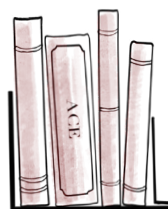


ACE NEWS



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ACE BOOK DISCUSSION DAY 2023 60th Anniversary Celebration

Monday, April 24, 2023

Celebrate 60 With Us!

Come all readers! Join us for the 60th Anniversary of Book Discussion Day! The day-long event began in 1963 as an annual companion to Living Room Learning classes (now Off-Campus Studies) and then, as now, was intended to sharpen reading and discussion skills. From the beginning the format has been the same. The Book Discussion Day Committee, consisting of 15-20 members, reads and evaluates provocative books throughout the year, arriving at one book they feel will create lively and productive discussion on many levels. Attendees of BDD gather together, all having read the chosen book. Small groups are formed, and Committee members facilitate a perceptive two-hour discussion. After lunch, everyone enjoys a lecture by a professor whose field of concentration applies valuable insights into the book. A question and answer period follows.

The first discussions set the serious tone. In 1963, attendees read John Hersey's *The Child Buyer*, followed by William Golding's *Lord of the Flies*. Next came Albert Camus' *The Plague* and following that Nikos Kazantzakis' *The Greek Passion*. It is exciting to read the roster of notable books and their authors. We see a wide variety of stellar books whose subjects have ranged around the globe, written by the world's most famous authors.

Controversial books have never been avoided. In 2001 *The Human Stain* by Phillip Roth challenged readers to think outside the box. In 2002, attendees spent an energetic day discussing Italo Calvino's collection of short stories *Numbers in the Dark*. Recently, the book in drama form *Lincoln in the Bardo* by George Saunders asked the most of readers.

Over the years, we presented authors who stand out in the annals of literature: Franz Kafka, Gabriel Garcia Marquez, Maxine Hong Kingston, Alexander Solzhenitsyn, J.M. Coetzee, Iris Murdoch, Richard Powers, Toni Morrison, Jose Saramago, Amos Oz, Haruki Murakami, William Trevor, Alice Munro, to name just a few. Look for a full list of books presented over our 60 year history on the registration table at this year's Book Discussion Day.

Join us for another banner year of reading. Come and see what is offered for your enjoyment and evaluation this year! ~ Diana Vargo

Please check the ACE website for a list of books that have been selected for discussion over the years (www.acesite.org).



2023 Book Discussion Day Author ANTHONY MARRA

Anthony Marra was born in Washington D.C. in 1984. His college years include studying in St. Petersburg, Russia, before graduation from The University of California. He received a Master of Fine Arts Degree from the University of Iowa and entered the Iowa Writers Workshop in 2009.

His first novel, *A Constellation of Vital Phenomena*, was a runaway best seller when he was only twenty eight. Marra's other award-winning works include the short story, "Chechnya", for which he won the Pushcart Prize and was greatly influenced by his time in Russia. Among his many awards are the Narrative Prize, the Whiting Award and the Anisfield-Wolf Award for fiction (2014).

When Anthony Marra is asked what has been the strongest influence for his unique works he credits his mother's six siblings and his father's four sisters for providing rich accounts in the lives of ordinary people in remarkable situations.

~ Micki Brook

BOOK DISCUSSION DAY CONTINUED



2023 Book Discussion Day
Guest Speaker

FREDERICK J. KAREM
(JEFF), Ph.D.,

Chair & Professor of English,
College of Arts and Sciences,
Department of English,
Cleveland State University

A remarkable Discussion Day many may remember was Professor Jeff Karem's richly nuanced presentation of Anthony Doerr's *All The Light We Cannot See*. Those attending Discussion Day 2023 will be delighted to know Professor Karem will be our guest speaker once again.

Professor Karem received his Ph.D. from Yale University and his B.A. from Rice University.

His research and teaching focus on twentieth-century American Literature. Those of us who have been fortunate enough to be in Prof. Karem's classrooms are well aware of his deep interest in questions of author and audience. Because Professor Karem believes that America's multicultural heritage is the source of our literary and cultural strength, he is uniquely qualified to lead another marvelous Discussion Day.

~ Micki Brook

BOOK DISCUSSION DAY RUNNERS-UP

The runners-up for Book Discussion Day are Toni Morrison's *Song of Solomon* and Barbara Kingsolver's *Demon Copperhead*

Toni Morrison

Born Chloe Ardelia Wofford (February 1931) in racially integrated Lorain, Ohio, to a Black working class family, Toni Morrison emerged as one of the USA's most celebrated authors. Among other awards, she won The National Book Critics Circle Award for *Song of Solomon* (1977), a Pulitzer for *Beloved* in 1987 and the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1993. Briefly married to Jamaican architect, Harold Morrison, she had two sons she raised, often beginning her writing day at 4 AM. Morrison died in 2019, at age 88.

Synopsis of Toni Morrison's *Song of Solomon*

Morrison's third novel, *Song of Solomon*, published in 1977, earned a National Book Critics Circle Award. *Song of Solomon* begins with an African American insurance man attempting to fly from the roof of Mercy Hospital (somewhere in Michigan) and crashing to his death. The event causes a Black doctor's wife to go into labor and deliver the first Black child born at the hospital. When the baby, Macon Dead III, outgrows infancy and becomes a toddler, his mother is still nursing him, resulting in his nickname Milkman. Alienated from his family, especially from his father, an emotionally frozen doctor dedicated to amassing wealth, Milkman eventually discovers his aunt, Pilate, and develops a relationship with her, her daughter Reba and granddaughter Hagar. Pilate reveals that she and his father once discovered bags of gold but were scared to claim them. Milkman and his friend Guitar believe one bag of gold is suspended from the roof of Pilate's home and steal it. When they examine the bag's contents, they find human bones, not gold, and the two young men are arrested. Still drawn by the possibility of retrieving gold, Milkman goes to Danville, Pennsylvania, to search caves for gold, then decides Pilate had taken it to Shalimar, Virginia, a town he later visits. He hears children singing "The Song of Solomon," and recognizes it portrays his family. Before leaving his hometown, Milkman was romantically involved with Pilate's granddaughter, Hagar, but later spurns her, driving her to despair and death. When Milkman returns to Pilate's, she attacks him, but the two later decide to bury Pilate's father in Shalimar, his ancestral home. Guitar, the alienated friend, aims a bullet at Milkman, but kills Pilate instead. Milkman, on a precipice, dares to leap. The final line of the novel declares "...if you surrendered to the air, you could ride it." ~ Linda Tuthill

Barbara Kingsolver

Barbara Kingsolver is an American novelist, essayist and poet. She was raised in rural Kentucky and lived briefly in the Congo during her early childhood. Kingsolver studied biology at DePauw and the University of Arizona, and worked as a freelance writer before she began writing novels.

Her widely known works include *The Poisonwood Bible*, the tale of a missionary family in the Congo, and *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle*, a non-fiction account of her family's attempts to eat locally. Her work often focuses on topics related to social justice, biodiversity and the interaction between humans and their communities and environments.

Each book published since 1993 has been on the New York Times Bestseller list. She has received numerous awards including the UK's "Orange Prize for Fiction" in 2010 for *The Lacuna* and the National Humanities Medal. She has been nominated for the PEN/Faulkner Award and the Pulitzer Prize. In 2000, Barbara Kingsolver established the Bellwether Prize to support "literature of social change".

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Review of *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver

Barbara Kingsolver showcases her amazing talent in *Demon Copperhead* where her stunning fiction meets the harsh realities of American life as a young man struggles from birth to battle poverty, drug addiction and the foster care system.

Set in Southern Appalachia, *Demon Copperhead* is the story of a young boy, born to an addicted single mother, who nevertheless has an unbelievable talent for survival. He grows up surrounded by a world fighting against his survival, which he navigates almost from the moment of his birth. It's a world he had to survive bouncing from one small space of comfort and security to another with much resiliency.

Kingsolver tells us she based this story on Dickens' *David Copperfield* and uses the story to hold up a mirror that reflects the horrors of opioid addiction on the poor in this country. It's truly a life journey not to be missed, told by a masterful storyteller! ~ **Kathy DeJohn**



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acesite.org

Watch for more information
on acesite.org, in the newsletter,
online or by mail.

ACE BOOK SALE, AN EXCITING JUNE EVENT

Great news! We have scheduled the ACE Annual Book Sale for Saturday, June 3, Sunday, June 4, Monday, June 5 (half price day) and Tuesday, June 6 (box day, all you can carry in a bag or box for \$5 each). The following is the schedule for each day.

Saturday, June 3rd 10 am – 12 noon - preview (\$20 fee)

12 noon – 5 pm - free admission

Sunday, June 4th 12 noon – 5 pm

Monday, June 5th 12 noon – 5 pm

Tuesday, June 6th 9 am – 12 noon- Box Sale (\$5/box)

Come and get books, CD's, DVD's, even the newly popular vinyl records. Staff has let us know that a nice selection of graphic novels will be available this year. This event benefits ACE programs throughout the year.

We have a wonderful group of volunteers who have been working in the warehouse throughout the pandemic. However, we could always use more help because donations arrive constantly. The books, vinyl, CDs, DVDs, and ephemera need to be sorted into departments similar to the departments you see in a bookstore. It is a book lovers paradise as so many interesting and unusual books pass through.

Donations are needed. Drop off donations can be made on Tuesdays from 10 am to 1 pm. Directions to the warehouse are on the ACE website.

Our biggest need is help during the book sale. Volunteers can be found doing a number of tasks. Ensuring security means guarding the possible exit doors and handling the carts so they are not taken. Cashiers and people determine the amount owed. Volunteers in departments keep tables neat and organized.

ACE depends on the sale for funding our programs. The more volunteer help we have, especially during the sale, the more funds will be available.

If you are interested in working at the warehouse or during the sale, please call me (Sandy Melzer) at 440-476-7251. ~ **Sandy Melzer**



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



“This summer ACE is again hosting a trip to Niagara-on-the-Lake and the Shaw Festival”

Dear ACE Members and Friends:

I want to thank ACE members, especially the board, hard working committee members and Lorraine Nelson for their help and support during my term as ACE president. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve in this capacity. Although I am stepping down as president I look forward to continuing my involvement with the book sale and the New Programs Committee.

The ACE programs for 2022 concluded with two very successful events: Lecture Day, “To Universes and Beyond with NASA’s James Webb Space Telescope” on October 10th, and a trip to the Toledo Museum of Art and Glass Pavilion on November 4th.

There are several events to put on your calendar this spring. On April 14th there will be a Cleveland GEM tour of the Morgan Conservatory. Within the building there are facilities for paper making, letterpress printing and bookbinding. Our tour will include a demonstration of papermaking and viewing of their 11th annual juried exhibition. This year marks the sixtieth anniversary of Book Discussion Day. Celebrate with us on April 24th at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church. Small group discussions are back so you will have the opportunity to share your ideas and learn from others. I already have my copy of *Mercury Pictures Presents*, by Anthony Marra.

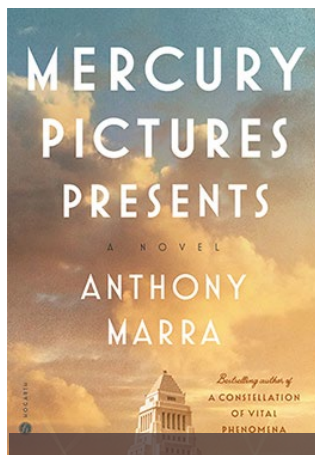
The speaker for the ACE Annual Meeting in May will be Sean McDermott, Chief Planning and Design Officer of Cleveland Metroparks. He’ll be speaking about the history and development of six lakefront parks whose ownership was recently transferred to the Cleveland Metroparks. He was instrumental in the building of the new beach house at Edgewater and will also talk about future plans for the lakefront. It is important that you attend since we will be voting on a new slate of officers and members at large to serve for the next two years.

This summer ACE is again hosting a trip to Niagara-on-the-Lake and the Shaw Festival. Due to Covid, closed borders, and closed theaters we were not able to enjoy NOTL for a few years, but this year, thanks to planning done by Margi Robinson, we are again able to offer this trip and theater experience. The deadline for registering is March 31.

ACE will be again hosting the Acclaimed Authors summer series of presentations by local authors. The dates are Friday, June 9, Friday, July 14 and Friday, August 11. The Author summer series will be held at the Judson Park Mansion.

Thank you for your support of ACE. It has been my pleasure to serve as your president.

~ Bobbie Farrell - ACE President



Mercury Pictures Presents

A book as cinematic as a 1940's thriller! Wow! That is what renowned author Anthony Marra has captured in his latest robust novel *Mercury Pictures Presents*. Marra, author of *A Constellation of Vital Phenomena*, is known as a writer of fantastic escapades. *Mercury Pictures Presents* involves numerous heartbreaking disasters happening in breakneck speed in the period before and during the Second World War.

So original is Marra's writing as he teases out the numerous complications of human relationships, the subtle grace notes in ordinary peoples' lives. What is fake is presented as real. What is real is presented as fake. But do not be confused. The book is like reading a fast paced drama where no one is all good and no one is all evil. Even the United States does not escape Marra's wicked imagination. There is our duplicitous moral compass portrayed with Marra's cinematic ability to capture the intricate cruelties of war. Everyone and every country is portrayed in bizarre and often hilarious escapades. Marra's gift is in illuminating even tragedy with humor.

Mercury Pictures Presents is Marra's second novel in ten years, although he has won numerous awards for his short stories.

I wonder what gift of literature the next decade will bring?

~ Micki Brook



ACE ANNUAL MEETING

May 2023

When: Thursday, May 18th, 11:30 am to 2:30 pm., lunch at noon followed by speaker, and Q & A.

Where: The Clubhouse at Sleepy Hollow, 445 Brecksville Road, Brecksville, Ohio 44141.

Cost: \$30 members and \$35 non-members. Includes buffet lunch.

Reservations are required. Register through acesite.org.

Guest Speaker: Sean McDermott, Chief Planning and Design Officer, Cleveland Metroparks. Sean McDermott holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of Dayton and a master's in urban planning from Cleveland State University's Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs. These qualifications and his previous experience in the private sector have prepared him to improve the quality of life of Northeast Ohio residents through expanding access and connections to Cleveland Metroparks' world class park system. He and his staff of nineteen oversee improvements to the system's 23,000 acres of parkland, which includes 300 miles of trails, eight golf courses and eight lakefront parks, as well as the zoo. Under CEO Brian Zimmerman, the park system has begun to transform seven lakefront parks previously owned by the State of Ohio and Cuyahoga County. So far, several projects have been completed or are underway, including a new beach house at Edgewater Park, a new pedestrian bridge over Euclid Creek that connects Villa Angela and Wildwood parks and the restoration of the pier at Euclid Beach Park.



SUMMER SHAW FESTIVAL TRIP 2023

Tuesday, August 15 - Wednesday, August 16, 2023

At last! ACE members and friends can look forward to a summer trip to the Shaw Festival at Niagara-on-the Lake (NOTL) in mid-August. This two-day package includes deluxe coach travel from Cleveland, a night in a first-class hotel, two theater productions, and two meals, all planned in detail by Margi Robinson and members of the ACE New Programs Committee. Here are the particulars:

Included play & musical: *Playboy of the Western World* by J.M. Synge and *Gypsy* by Arthur Laurents (book), Jule Styne (music), & Stephen Sondheim (lyrics).

Included meals: Tuesday dinner and Wednesday breakfast at Queens Landing

Day 1: Arrive NOTL 12:30 pm. Ample time to attend a 2 pm matinee of your choice (not included in package; book ahead at shawfest.com or by phone at 1-800-511-7429). Group dinner (included in package) at hotel. Attend *Playboy of the Western World*, 8 pm, as a group.

Day 2: Breakfast buffet at hotel (included in package); check out of hotel; free time—morning and lunch on your own. Attend *Gypsy*, 2 pm, as a group. Departure for Cleveland directly from Festival Theater.

Cost: ACE Members: \$500 per person double occupancy
Non-ACE members: \$520 per person double occupancy
(limited single occupancy may be available for an additional charge)

PASSPORT REQUIRED. TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE, SUBMIT \$200 DEPOSIT BY March 31, 2023. Balance is due by June 1, 2023. Checks payable to ACE; mail to ACE, CWRU, 10900 Euclid Ave. Cleveland, OH 44106-7116 Att.: Shaw Call Margi Robinson (216) 906-5969 if you have questions.



August 15 - August 16

Lodging:
Elegant Queens Landing,
steps away from the
theater. Free hotel valet
service to and from
downtown shops and
restaurants.

THE SIEGAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



“I am particularly excited about some of our upcoming Spring programs, including a series of lectures by CWRU and CSU professors”



Dear ACE Members,

A heartfelt thanks to all of the members of ACE for their continued passion for continuing educational opportunities in Northeast Ohio! It has been a very long and challenging couple of years, and we are so pleased to finally be returning to a new normal, offering in-person classes again in Beachwood and renewing our strong community partnerships in the east, south, and west sides of Cleveland to include a wide geographical and intellectual range of classes. As ever, we thank ACE for its continued contributions to the honoraria of our instructors, which makes this programming possible.

There have been a lot of changes in the last couple of years, so one of our priorities for 2023 is to recruit more instructors to deliver quality content to our learners. Please feel free to contact us with suggestions for instructors or encourage people you know who would be appropriate to contact us.

I am particularly excited about some of our upcoming Spring programs, including a series of lectures by CWRU and CSU professors about the 2022 Nobel Prize winners and their research or writing. We are also offering a series of classes and lectures that tie into the Cleveland Museum of Art's Tudors exhibition opening this February – please join us to learn about the historical, literary, and musical background of the court of Henry the Eighth to enhance your enjoyment of that exhibition. I also encourage you to check out our educational travel offerings and explore the world with CWRU faculty!

Thank you again on behalf of Siegal Lifelong Learning and we look forward to a fantastic year of programming.

~ Karen Laurence - Director of Educational Programs and Faculty & Alumni Engagement, Siegal Lifelong Learning Program, CWRU

TIME TO SIGN UP FOR OFF CAMPUS STUDIES OFFERINGS



This winter saw a robust enthusiasm for the Off Campus Studies program, with four remote and eleven in-person classes. One of the exciting consequences of our remote classes is that we have attracted out-of-state participants: people from California, Florida, Illinois, Michigan, New York, and Nevada are part of the student population this winter. Winter classes supported by ACE can be found on the ACE website and spring classes will appear there soon.

Another interesting development is the expansion of venues for the program. In addition to using the Landmark Centre Building in Beachwood, we now offer OCS courses at The Normandy in Rocky River, South Franklin Circle in Chagrin Falls, Judson Park in Cleveland, Breckenridge Village in Willoughby, and the Holden University Center at Lakeland Community College in Kirtland. We will be exploring other facilities for the future.

With the increase in the number of people participating in OCS and additional venues, we will also be recruiting new instructors. If you or someone you know want to find out more about becoming an instructor, please contact me at 216-368-5145 or lyn@case.edu. Even if someone is not in the greater Cleveland area, he or she might be able to offer a remote class.

And finally, many thanks for the generous support from ACE for the OCS program. We no longer provide mileage reimbursement for our instructors, but we have managed to increase the honoraria we pay them. Without the support of ACE, some of our low-enrollment classes would have to be canceled. So, whenever you see *“This course is offered with the generous support of the Association for Continuing Education”* know that the ACE executive board, on your behalf, is continuing a decades-old tradition of providing adults with lifelong learning experiences. ~ Lorraine Nelson

Spotlight

ACE's Own Member: Pat Brownell Collins Meet ACE'S Newsletter Editor

Pat Brownell Collins first heard about ACE through friends at the Cleveland Skating Club, and it is our good fortune to have this remarkable woman on the ACE team as editor of this newsletter. She and her husband, Jim, had recently come to Cleveland after living and working in New York City for many years where she was, and is, still involved in many activities originating there. She readily stepped up when this editorship became available. Pat told me that she began her affiliation with women's groups after graduating from social work school and joined the Women's Issues Committee of the NYC National Association of Social Workers. ACE offered the same opportunity to meet and work with like-minded women (and men), so she immediately felt right at home!



We met one day recently over lunch, and I heard about what she has been doing prior to moving to Cleveland. I was immediately struck with Pat's work life being a mosaic of many different aspects and branches of working on issues related to those in need. Pat modestly sees it as linear, with one thing just leading to another.

After graduating from the University of Wisconsin, Pat headed to NYC for work in public welfare and was hired by the New York City Human Resources Administration (HRA). She continued to work there for 26 years before leaving to take a faculty position at the Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service. While working for HRA, she earned a MSW (policy and administration) and a PhD (gerontology) from Fordham, where she remains an emerita professor. During her tenure in NYC government, she held positions in various parts of public welfare (public entitlement programs like AFDC and Medicaid, child welfare, domestic violence, home care, and housing and homeless services). At Fordham she did her academic research in elder abuse and collaborated with the New York Police Department (NYPD). Some of her published work can be found on Google Scholar.

Pat's warmth and abilities have led her along the way to meet and keep valued friends in all facets of social work and the aging field of practice. Through them, she joined committees to share ideas and expertise on local, national and international levels. She has served as consultant to the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) for an Expert Group Meeting on Neglect, Abuse and Violence Against Older Women, and is a member of the Board of Directors, International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (INPEA). She also serves on the State of Ohio Attorney General's Commission on Elder Abuse, Research Committee. Her international work was heightened during the COVID epidemic, through the expansion of Zoom that promoted worldwide online communication.

Pat says New York City molded her after she left Wisconsin, where she was not much of a joiner. In that stimulating big city, she learned that she was open to everything: committees, jobs, and lasting friendships. To condense everything in this article that she has done and continues to do would take pages! In her spare time Pat is working on a mystery novel and meets regularly on Zoom with a writing group. She and Jim moved to Cleveland after visiting his sister and brother-in-law in Geauga County, and they found that this city had everything they loved in New York City: theater, music, art, beautiful affordable housing, great medical networks and wonderful (new) friends. They enjoy travelling together and then coming home and hanging out in their new city, Cleveland. ~ Diana Vargo

ACCLAIMED AUTHOR SERIES

Our series of presentations by local authors will be held this summer at Judson Park in the Living Room in the Mansion. There will be a catered lunch, followed by the program, a Q&A and author signings. The address for the Judson Park Mansion is 2181 Ambleside Drive, Cleveland, 44106.

Our June speaker will be Hilary Plum, author of *Strawberry Fields*, and the July speaker will be Brad Ricca, author of *True Raiders: The Untold Story of the 1909 Expedition to Find the Legendary Ark of the Covenant*. The August speaker will be Diane Vogel Ferri, author of *No Life But This: a Novel of Emily Warren Roebling*.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 2023 - Hilary Plum, *Strawberry Fields*



Hilary Plum is the author of several books, including the essay collection *Hole Studies*, the novel *Strawberry Fields*, and the work of nonfiction Watchfires, which received the GLCA New Writers Award. *Excisions*, a collection of poetry, is forthcoming from Black Lawrence Press in 2023. She teaches fiction, nonfiction, and editing & publishing at Cleveland State University (CSU) and in the NEOMFA program, and she is associate director of the CSU Poetry Center.

FRIDAY, JULY 14, 2023 - Brad Ricca, *True Raiders: The Untold Story of the 1909 Expedition to Find the Legendary Ark of the Covenant*



This book tells the untold true story of Monty Parker, a British rogue nobleman who, after being dared to do so by Ava Astor, the so-called "most beautiful woman in the world," headed a secret 1909 expedition to find the fabled Ark of the Covenant. In 1908, Monty is approached by a strange Finnish scholar named Valter Juvelius who claims to have discovered a secret code in the Bible that reveals the location of the Ark.

Monty assembles a ragtag group of blueblood adventurers, a renowned psychic, and a Franciscan father, to engage in a secret excavation just outside the city walls of Jerusalem.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 2023 - Diane Vogel Ferri, *No Life But This: a Novel of Emily Warren Roebling*



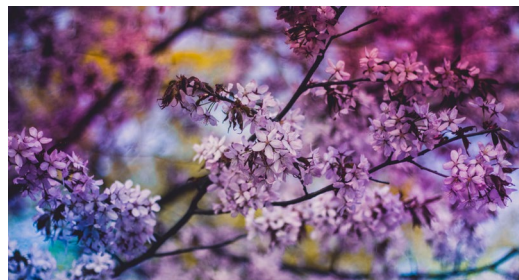
Diane Vogel Ferri will discuss her latest book *No Life But This: a Novel of Emily Warren Roebling*. Inspired by a walk across the Brooklyn Bridge, this book is based on the true story of Roebling, who had to take over the construction of the bridge when her husband, the chief engineer, fell ill.

Diane is a teacher, poet, and writer living in Solon, Ohio. Her essays have been published in *Scene Magazine*, *Cleveland Stories*, *Cleveland Christmas Memories*, and *Good Works Review* among others. Her poems can be found in numerous journals such as *Plainsongs*, *Rubbertop Review*, and *Poet Lore*. Her previous publications include *Liquid Rubies*, (poetry), *The Volume of Our Incongruity* (poetry), and *The Desire Path* (novel), which can be found on amazon.com. A former special education teacher, she holds an M.Ed. from Cleveland State University and is a founding member of Literary Cleveland.

~ Bobbie Farrell

Cost for single luncheon and presentation: Members \$25; non-members \$30.

Registration: checks payable to ACE; mail to Association for Continuing Education
Case Western Reserve University
Thwing Hall, Suite 153, 10900 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44106-7116



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MORGAN ART OF PAPERMAKING CONSERVATORY AND EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Friday, April 14, 10:00 am - 12:30 pm (Limited to 25)
1754 East 47th Street, Cleveland

The street runs one way north from Commerce Avenue to Payne Avenue.
Guest Parking is behind the building on the left side of East 49th Street,
which runs one way South from Payne Avenue.

Enjoy the current exhibit, and learn about historical and innovative papermaking, book arts, and letterpress printing. A demonstration will be included. The Morgan Conservatory opened in 2008. It is the largest arts center in the United States dedicated to every facet of papermaking, book arts and letterpress printing, and to cultivating the talents of established and emerging artists. It is a gathering place for the community, an education hub and purveyor of some of the finest handmade papers in the world. The unique gift shop will be open so that paper-made gems may be purchased.

At a local Asian Restaurant (TBA) Cost of lunch not included in tour price.

REGISTRATION OPTIONS

Online: www.acesite.org

Checks payable to ACE should be mailed to
CWRU, 10900 Euclid Avenue
Thwing Hall, Suite 153 Cleveland, OH 44106-7116
Be sure to write "Morgan" on your check.

To register by phone, call the ACE Office at
ACE Office to pay with credit card, 216-368-2090



CLEVELAND GEMS TOUR

Friday, April 14, 2023

10 am - 12:30 pm
Morgan Art of Papermaking
Conservatory and
Educational Foundation

ACE member: \$10
non-member: \$15

LONG RANGE PLANNING UPDATE

ACE's mission statement is as follows: "The purpose of this Association shall be to encourage and support continuing education for adults. This purpose is implemented by liaison with Case Western Reserve University in association with the Laura and Alvin Siegal Lifelong Learning Program."

The goals of the Long Range Planning Committee are that ACE be recognized as a provider of quality adult continuing education and that ACE be solvent.

The successful return of the CWRU-ACE Book Sale after a two year hiatus means that ACE is once again solvent and able to support programs as needed. Of course, it is still hoped that programs will be self-supporting. Our investment account goes up and down with the stock market but is holding its own given its volatility. We have also instituted a tiered system of membership where members can earn rewards for joining at higher levels. We have adjusted the price of our programs to be more in line with their cost.

ACE has not done quite as well in raising its profile in the community. However, we have made some significant steps. Our website has been re-done to make it easier to use and more reflective of ACE. We are ensuring that our programs are listed in the Siegal catalogue and that we receive credit for the programs we financially support. Lecture Day and Book Discussion Day, our premier programs, continue to be well subscribed. The Summer Authors Luncheons will return this year to a true luncheon format. We are sponsoring field trips to sites of interest, including the Toledo Art Museum. We are planning a return visit to the Shaw Festival this summer. We sponsored a trial outreach program for young professionals (see Education article). ~ Joanne Mortimer

BOOK DISCUSSION DAY 2023



What: MERCURY PICTURES PRESENTS

When: Monday, April 24, 2023
9:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Where: St. Paul's Episcopal Church
2747 Fairmount Blvd.
Cleveland Heights, OH 44106

Who: Speaker: Frederick J. Karem (Jeff) Ph.D.
Department of English, Cleveland State University

Cost: \$35 for the day for ACE members
\$40 for non-members
(coffee, program, lunch)

ACE patron members are entitled
to bring a guest at member rate.

MERCURY PICTURES PRESENTS

by: Anthony Marra

Monday, April 24, 2023
9:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Speaker:

Frederick J. Karem (Jeff) Ph.D.
Department of English,
Cleveland State University

Books:

Books are available at local book stores,
Amazon.com, libraries.

Reservations:

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CWRU, Thwing Center Room 153,
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___ ACE member - \$35 including lunch

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IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN ACE THIS YEAR!

There are lots of good programs coming:

Book Discussion Day, April 24, the annual book sale, June 3-6; spring session Off Campus Studies; another Cleveland GEM trip, April 14; three Summer Authors Luncheons, June 9, July 14, and August 11; trip to the Shaw Festival, August 15-16; and various other programs throughout the year. ACE programs are interactive, encouraging discussion and participation. We welcome volunteers who would like to help plan and take part in any of the above.

Please consider joining. A 501(c)(3) organization, ACE membership is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. You may join by filling out this membership form, by visiting our website at www.acesite.org, or by calling the office (216-368-2090). We appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you.

Annual membership is September 1 – August 30.

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upcoming event information!*

RECAP: ACE LECTURE DAY 2022 SUCCESS! JAMES WEBB TELESCOPE

On October 10, 2022, seventy-five ACE members and guests took a journey to previously unnumbered and unseen galaxies beyond our imagination. Dr. Christopher Mihos, CWRU Professor of Astronomy and colleagues, Dr. Bill Janesh, and Ray Garner, doctoral fellow, led guests on a space odyssey made possible through the eyes of the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST), launched December 2021.

Dr. Mihos compared side by side images previously taken from the Hubble Telescope with images newly arriving from the Webb space telescopes; helping the audience to appreciate how and why the Webb Telescope is essential to comprehending the millions, perhaps billions of galaxies beyond our Milky Way galaxy. Doctoral fellow Ray Garner demonstrated how images from JWST will be studied, using tools such as infra-red spectroscopy, to understand how new galaxies are formed while others explode or disappear. Dr. Bill Janesh moderated, organizing audience questions and bringing the well-received day to a closing crescendo.

Lecture Day 2023 will be on Monday, October 9. The Lecture Day Committee is seeking additional members and invites you to participate. The committee strives to meet monthly until the early summer, when most of the work will be complete. Please contact co-chairs, Bunny Haffke or Lael Carter if you are available and interested to serve. We would also welcome future topic suggestions for Lecture Day! Many thanks to Lecture Day Committee members: Bunny Haffke, Lael Carter, co-chairs, Patricia Ashton, Sally Chisholm, Bobbie Farrell, Toni Graham, Barbara Green, Ann Herbruck, Susan Hill, Kathy Manos, Lynn Reboul.

Those interested in joining the committee may contact Lael Carter at laelbill66@gmail.com, 216-906-8496 and Bunny Haffke at bunnyh@ameritech.net, 216-870-3877. ~ Lael Carter

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DATES TO REMEMBER

GEM Trip to Morgan Conservatory

Friday, April 14, 2023, 10 am-12:30 pm
1754 East 47th Street, Cleveland, OH

Book Discussion Day

Monday, April 24, 2023, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
2747 Fairmont Blvd. Cleveland Heights, OH

ACE Annual Meeting

Thursday, May 18, 2023, 11:30 am - 2:30 pm
The Clubhouse at Sleepy Hollow
9445 Brecksville Road, Brecksville, OH

ACE Annual Booksale

Saturday, June 3 - Tuesday, June 6
Adelbert Gym, CWRU
Adelbert Road, Cleveland, OH

Summer Authors Luncheons

Fridays - June 9, July 14, August 11
11:30 am - 2:30 pm
Judson Park Mansion, 2181 Ambleside
Drive, Cleveland, OH

Shaw Summer Festival Trip 2023

Tuesday - Wednesday, August 15-16, 2023