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## HUDSON HARTMAN

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*The Dreamer* East European Monographs

Who were the medieval illuminators? How were their hand-produced books illustrated and decorated? In this beautiful book Jonathan Alexander presents a survey of manuscript illumination throughout Europe from the fourth to the sixteenth century. He discusses the social and historical context of the illuminators' lives, considers their methods of work, and presents a series of case studies to show the range and nature of the visual sources and the ways in which they were adapted, copied, or created anew. Alexander explains that in the early period, Christian monasteries and churches were the main centers for the copying of manuscripts, and so the majority of illuminators were monks working in and for their own monasteries. From the eleventh century, lay scribes and illuminators became increasingly numerous, and by the thirteenth century, professional

illuminators dominated the field. During this later period, illuminators were able to travel in search of work and to acquire new ideas, they joined guilds with scribes or with artists in the cities, and their ranks included nuns and secular women. Work was regularly collaborative, and the craft was learned through an apprenticeship system. Alexander carefully analyzes surviving manuscripts and medieval treatises in order to explain the complex and time-consuming technical processes of illumination - its materials, methods, tools, choice of illustration, and execution. From rare surviving contracts, he deduces the preoccupation of patrons with materials and schedules. Illustrating his discussion with examples chosen from religious and secular manuscripts made all over Europe, Alexander recreates the astonishing variety and creativity of medieval illumination. His book will be a standard reference for years to come.

Egypt the Cradle of Ancient Masonry Leuven University Press  
The nineteenth-century writer and Masonic scholar Kenneth R. H. Mackenzie (1833-86) studied occultism with Frederick Hockley,

and met the famous French occultist Éliphas Lévi in 1861. He was also involved in the foundation of the Hermetic Order of the Golden Dawn. This extensive encyclopaedia, first published in 1877, is considered to be a classic Masonic reference work. It includes detailed information on the symbols, rites, legends, terms, people and places associated with Freemasonry. Some of the symbols are illustrated and lists of rankings are given, including a 'traditional' list of Grand Masters of England that includes Sts Swithin and Dunstan, Alfred the Great, Sir Christopher Wren (twice) and Charles II. Mackenzie aims in his entries to be critical when relevant: as he says in the Preface, freemasonry has 'received a willing tribute' in his book, but he hints at difficulties encountered in publishing material about a famously secretive society.

**Sutton Township, Quebec, 1850-1899** Franklin Classics  
From classics like King Kong, to beloved B-movies like The Beast from 20,000 Fathoms, to blockbusters like Jurassic Park, it's easy to see that filmmakers and audiences alike love to see dinosaurs on the screen. This comprehensive filmography, arranged alphabetically by title, contains entries that include basic facts (year of release, country of origin, studio, and running time), followed by a concise plot summary, the author's critical commentary, information on the production and the people behind it, and secrets of the often-ingenious special effects. Three useful appendices feature films with minor dinosaur content, planned but unfinished dinosaur movies, and the quasi-dinosaurs of Toho Studios. To be included, a movie must depict one or more representations of a "prehistoric reptile." Inaccurate portrayals are included, as long as the intent is to represent a

real or fictional dinosaur. Not eligible are films featuring prehistoric mammals, prehistoric humans or humanoids, and beasts of mythology--unless, of course, the movie also has a dinosaur.

**Philostratus** Dark Horse Comics

The migration, feeding and breeding of shorebirds are explained in a comprehensive but simple and visually stunning form. The core of the book is based on studies of shorebirds and other waterbirds that migrate along the East Atlantic Flyway. The emphasis is on those using the Dutch, German and Danish Wadden Sea, but examples from the rest of the world are also included.

**Jungle Comics #100** Fantagraphics Books

Aquaman's quest for the missing Mera continues! After returning from the Sorcerers empty-handed, Aquaman consults an undersea traveler about the strange five-sided ring he saw on the abductor's hand. The traveler's directions send Aquaman into the dark depths and toward a strange new threat!

Futuredays Librairie Droz

Nonfiction. "This is not just the biography of a talented jazz musician, but a fascinating chronicle of the trials, tribulations, and triumphs of a few committed individuals who tried to create beauty in a land of hostility and segregation. Chris McGregor understood that music is more than an organization of sound, it is a measure of human relationships, and can be used to inspire and exhilarate as well as heal. Maxine McGregor's vivid descriptions of their world, and the many passages in Chris's own words, give us insight into the mind of a man for whom music was as natural and necessary as the air we breathe"--Art Lange

(co-editor of *Moment's Notice: Jazz in Poetry and Prose*).

*Amazing World of Carmine Infantino* Indiana University Press  
Mitchell shows why we are so attached to the myth and the reality of the "terrible lizards."

*The Last Dinosaur Book* Cambridge University Press

In-depth case studies of representative languages from five generations of programming language design (Fortran, Algol-60, Pascal, Ada, LISP, Smalltalk, and Prolog) are used to illustrate larger themes."--BOOK JACKET.

**Chris McGregor and the Brotherhood of Breath** Pointe Claire, Que. : Quebec Family History Society

A "poignant" collection of real letters sent to Santa Claus—a town in Indiana—from the 1930s to the twenty-first century, from both children and adults (The New York Times). For countless Christmases, children—and sometimes adults—have stuffed their dreams, wishes, and promises into envelopes. Over many decades, millions of these letters have poured into Santa Claus, Indiana. Arriving from all corners of the globe, the letters ask for toys, family reunions, snow, and help for the needy—sometimes the needy being the writers themselves. They are candid, heartfelt, and often blunt. Many children wonder how Santa gets into their chimneyless homes. One child reminds Santa that she has not hit her brothers over 1,350 times that year, and another respectfully requests two million dollars in "cold cash." One child hopes to make his life better with a time machine, an adult woman asks for a man, and one miscreant actually threatens Santa's reindeer! Containing more than 250 actual letters and envelopes from the naughty and nice reaching back to the 1930s, this moving book will touch hearts and bring back memories of a

time in our lives when the man with a white beard and a red suit held out the hope that our wishes might come true. "Often very affecting . . . also offers an unusual window into American history." —Library Journal "The letters . . . are alternately silly and somber, hilarious and heartfelt." —The Weekly Standard  
*Medieval Illuminators and Their Methods of Work* Scribner Paper Fiction

Autobiographical illustrated monograph on Hall of Fame comicbook creator Carmine Infantino

*Principles of Programming Languages* Routledge

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**Pantagruel, King of the Dipsodes** Peter Lang

An intimate discussion of sex and philosophy

**Arturus Rex: Acta Conventus Iovaniensis 1987** Oxford University Press, USA

This book deals with the British deists' biblical hermeneutics, its

roots, and its effects on European culture and society. Deist thinkers such as John Toland, Anthony Collins and Matthew Tindal pointed out the historical and anthropological origins of positive religions. Focusing on the human roots of Judaism, Christianity, Islam and Ancient Paganism, they advocated tolerance and freedom of thought. In the context of the deists' research on the history of positive religions, the study of the Scriptures played a key role. Deists and freethinkers fought against the influence of Christian doctrine on political and social life. They denied the supernatural foundations of Christianity and of Christian institutions, and analyzed the Bible with the aim to promote the free search for truth. This book thus stresses the significance of the deists' biblical criticism for the development of Enlightenment views of religion and for the secularization of Europe.

*The Philosophy of the Church Fathers: Faith, Trinity, Incarnation*  
And/Over Press

Collects all fourteen installments of the classic horror comic series that follows Dr. Desmond Drew as he investigates the paranormal, including a case in which a voodoo doll is used to get revenge on an actress.

*Human Computation* Yale University Press

"In this new graphic novella, Will Eisner explores the hopes and dreams of a young man who desires to be a cartoonist. It takes place during the depressed economic time of the mid-1930s. As the young man nourishes his vision of the future, he discovers the newly created field of comic books. As he gains a foothold in the new industry, the young man learns and grows along with it. The people he meets, his success, his failures, his persistence of vision are all documented here. This is the story about

businessmen and artists, pragmatists and dreamers, by a man who was indeed there at the beginning of comic books, and is recognized worldwide today as a master of the medium."--Jacket.  
*The Royal Masonic Cyclopaedia of History, Rites, Symbolism, and Biography* Owl Books

Human computation is a new and evolving research area that centers around harnessing human intelligence to solve computational problems that are beyond the scope of existing Artificial Intelligence (AI) algorithms. With the growth of the Web, human computation systems can now leverage the abilities of an unprecedented number of people via the Web to perform complex computation. There are various genres of human computation applications that exist today. Games with a purpose (e.g., the ESP Game) specifically target online gamers who generate useful data (e.g., image tags) while playing an enjoyable game. Crowdsourcing marketplaces (e.g., Amazon Mechanical Turk) are human computation systems that coordinate workers to perform tasks in exchange for monetary rewards. In identity verification tasks, users perform computation in order to gain access to some online content; an example is reCAPTCHA, which leverages millions of users who solve CAPTCHAs every day to correct words in books that optical character recognition (OCR) programs fail to recognize with certainty. This book is aimed at achieving four goals: (1) defining human computation as a research area; (2) providing a comprehensive review of existing work; (3) drawing connections to a wide variety of disciplines, including AI, Machine Learning, HCI, Mechanism/Market Design and Psychology, and capturing their unique perspectives on the core research questions in

human computation; and (4) suggesting promising research directions for the future. Table of Contents: Introduction / Human Computation Algorithms / Aggregating Outputs / Task Routing / Understanding Workers and Requesters / The Art of Asking Questions / The Future of Human Computation

**The Dinosaur Filmography** BRILL

Illustrations created in France to celebrate the turn of the century, show scenes depicting the future of air travel, helicopters, undersea colonies, agriculture and the radio

**The New Comics Anthology** University of Chicago Press

Gathers selections from avant-garde graphic literature by more than seventy-five artists

*Voltaire's Old Testament Criticism* Vanguard

Concise description of classical statistics, from basic dice probabilities to modern regression analysis. Equal stress on theory and applications. Moderate difficulty; only basic calculus required. Includes problems with answers.

*Deuteronomio (Deuteronomy)* University of Illinois Press

Winsor McCay, the creator of Little Nemo in Slumberland, is internationally renowned as a pioneer in comics and animation. But author Ulrich Merkl's dedicated sleuthing has unearthed a never-published strip by McCay that was lost following the artist's untimely death. Titled simply *Dino*, it opens a surprising new window into McCay's life and work and showcases his exquisitely beautiful and delicate delineations (exactly reproduced from the original art). Merkl explores the influences McCay brought to the strip—including McCay's own *Gertie the Dinosaur* animated shorts, the animation in 1933's *King Kong*, and the growth of New York City from the Holland Tunnel to the Empire State Building—and traces our love of dinosaurs and monster movies down through the decades. Breathtakingly designed, each page of this deluxe oversize volume is overflowing with amazing imagery, with more than 650 photographs and illustrations (more than 250 in color) — most of them seen here for the first time in a century! An essential volume for everyone interested in the development of the comic strip — and our never-ending fascination with dinosaurs!