



Annotated List of New Books at
The Kaufman Silverberg Library

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Adult

Judaic Non Fiction

Building on a Tradition of Caring: the Sharon Home, by Annalee Greenberg. This commemorative volume tells the history of the Sharon Home, the Jewish personal care home in Winnipeg.

Cries in the Night: women who challenged the Holocaust, by Michael Phayer and Eva Fleischner. Tells a story of seven Catholic women who risked their lives to save Jews.

The Essential Kabbalah: the heart of Jewish mysticism, by Daniel C. Matt. Offers insightful accounts of the primary aspects of Jewish mysticism.

In the Footsteps of the Prophets, by Moshe Pearlman. The story of the prophets and their time accompanied by maps and illustrations.

Jerusalem Always, photographs by Marcelo Bendahan; text by Heidi Gleit. Features over 200 photographs and text in Spanish and English that reveal glimpses into the people, festivals, food, religion and the architecture of Jerusalem.

The Jewish Museum of Budapest, editors Ilona Benoschofsky and Alexander Scheiber. This catalogue shows a collection of Judaic objects that illustrate the history of the Hungarian Jewish community.

Kashruth: a comprehensive background and reference guide to the principles of kashruth, by Yacov Lipschutz. An internationally respected kashruth authority shares accumulated knowledge and experience so the lay reader emerges with a clear understanding.

Rabbis: the many faces of Judaism: 100 unexpected photographs of rabbis with essays in their own words, by George Kalinsky. Rabbis in cowboy boots, rabbis in fatigues, rabbis on cell phones, gay rabbis, rabbis who eat sushi all profile.

Judaic Fiction

Drawing in the Dust, by Zoë Klein. The author, the Rabbi of a large Los Angeles synagogue, Page Brookstone, has toiled at Israel's storied battlegrounds of Megiddo for twelve years, yet none of the ancient remnants she has unearthed deliver the life-altering message she craves.

General Fiction

The Appeal, by John Grisham. In a crowded courtroom in Mississippi, a jury returns a shocking verdict against a chemical company accused of dumping toxic waste into a small town's water supply.

Atmospheric Disturbances, by Rivka Galchen. Investigates the moment of crisis when you suddenly realize that the reality you insist upon is no longer one you can accept, and the person you love has become merely the person you live with. This highly inventive debut explores the mysterious nature of human relationships.

Beatrice and Virgil, by Yann Martel. Not just one boy's improbable adventure, but the very real horror of the Holocaust, and the difficulty of doing it justice in telling it.

A Change in Altitude, by Anita Shreve. After a horrific climbing accident in Kenya, a young wife must struggle to maintain her balance as her sense of self, her marriage, and her understanding of the world are fundamentally shaken.

The Convalescent, by Jessica Anthony. The story of a small, bearded man selling meat out of a bus parked next to a stream in suburban Virginia . . . and also, somehow, the story of 10,000 years of Hungarian history.

Generosity: an enhancement, by Richard Powers. What will happen to life when science identifies the genetic basis of happiness? Do we dare revise our own temperaments? Richard Powers asks us to consider the big questions facing humankind as we begin to rewrite our own existence.

Her Fearful Symmetry, by Audrey Niffenegger. When Elspeth Noblin dies of cancer, she leaves her London apartment to her twin teenage nieces, Julia and Valentina who become embroiled in their neighbors' fraying lives.

The Leisure Seeker, by Michael Zadoorian. John and Ella Robina kidnap themselves from their adult children and the doctors who seem to run their lives and steal off on a forbidden vacation determined to prove that, when it comes to life, you can go back for seconds and sneak a little extra time.

Peace, by Richard Bausch. In Italy, 1944, three Americans are on a reconnaissance mission. A powerful look at the human cost of war and the power of mercy.

The Plague of Doves, by Louise Erdrich. Pluto, North Dakota forms the center of interactions among Native Americans and the eager dreamers who want to build a better life on the plains. Interconnecting stories come together in a tale of both heartbreak and humour.

The Russian Debutante's Handbook, by Gary Shteyngart. An adventure of unrelenting lunacy that takes us from New York's Lower East Side to the hip frontier wilderness of Prava - the Eastern European Paris of the nineties, with unrelenting wit and social commentary.

Shanghai Girls, by Lisa See. A novel from bestselling author Lisa See about two sisters, two cultures, and the struggle to find a new life in America while bound to the old.

The Wasted Vigil, by Nadeem Aslam. A moving look at the human cost of Afghanistan's war-torn reality.

The Wilderness, by Samantha Harvey. Jake, about to lose his past to Alzheimer's has increasingly unreliable memories. What happened to his daughter? Why is his son imprisoned? And why can't he shake the memory of a yellow dress and one lonely, echoing gunshot?

Teacher Resource

Français de base 4e année: Le Festival du Voyageur: Supplément au document de mise en oeuvre. Manitoba Education and Training. Ideas for teaching the Festival du Voyageur in French for grade 4.

Français de base 5e année: Le Festival du Voyageur: Supplément au document de mise en oeuvre. Manitoba Education and Training. Ideas for teaching the Festival du Voyageur in French for grade 5

Français de base 6e année: Le Festival du Voyageur: Supplément au document de mise en oeuvre. Manitoba Education and Training. Ideas for teaching the Festival du Voyageur in French for grade 6.

Le Français de base au Manitoba: Basic French in Manitoba: Á vos marques, prêts, partez! A must-have guide for teachers. Provides tools and familiarizes teachers with resources necessary to support the delivery of Basic French curriculum.

Français de base 4e à la 6e année: Supplément au document de mise en oeuvre: Les verbes en action: Verbs in action. Includes materials for teaching English-speaking children in grades 4-6 who are learning French as a second language.

RCMP Education Package: The Origin of the RCMP: On Guard for Thee: The History of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police: The Great March West. Presented by Manitoba Hydro. Features a video and 6 lesson plans in the teacher's guide as well as suggested activities to help students learn about the history of RCMP.

Une recette pour l'enseignement du Français dans les classes á niveaux multiples de la 4e à la 6e année: tout le monde á table. A recipe for teaching basic French in the multilevel

classroom, Grades 4-6. A curriculum guide with games and activities for teaching French in a multi-level classroom.

DVD's

Glimpses of Yiddish Czernowitz. A Yiddish film with English subtitles. A film by Boris Sandler and Chana Pollack. Narrates critical historical moments of Jewish life in Czernowitz.

Last Stand of the 300: the legendary battle at Thermopylae. Produced by Limulus Productions, Inc. for the History Channel; directed and edited by David W. Padrusch. A documentary explaining the details of the ancient Spartans' showdown with the Persian army at the battle of Thermopylae in 480 B.C.

A Midsummer Night's Dream; Max Reinhardt's Production. Max Reinhardt's legendary Hollywood Bowl production of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* was transferred to the screen by Warner Bros. in 1935.

A Midsummer Night's Dream; presented by Peter Hall and the Royal Shakespeare Company. One of the wittiest and wildest of all versions of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

Sixty Six. Directed by Paul Weiland. It is the summer of '66, and England is about to be consumed by World Cup fever. For 12 year-old Bernie though, the biggest day of his life is looming: his Bar Mitzvah, and the day he becomes a man. Bernie's family is increasingly distracted by the threat of losing their business and their wayward older son, and the scale of Bernie's Bar Mitzvah diminishes daily.

CD's

Israel Zohar's Best, Jewish soul music; Golden Hassidic hits. A collection of well-known Jewish melodies, and Hassidic interpretations of other famous tunes.

For Students and Younger Readers

General Non Fiction

Graveyards of the Dinosaurs: what it's like to discover prehistoric creatures, by Shelley Tanaka. Discusses the work of paleontologists who have found dinosaur bones and fossils in Canada, Argentina, and the Gobi Desert.

Guinness World Records, 2011. Fully updated with all new photos. Includes world's biggest beasts and beings, as well as eye-popping 3-D cinema facts, 75 years of TV, circus skills and side show arts, and wild and wacky records from all over the world, including fun Canadian ones.

The Puzzle of the Dinosaur-bird: the story of Archaeopteryx, by Miriam Schlein. Presents the history of Archaeopteryx discoveries, which is considered to be a transitional species from dinosaur to bird.

Middle Years Fiction

Ever-clever Elisa, by Johanna Hurwitz. Begins with our heroine entering first grade. Proud of "being in a grade with a number" and enamored of her new teacher Ms. Lovelace, Elisa takes one of her mother's rings and gives it to her teacher.

Joey Pigza Loses Control, by Jack Gantos. Joey, who is still taking medication to keep him from getting too wired, goes to spend the summer with the hard-drinking father he has never known and tries to help the baseball team his dad coaches win the championship.

Judy Moody, M.D.: the doctor is in! by Megan McDonald. Judy is excited about becoming a doctor, especially when Class 3T starts a new unit on the human body.

Lily B. on the Brink of Cool, by Elizabeth Cody Kimmel. The eventually internationally recognized writer Lily Blennerhassett spends her thirteenth summer missing her best friend and keeping a journal of her boring life at home and exciting newly-discovered relatives.

The Search for Sunken Treasure, by Geronimo Stilton. In book 25 of the *Geronimo Stilton* series, Geronimo is off to the Ratlapagos Islands with his family in search of a long-lost buried treasure.

Talent Show Scaredy-pants; Book 5 in the series *Ready, Freddy!* by Abby Klein. Freddy is nervous about the first-grade Grandparent's Day talent show, especially with Max bullying and teasing him, but Freddy's dad has a solution in mind.

Thea Stilton and the Mountain of Fire, by Geronimo Stilton. Nicky and her friends, the Thea Sisters, head to Australia to solve a mystery.

A Whirlwind Vacation: Katie Kazoo Switcheroo super special, by Nancy Krulik. Katie is very excited about her family's trip to London, Paris, Madrid, and Venice, but when the magic wind strikes not once, but four times, Katie's European vacation is turned upside down.

Easy Readers

The Biggest, Best Snowman, by Margery Cuyler. Nell is told by her big sisters and her mother that she is too small to help out, but everyone, including Nell, feels differently after her forest friends give her the confidence to build a large snowman.

Five Little Monkeys Wash the Car, by Eileen Christelow. The five little monkeys and Mama are eager to get a new car so they paint their old car until it sparkles like new. But who will buy it?

Good Night, Sweet Butterflies: a colour dreamland, by Melanie Gerth. Young ones will love learning to count backwards from nine to one as touchable, colorful butterflies disappear one by one as bedtime approaches.

Guess How Much I Love You, by Sam McBratney. During a bedtime game, every time Little Nutbrown Hare demonstrates how much he loves his father, Big Nutbrown Hare gently shows him that the love is returned even more.

I'm so Embarrassed! by Robert Munsch. Whether by showing his baby pictures to his teacher or smoothing his hair with spit, Andrew's mother constantly embarrasses him while at the mall until he figures out a way to get even.

Just my Friend and Me, by Mercer Mayer. Though playing with a friend can be a great deal of fun, it's good to be alone sometimes too.

Little Teddy left Behind, by Anne Mangan. Left behind when his young owners move, a teddy bear has exciting adventures with a variety of people and animals.

Please Play Safe! Penguin's guide to playground safety, by Margery Cuyler. Penguin and his animal friends demonstrate how to play safely and use good manners.

Put me in the Zoo, by Robert Lopshire. Spot, a polka-dot leopard who can change colors and even juggle his own spots, tries to convince two children that he is special enough to be exhibited in the zoo.

Rude Ramsay and the Roaring Radishes, by Margaret Atwood. In this story told mainly with words that begin with the letter "r," Rude Ramsay goes on an adventure with his friend Ralph the red-nosed rat.

Ten Little Ladybugs, by Melanie Gerth. Young readers will love counting backwards as they watch eight ladybugs disappear one by one with each turn of the page.

Tyrannosaurus Reg, by Dan Crisp. A hide-and-peek book full of noisy surprises where Reg hatches from his egg and finds a frightening world. But what can the baby T-Rex do about the big, scary dinosaurs?

DVD's

Stellaluna. Based on the award winning book by Jannell Cannon. After a baby bat named Stellaluna falls headfirst into a bird's nest, she is raised like a bird until she is reunited with her mother.

Videos

Trains, Cranes, Planes and other fun Machines. Offers children of all ages a close up look at the largest and most powerful machines, like large construction machinery building highways, an airplane ready for take off, a super submarine and trains.