich's filmmaking, such as *Edited By*, an online historical resource dedicated to collecting information about and honoring the contributions of women film editors.

**Sonia Misra** is visiting instructor of film and media at Franklin & Marshall College and a PhD candidate in cinema and media studies at the University of Southern California. Her work has appeared in such publications as *Film Quarterly, Spectator*, and *Media Practice and Education*. **Rox Samer** is assistant professor of screen studies in Clark University's Department of Visual and Performing Arts. They are author of *Lesbian Potentiality and Feminist Media in the 1970s*.

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Louis Malle Interviews Edited by Christopher Beach

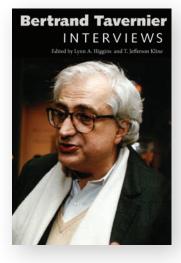


"I need to be really excited about a subject. I need to experience a kind of falling in love, and then everything happens very fast."

June 224 pages (approx.), 6 x 9 inches, Printed casebinding **\$99.00S** 978-1-4968-3960-2 Paper **\$25.00T** 978-1-4968-3961-9 Ebook available Conversations with Filmmakers Series A filmmaker whose work exhibits a wide range of styles and approaches, Louis Malle (1932–1995) was the only French director of his generation to enjoy a significant career in both France and the United States. Although Malle began his career alongside members of the French New Wave like François Truffaut, Jean-Luc Godard, and Claude Chabrol, he never associated himself with that group. Malle is perhaps best known for his willingness to take on such difficult or controversial topics as suicide, incest, child prostitution, and collaboration with the Nazis during World War II. His filmography includes narrative films like *Zazie dans le Métro, Murmur of the Heart, Atlantic City, My Dinner with Andre*, and *Au revoir les enfants*, as well as several major documentaries.

Louis Malle: Interviews covers the entirety of Malle's career and features seventeen interviews, the majority of which are translated into English here for the first time. As the collection demonstrates, Malle was an extremely intelligent and articulate filmmaker who thought deeply about his own choices as a director, the ideological implications of those choices, and the often-controversial themes treated in his films. The interviews address such topics as Malle's approach to casting and directing actors, his attitude toward provocative subject matter and censorship, his understanding of the relationship between documentary and fiction film, and the differences between the film industries in France and the US. Malle also discusses his sometimes-challenging work with such actors as Brigitte Bardot, Pierre Blaise, and Brooke Shields and sheds new light on the making of his films.

**Christopher Beach** is a film scholar and author of several books on film and literature, including *Class, Language, and American Film Comedy* and *The Films of Hal Ashby*. He was named an Academy Film Scholar by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for *A Hidden History of Film Style: Cinematographers, Directors, and the Collaborative Process.* He is editor of *Claude Chabrol: Interviews*, published by University Press of Mississippi. Bertrand Tavernier Interviews Edited by Lynn A. Higgins and T. Jefferson Kline



"I believe that every artist and intellectual has a moral responsibility to be faithful both to his characters and to his art, to tell the truth."

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In this collection, containing numerous interviews translated from French and available in English for the first time, he discusses the arc of his career following in the lineage of the Lumière brothers, in that his goal, like theirs, is to "show the world to the world." At the core are his thoughts about the ways cinema can inspire the imagination and contribute to the broadest possible public conversation.

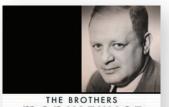
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T. Jefferson Kline is professor emeritus of French at Boston University. He has written five books on French cinema, film, and intertextuality in screenplay. He is editor of *Agnès Varda: Interviews* and coeditor of *Bernardo Bertolucci: Interviews*, both published by University Press of Mississippi.

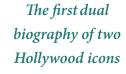
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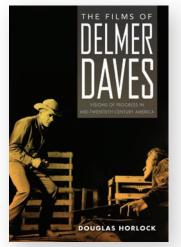
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Sydney Ladensohn Stern, a New York-based freelance writer, has contributed to the *New York Times, Air Mail, Literary Hub, Publishers Weekly,* Criterion's *The Current*, and many other publications. She is author of *Toyland: The High-Stakes Game of the Toy Industry*, a Book of the Month Club pick, and *Gloria Steinem: Her Passions, Politics, and Mystique.* For more information, go to sydneylstern.com.

# **The Films of Delmer Daves**

Visions of Progress in Mid-Twentieth-Century America Douglas Horlock



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—Matthew Carter, senior lecturer in film at Manchester Metropolitan University

Delmer Daves (1904–1977) was an American screenwriter, director, and producer known for his dramas and Western adventures, most notably *Broken Arrow* and 3:10 to Yuma. Despite the popularity of his films, there has been little serious examination of Daves's work. Filmmaker Bertrand Tavernier has called Daves the most forgotten of American directors, and to date no scholarly monograph has focused on his work.

In *The Films of Delmer Daves: Visions of Progress in Mid-Twentieth-Century America*, author Douglas Horlock contends that the director's work warrants sustained scholarly attention. Examining all of Daves's films as well as his screenplays, scripts that were not filmed, and personal papers, Horlock argues that Daves was a serious, distinctive, and enlightened filmmaker whose work confronts the general conservatism of Hollywood in the mid-twentieth century. Horlock considers Daves's films through the lenses of political and social values, race and civil rights, and gender and sexuality. Ultimately, Horlock suggests that Daves's work through its examination of bigotry and irrational fear and depiction of institutional and personal morality and freedom—presents a consistent, innovative, and progressive vision of America.

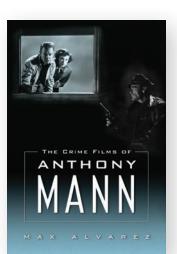
**Douglas Horlock** is retired senior lecturer of history and education at Swansea Institute of Higher Education. He earned his PhD from Swansea University in 2017.

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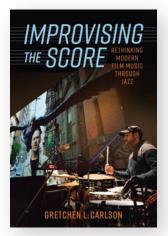
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—Reynold Humphries, former professor of film studies at the University of Lille, France

**Max Alvarez** is author and illustrator of *The Cinéphile's Guide to the Great Age of Cinema*, and his essay on the Thornton Wilder Shadow of a Doubt screenplay appears in *Thornton Wilder: New Perspectives*. He has also written for *Film History: An International Journal* and *Chicago Tribune*. Find him at www.maxjalvarez.com.

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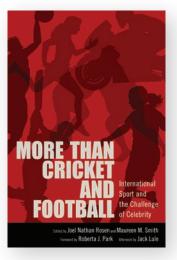
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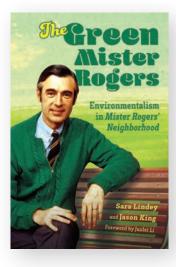
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Joel Nathan Rosen is associate professor of sociology at Moravian College in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He is author of numerous works and founding coeditor of a five-volume collection that explores the forging and maintenance of the reputations of celebrity athletes, all published by University Press of Mississippi. **Maureen M. Smith** is professor in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Science at Sacramento State University.

# **The Green Mister Rogers**

Environmentalism in *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood* Sara Lindey and Jason King Foreword by Junlei Li



An in-depth exploration of the environmentalism in the beloved children's television program

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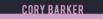
The Green Mister Rogers: Environmentalism in "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood" centers on the show's environmentalism, primarily expressed through his themed week "Caring for the Environment," produced in 1990 in coordination with the twentieth anniversary of Earth Day. Unfolding against a trash catastrophe in the Neighborhood of Make-Believe, Rogers advances an environmentalism for children that secures children in their family homes while extending their perspective to faraway places, from the local recycling center to Florida's coral reef. Rogers depicts animal wisdom and uses puppets to voice anxiety and hope and shows an interconnected world where each part of creation is valued, and love is circulated in networks of care. Ultimately, Rogers cultivates a practical wisdom that provides a way for children to confront the environmental crisis through action and hope and, in doing so, to develop into adults who possess greater care for the environment and a capacious imagination for solving the ecological problems we face.

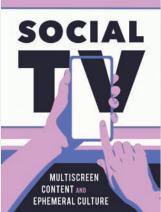
**Sara Lindey** is professor of English at Saint Vincent College in Latrobe, Pennsylvania. Before her work on Fred Rogers, she published essays on nineteenth-century American print culture, particularly representations of girlhood in antislavery picture books and boys' literacy in story papers in *Children's Literature Association Quarterly, American Periodicals*, and *Journal of the Midwest Modern Language Association.* **Jason King** is professor of theology at Saint Vincent College. He is author of *Faith with Benefits: Hookup Culture on Catholic Campuses* and coeditor of *Sex, Love, and Families: Catholic Perspectives.* 

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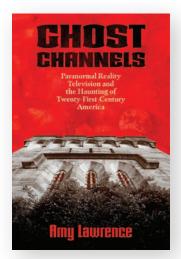
In Social TV: Multiscreen Content and Ephemeral Culture, author Cory Barker reveals how the US television industry promised—but failed to deliver—a social media revolution in the 2010s to combat the imminent threat of on-demand streaming video. Barker examines the rise and fall of Social TV across press coverage, corporate documents, and an array of digital ephemera. He demonstrates that, despite the talk of disruption, the movement merely aimed to exploit social media to reinforce the value of live TV in the modern attention economy.

**Cory Barker** is assistant professor of communication at Bradley University. He is coeditor of *The Age of Netflix: Critical Essays on Streaming Media, Digital Delivery, and Instant Access*, among other collections on media studies. His work on Social TV, streaming video, and branding has appeared in such publications as *The A.V. Club, Complex, TV Guide*, TV.com, and *Vox*.

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Amy Lawrence is professor emerita of film and media studies at Dartmouth College. She is author of The Passion of Montgomery Clift, The Films of Peter Greenaway, and Echo and Narcissus: Women's Voices in Classical Hollywood Cinema.

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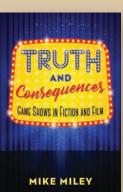
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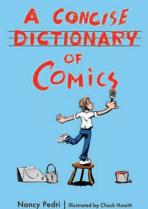
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Nancy Pedri is professor of English at Memorial University of Newfoundland (Canada). She edited Mixing Visual Media in Comics for ImageText and The Narrative Functions of Photography in Comics for Image [&] Narrative; she coedited Sexuality and Mental Illness in Comics for the Journal of Graphic Novels and Comics. Chuck Howitt is a proofreader, assistant editor, and illustrator with a certificate in comics studies from Portland State University.

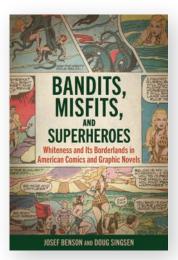
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American comics from the start have reflected the white supremacist culture out of which they arose. Superheroes and comic books in general are products of whiteness, and both signal and hide its presence. Even when comics creators and publishers sought to advance an antiracist agenda, their attempts were often undermined by a lack of awareness of their own whiteness. Even the most celebrated figures of the industry, such as Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster, Jack Jackson, William Gaines, Stan Lee, Robert Crumb, Will Eisner, and Frank Miller, have not been able to distance themselves from the problematic racism embedded in their narratives despite their intentions or explanations.

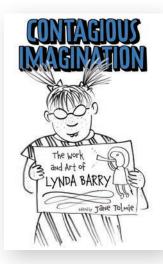
Bandits, Misfits, and Superheroes: Whiteness and Its Borderlands in American Comics and Graphic Novels provides a sober assessment of these creators and their role in perpetuating racism throughout the history of comics.

Josef Benson is associate professor of literatures and languages at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside. He is author of Star Wars: The Triumph of Nerd Culture; J. D. Salinger's "The Catcher in the Rye": A Cultural History; and Hypermasculinities in the Contemporary Novel: Cormac McCarthy, Toni Morrison, and James Baldwin. Doug Singsen is associate professor of art history at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside. His work has been published in Modernism/modernity, the Journal of Graphic Novels and Comics, Key Terms in Comics Studies, Grove Encyclopedia of American Art, and Art History Teaching Resources.

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# The Work and Art of Lynda Barry **Edited by Jane Tolmie**

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Lynda Barry (b. 1956) is best known for her distinctive style and unique voice, first popularized in her underground weekly comic *Ernie Pook's Comeek*. Since then, she has published prolifically, including numerous comics, illustrated novels, and nonfiction books exploring the creative process. Barry's work is genre- and form-bending, often using collage to create what she calls "word with drawing" vignettes.

The essays in *Contagious Imagination: The Work and Art of Lynda Barry*, edited by Jane Tolmie, study the pedagogy of Barry's work and its application academically and practically. Examining Barry's career and work from the point of view of research-creation, *Contagious Imagination* applies Barry's unique mixture of teaching, art, learning, and creativity to the very form of the volume, exploring Barry's imaginative praxis and offering readers their own.

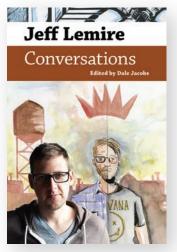
With a foreword by Frederick Luis Aldama and an afterword by Glenn Willmott, this volume explores the impact of Barry's work in and out of the classroom. Divided into four sections—Teaching and Learning, which focuses on critical pedagogy; Comics and Autobiography, which targets various practices of *rememorying*; Cruddy, a self-explanatory category that offers two extraordinary critical interventions into Barry criticism around a challenging text; and Research-Creation, which offers two creative, synthetic artistic pieces that embody and enact Barry's own mixed academic and creative investments—this book offers numerous inroads into Barry's idiosyncratic imagination and what it can teach us about ourselves.

**Jane Tolmie** is associate professor in gender studies, English, and cultural studies at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario. She is a poet; feminist activist; editor of *Drawing from Life: Memory and Subjectivity in Comic Art*, published by University Press of Mississippi; and coeditor of *Laments for the Lost in Medieval Literature*.

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Jeff Lemire Conversations Edited by Dale Jacobs



"I enjoy balancing the two worlds. It helps to keep my work for both mainstream comics and indie comics fresh when I can jump back and forth between them. I also like seeing aspects of both worlds start to bleed into each other."

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Many cartoonists deflect from questions about one's history with comics and the influences of other artists, while others indulge the interviewer briefly before attempting to steer the questions in another direction. But Lemire, creator of *Essex County Trilogy*, *Sweet Tooth*, *The Nobody*, and *Trillium*, seems to bask in these discussions. Before he was ever a comics professional, he was a fan.

What can be traced in these interviews is the story of the movement from comics fan to comics professional. In the twenty-nine interviews collected in *Jeff Lemire: Conversations*, readers see Lemire come to understand the process of collaboration, the balancing act involved in working for different kinds of comics publishers like DC and Marvel, the responsibilities involved in representing characters outside his own culture, and the possibilities that exist in the comics medium.

**Dale Jacobs** is professor of English at University of Windsor. He is author of *Graphic Encounters: Comics and the Sponsorship of Multimodal Literacy* and editor of *The Myles Horton Reader*. His essays on comics have appeared in *Inks: Journal of the Comics Studies Society, English Journal, College Composition and Communication, Journal of Comics and Culture,* and *Studies in Comics.*  CHILDREN'S AND YOUNG ADULT LITERATURE / RACE & ETHNICITY / LGBTQ STUDIES

# Harry Potter and the Other

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Sarah Park Dahlen is associate professor at the University of Illinois School of Information Sciences. She coedits the journal *Research on Diversity in Youth Literature* and coedited the book *Diversity in Youth Literature: Opening Doors through Reading*. Ebony Elizabeth Thomas is associate professor at the University of Michigan's School of Education. She is author of the award-winning *The Dark Fantastic: Race and the Imagination from "Harry Potter" to the "Hunger Games.*"

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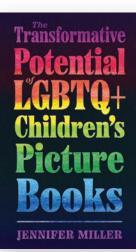
"Before your next reread of the Harry Potter series, read this book! It is guaranteed to guide readers into a deeper understanding of the Harry Potter books' enduring legacy while challenging readers to look at the 'real' world in a more meaningful and critical way."

—Karen Wendling, co-coordinator of the Harry Potter Conference at Chestnut Hill College

Despite their decades-long, phenomenal success, the Harry Potter novels have attracted relatively little attention from literary critics and scholars. While popular books, articles, blogs, and fan sites for general readers proliferate, and while philosophers, historians, theologians, sociologists, psychologists, and even business professors have taken on book-length studies and edited essay collections about Harry Potter, literature scholars, outside of the children's books community, have paid few serious visits to the Potterverse. This book challenges that oversight, assembling and foregrounding some of the best literary critical work by scholars trying to move the needle on these novels to reflect their importance to twentyfirst-century literate culture.

**Cecilia Konchar Farr** is professor of English and dean of the College of Liberal and Creative Arts at West Liberty University in West Virginia. Among her publications are *The Ulysses Delusion: Rethinking Standards of Literary Merit; Reading Oprah: How Oprah's Book Club Changed the Way America Reads*; and a student-generated collection of essays about the Harry Potter novels, *A Wizard of Their Age: Critical Essays from the Harry Potter Generation.* 

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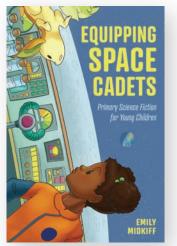
**Jennifer Miller** is lecturer of English at the University of Texas at Arlington. She researches LGBTQ+ children's picture books, digital culture, and subcultures.

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*Equipping Space Cadets: Primary Science Fiction for Young Children* argues for the benefits and potential of "primary science fiction," or science fiction for children under twelve years old. Science fiction for children is often disregarded due to common misconceptions of childhood. When children are culturally portrayed as natural and simple, then they seem like a poor audience for the complex scientific questions brought up by the best science fiction. The books and the children who read them tell another story.

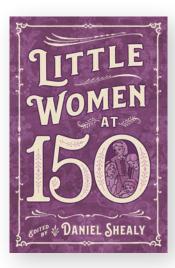
Using three empirical studies and over 350 children's books including *If I Had a Robot Dog, Bugs in Space*, and *Commander Toad in Space, Equipping Space Cadets* presents interdisciplinary evidence that science fiction and children are compatible after all. Primary science fiction literature includes many high-quality books that cleverly utilize the features of children's literature formats in order to fit large science fiction questions into small packages. In the best of these books, authors make science fiction questions accessible and relevant to children of various reading levels and from diverse backgrounds and identities.

*Equipping Space Cadets* does not stop with literary analysis, but also presents the voices of real children and practitioners. The book features three studies: a survey of teachers and librarians, quantitative analysis of lending records from school libraries across the United States, and coded read-aloud sessions with elementary school students.

**Emily Midkiff** is an instructor at the University of North Dakota, where she teaches children's literature and literacy instruction.

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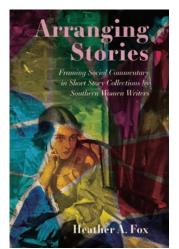
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# **Arranging Stories**

Framing Social Commentary in Short Story Collections by Southern Women Writers Heather A. Fox



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Between the 1880s and the 1940s, opportunities for southern white women writers increased dramatically, bolstered by readers' demands for southern stories in northern periodicals. Confined by magazine requirements and social expectations, writers often relied on regional settings and tropes to attract publishers and readers before publishing work in a collection. Selecting and ordering magazine stories for these collections was not arbitrary or dictated by editors, despite a male-dominated publishing industry. Instead, it allowed writers to privilege stories, or to contextualize a story by its proximity to other tales, as a form of social commentary. For Kate Chopin, Ellen Glasgow, Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings, and Katherine Anne Porter—the authors featured in this book—publishing a volume of stories enabled them to construct a narrative framework of their own.

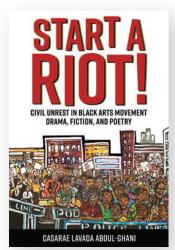
Arranging Stories: Framing Social Commentary in Short Story Collections by Southern Women Writers is as much about how stories are constructed as how they are told. The book examines correspondence, manuscripts, periodicals, and first editions of collections. The book also includes four tables, featuring collected stories' arrangements and publication histories, and twenty-five illustrations, featuring periodical publications, unpublished letters, and manuscript fragments obtained from nine on-site and digital archives.

**Heather A. Fox** is assistant professor of English at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond. Her work in southern studies has appeared in *south*, *Southern Studies, Janus Head, The Explicator*, and the *Faulkner Journal*.

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# **Start a Riot!**

Civil Unrest in Black Arts Movement Drama, Fiction, and Poetry Casarae Lavada Abdul-Ghani



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*"Start a Riot!* will forge new directions in the study of art, political activism, and contemporary African American culture." —GerShun Avilez, author of *Radical Aesthetics and Modern Black Nationalism* 

While the legacy of Black urban rebellions during the turbulent 1960s continues to permeate throughout US histories and discourses, scholars seldom explore within scholarship examining Black Cultural Production, artist-writers of the Black Arts Movement (BAM) that addressed civil unrest, specifically riots, in their artistic writings.

Start a Riot! Civil Unrest in Black Arts Movement Drama, Fiction, and Poetry analyzes riot iconography and its usefulness as a political strategy of protestation. Through a mixed-methods approach of literary close-reading, historical, and sociological analysis, Casarae Lavada Abdul-Ghani considers how BAM artist-writers like Amiri Baraka (LeRoi Jones), Ben Caldwell, Gwendolyn Brooks, Sonia Sanchez, and Henry Dumas challenge misconceptions regarding Black protest through experimental explorations in their writings. BAM artist-writers sought to override the public's interpretation in their literary exposés that a riot's disjointed and disorderly methods led to more chaos than reparative justice.

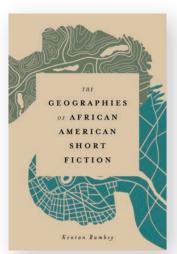
*Start a Riot!* uncovers how BAM artist-writers expose anti-Black racism and, by extension, the United States' inability to compromise with Black America on matters related to citizenship rights, housing (in)security, economic inequality, and education—tenets emphasized during the Black Power Movement. Abdul-Ghani argues that BAM artist-writers did not merely write literature that reflected a spirit of protest; in many cases, they understood their texts, themselves, as acts of protest.

**Casarae Lavada Abdul-Ghani** is a scholar of African American literary cultural studies and owner of Africana Instructional Design.

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# The Geographies of African American Short Fiction Kenton Rambsy



A long-overdue history of short stories, place, and the significance of setting on racial representation

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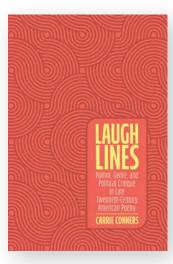
Perhaps the brevity of short fiction accounts for the relatively scant attention devoted to it by scholars, who have historically concentrated on longer prose narratives. *The Geographies of African American Short Fiction* seeks to fill this gap by analyzing the ways African American short story writers plotted a diverse range of characters across multiple locations small towns, a famous metropolis, city sidewalks, a rural wooded area, apartment buildings, a pond, a general store, a prison, and more. In the process, these writers highlighted the extents to which places and spaces shaped or situated racial representations. Presenting African American short story writers as cultural cartographers, author Kenton Rambsy documents the variety of geographical references within their short stories to show how these authors make cultural spaces integral to their artwork and inscribe their stories with layered and resonant social histories.

The history of these short stories also documents the circulation of compositions across dozens of literary collections for nearly a century. Anthology editors solidified the significance of a core group of short story authors including James Baldwin, Toni Cade Bambara, Charles Chesnutt, Ralph Ellison, Zora Neale Hurston, and Richard Wright. Using quantitative information and an extensive literary dataset, *The Geographies of African American Short Fiction* explores how editorial practices shaped the canon of African American short fiction.

**Kenton Rambsy** is assistant professor of English and digital humanities at University of Texas at Arlington.

# Laugh Lines

Humor, Genre, and Political Critique in Late Twentieth-Century American Poetry Carrie Conners



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Humor in recent American poetry has been largely dismissed or ignored by scholars, due in part to a staid reverence for the lyric. *Laugh Lines: Humor, Genre, and Political Critique in Late Twentieth-Century American Poetry* argues that humor is not a superficial feature of a small subset, but instead an integral feature in a great deal of American poetry written since the 1950s. Rather than viewing poetry as a lofty, serious genre, Carrie Conners asks readers to consider poetry alongside another art form that has burgeoned in America since the 1950s: stand-up comedy. Both art forms use wit and laughter to rethink the world and the words used to describe it. *Laugh Lines* focuses especially on poetry that wields humor to espouse sociopolitical critique.

To show the range of recent American poetry that uses humor to articulate sociopolitical critique, Conners highlights the work of poets working in four distinct poetic genres: traditional, received forms, such as the sonnet; the epic; procedural poetry; and prose poetry. Marilyn Hacker, Harryette Mullen, Ed Dorn, and Russell Edson provide the main focus of the chapters, but each chapter compares those poets to others writing humorous political verse in the same genre, including Terrance Hayes and Anne Carson.

**Carrie Conners** is professor of English at LaGuardia Community College-CUNY. Her debut poetry collection, *Luscious Struggle*, was selected as a 2020 Paterson Poetry Prize Finalist, and her second poetry collection, *Species of Least Concern* was named a finalist of the 2021 Main Street Rag Book Award.

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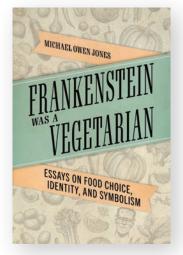
*Sexy Like Us: Disability, Humor, and Sexuality* takes a humorous, intimate approach to disability through the stories, jokes, performances, and other creative expressions of people with disabilities. Author Teresa Milbrodt explores why individuals can laugh at their leglessness, find stoma bags sexual, discover intimacy in scars, and flaunt their fragility in ways both hilarious and serious. Their creative and comic acts crash, collide, and collaborate with perceptions of disability in literature and dominant culture, allowing people with disabilities to shape political disability identity and disability pride, call attention to social inequalities, and poke back at ableist cultural norms.

This book also discusses how the ambivalent nature of comedy has led to debates within disability communities about when it is acceptable to joke, who has permission to joke, and which jokes should be used inside and outside a community's inner circle. Joking may be difficult when considering aspects of disability that involve physical or emotional pain and struggles to adapt to new forms of embodiment. At the same time, people with disabilities can use humor to expand the definitions of disability and sexuality. They can help others with disabilities assert themselves as sexy and sexual.

**Teresa Milbrodt** is a creative writer, disability scholar, and assistant professor at Roanoke College. She is author of three short story collections, a flash fiction collection, and a novel, as well as several critical articles in disability studies.

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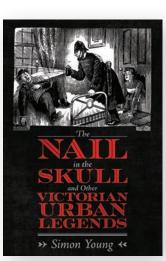
In Frankenstein Was a Vegetarian: Essays on Food Choice, Identity, and Symbolism, Michael Owen Jones tackles topics often overlooked in foodways. At the outset he notes it was Victor Frankenstein's "daemon" in Mary Shelley's novel that advocated vegetarianism, not the scientist whose name has long been attributed to his creature. Jones explains how we communicate through what we eat, the connection between food choice and who we are or want to appear to be, the ways that many of us self-medicate moods with foods, and the nature of disgust. He presents fascinating case studies of religious bigotry and political machinations triggered by rumored bans on pork, the last meal requests of prisoners about to be executed, and the Utopian vision of Percy Bysshe Shelley, one of England's greatest poets, that was based on a vegetable diet like the creature's meals in *Frankenstein*. Throughout the book, Jones deals with food as symbol as well as analyzes the link between food choice and multiple identities. Aesthetics, morality, and politics likewise loom large in his inquiries.

**Michael Owen Jones** is professor emeritus of folklore studies and world arts and cultures at the University of California, Los Angeles. He is author of a dozen books including *Corn: A Global History, Craftsman of the Cumberlands*, and *Studying Organizational Symbolism*; coauthor of *Folkloristics: An Introduction*; and coeditor of *Comfort Food: Meanings and Memories*, published by University Press of Mississippi.

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In the last fifty years, folklorists have amassed an extraordinary corpus of contemporary legends including "the Choking Doberman," "the Eaten Ticket," and "the Vanishing Hitchhiker." But what about the urban legends of the past? These legends and tales have rarely been collected, and when they occasionally appear, they do so as ancestors or precursors of the urban legends of today, rather than as stories in their own right.

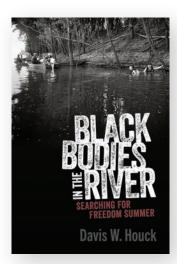
In *The Nail in the Skull and Other Victorian Urban Legends*, Simon Young fills this gap for British folklore (and for the wider English-speaking world) of the 1800s. Young introduces seventy Victorian urban legends ranging from "Beetle Eyes" to the "Shoplifter's Dilemma" and from "Hands in the Muff" to "the Suicide Club." While a handful of these stories are already known, the vast majority have never been identified, and they have certainly never received scholarly treatment.

Young draws on numerous nineteenth-century books, periodicals, and ephemera, including digitized newspaper archives—particularly the British Newspaper Archive, an exciting new hunting ground for folklorists. *The Nail in the Skull and Other Victorian Urban Legends* will appeal to an academic audience as well as to anyone who is interested in urban legends.

**Simon Young,** a British historian, is author of *The Boggart: A Study in Shadows*. His work has appeared in many periodicals including *Contemporary Legend*, *Supernatural Studies*, and *Folklore*.

# Black Bodies in the River

Searching for Freedom Summer **Davis W. Houck** 



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Beginning in the late 1970s, however, movement veterans challenged this central narrative with the shocking claim that during the search for Goodman, Chaney, and Schwerner, the FBI and other law enforcement personnel discovered many unidentified Black bodies in Mississippi's swamps, rivers, and bayous. This claim has evolved in subsequent years as activists, journalists, filmmakers, and scholars have continued to repeat it, and the number of supposed Black bodies—never identified—has grown from five to more than two dozen.

In Black Bodies in the River: Searching for Freedom Summer, author Davis W. Houck sets out to answer two questions: Were Black bodies discovered that summer? And why has the shocking claim only grown in the past several decades—despite evidence to the contrary? In other words, what rhetorical work does the Black bodies claim do, and with what audiences?

Houck interrogates the unnamed-Black-bodies claim from a historical and rhetorical perspective, illustrating that the historicity of the bodies in question is perhaps less the point than the critique of who we remember from that summer and how we remember them. Houck examines how different memory texts—filmic, landscape, presidential speech, and museums—function both to bolster and question the centrality of murdered white men in the legacy of Freedom Summer.

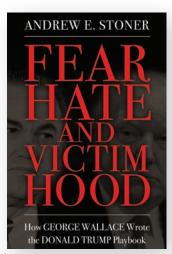
**Davis W. Houck** is Fannie Lou Hamer Professor of Rhetorical Studies at Florida State University. He is coauthor of *Emmett Till and the Mississippi Press* and coeditor of *Women and the Civil Rights Movement*, 1954–1965 and *The Speeches of Fannie Lou Hamer: To Tell It Like It Is*, all published by University Press of Mississippi.

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RHETORIC / MEDIA STUDIES / POLITICS

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When Donald J. Trump announced his campaign for president in 2015, journalists, historians, and politicians alike attempted to compare his candidacy to that of Governor George C. Wallace. Like Trump, Wallace, who launched four presidential campaigns between 1964 and 1976, utilized rhetoric based in resentment, nationalism, and anger to sway and eventually captivate voters among America's white majority. Though separated by almost half a century, the campaigns of both Wallace and Trump broke new grounds for political partisanship and divisiveness.

In *Fear, Hate, and Victimhood: How George Wallace Wrote the Donald Trump Playbook*, author Andrew E. Stoner conducts a deep analysis of the two candidates, their campaigns, and their speeches and activities, as well as their coverage by the media, through the lens of demagogic rhetoric. Though past work on Wallace argues conventional politics overcame the candidate, Stoner makes the case that Wallace may in fact be a prelude to the more successful Donald Trump campaign.

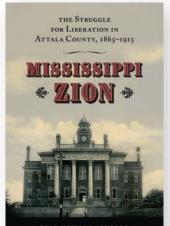
Though vast differences exist, the demagogic positioning of both men provides a framework to dissect these times—and perhaps a valuable warning about what is possible in our highly digitized information society.

Andrew E. Stoner is associate professor of communication studies at California State University, Sacramento. He is author of *Campaign Crossroads: Presidential Politics in Indiana from Lincoln to Obama* and *The Journalist of Castro Street: The Life of Randy Shilts.* 

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# The Struggle for Liberation in Attala County, 1865–1915 **Evan Howard Ashford**

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**Evan Howard Ashford** is assistant professor of Africana and Latinx studies at State University of New York at Oneonta. His work has appeared in such publications as the *Journal of Southern History*, *Journal of African American History*, USAbroad: Journal of American History and Politics, and Journal of Health Science and Education.

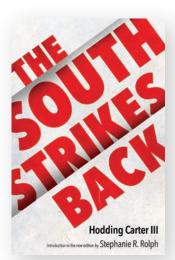
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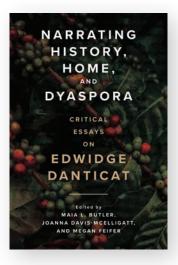
**Hodding Carter III** is an American journalist and politician. He is professor emeritus of public policy at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Carter worked for eighteen years as a reporter and editor for the *Delta Democrat-Times* of Greenville, Mississippi, owned by his father.

# Narrating History, Home, and Dyaspora

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-Maxine Lavon Montgomery, editor of Conversations with Edwidge Danticat

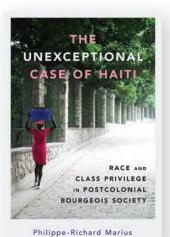
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Marius recasts the world-historical significance of the Saint-Domingue Revolution to investigate the twinned significance of color/race and class in the reproduction of privilege and inequality in contemporary Haiti. Through his ethnography, class emerges as the principal site of social organization among Haitians, notwithstanding the country's global prominence as a "Black Republic." It is class, and not color or race, that primarily produces distinctive Haitian socioeconomic formations.

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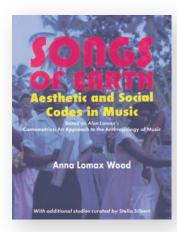
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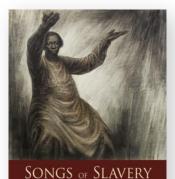
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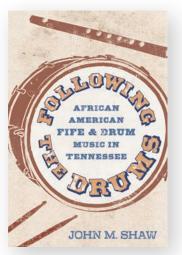
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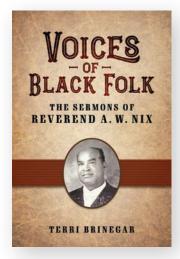
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John M. Shaw is a musicologist, musician, writer, and blogger, currently pursuing a doctorate at the University of Memphis.

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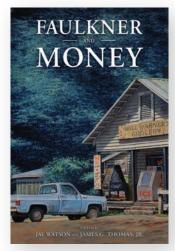
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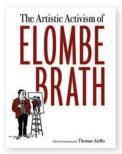
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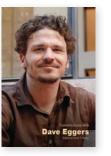
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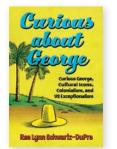
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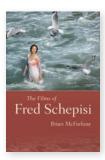
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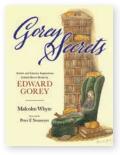
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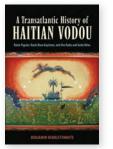
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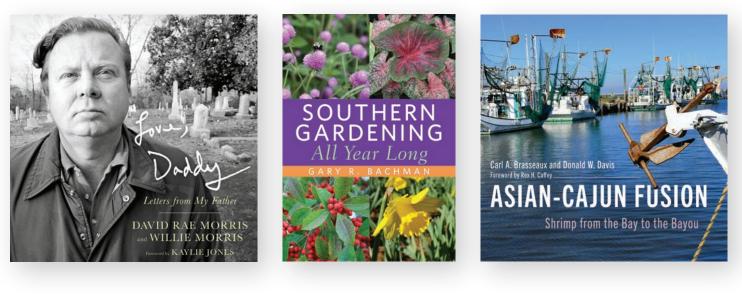
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