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 Mock Ritual in
 the Modern
 Era explores
 the complex
 interrelations
 between ritual
 and mockery,
 the latter of
 which is not
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 face of claims
 to rationality.
 McGinnis and
 Smyth
 consider how
 the mocking
 and parodying
 of ritual often
 associated
 with modern

rationalism
 may itself
 become
 ritualized, and
 other ways in
 which
 supposedly
 sham ritual
 may survive
 its "outing."
 This volume
 traces the
 evolution of
 "mock ritual"
 in various
 forms
 throughout
 the modern
 era, as found
 in literary,
 historical, and
 anthropologic
 al texts as
 well as
 encyclopedias,
 newspapers,
 and films.
 Mock Ritual in
 the Modern
 Era places
 famous
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and
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 authors in
 dialogue with
 contemporary
 popular
 culture, from
 Diderot,
 Sterne, and
 Flaubert to the
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 Survivor and
 Judge Judy,
 and from
 Voltaire to the
 Charlie Hebdo
 tragedy of
 2015.
 Ritualistic and
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 aspects of
 comedy and
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 considered
 along with
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 notably, of
 sexuality,
 medicine, art,
 education,

and justice.
The Publishers' Trade List Annual
Cosimo, Inc.
The beginner's guide to mental magic
No rabbits. No wands. Just dozens of first-rate effects, illusions, and tricks guaranteed to amaze. Mind Magic & Mentalism For Dummies pulls back the curtain and introduces the secret world of mentalism for the first time. With this book and the included DVD, budding practitioners

have everything they need to master some of the most astounding illusions imaginable from exercising psychic powers and reading minds to harnessing mental energy to control fire and bend metal from across the stage. Each effect in the book is presented from three perspectives: what the audience sees, how the trick is performed, and how to present it in a

way that thrills spectators, making it the comprehensive, essential guide to blowing your audience away. The DVD includes performances of many of the effects outlined in the book to help readers put the information into action. Provides both introductory-level lessons on the art of performing and a host of great effects that will meet the needs of beginners. Mind Magic & Mentalism For

Dummies is the essential introduction to this mysterious art that can seemingly provide readers with the powers of clairvoyance, mind control, divination, and precognition. Note - CD-ROM/DVD and other supplementary materials are not included as part of the e-book file, but are available for download after purchase. America Penn State Press The most complete

treatise on sleight-of-hand coin conjuring, including best traditional methods and modern innovations. Guides you systematically from basic techniques, through integrated tricks to complete acts, 18 in all. 510 clear illustrations. A Place of Darkness Oxford University Press This book that takes the reader from knowing zero to being able to do a whole

show for their family and friends. Along the way they will learn some cool tricks to show their friends in school, find out how to do a PR stunt, film their own tricks, develop their unique magician persona, and all the other secrets to making magic amazing. The reader will be offered an array of trick options, from openers to finales, from which to build their own tailored show, depending on their favourite style of magic

and stage of learning. *Modernism, Postcolonialism, and Globalism* Sterling Publishing Company, Inc. This innovative history of popular magical mentalities in nineteenth-century England explores the dynamic ways in which the magical imagination helped people to adjust to urban life. Previous studies of modern popular magical practices and

supernatural beliefs have largely neglected the urban experience. Karl Bell, however, shows that the magical imagination was a key cultural resource which granted an empowering sense of plebeian agency in the nineteenth-century urban environment. Rather than portraying magical beliefs and practices as a mere enclave of anachronistic 'tradition' and

the fantastical as simply an escapist refuge from the real, he reveals magic's adaptive and transformative qualities and the ways in which it helped ordinary people navigate, adapt to and resist aspects of modern urbanization. Drawing on perspectives from cultural anthropology, sociology, folklore and urban studies, this is a major contribution to our understanding of modern

popular magic and the lived experience of modernization and urbanization.

The Art of Magic

Bloomsbury Publishing USA

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Subjects in Early Modern English Drama investigates the ways in which work became a subject of inquiry on the early modern stage and the processes by which the drama began to forge new connections between labor and subjectivity in the period.

The essays assembled here address fascinating and hitherto unexplored questions raised by the subject of labor as it was taken up in the drama of the period: How were laboring bodies and the goods they produced, marketed and consumed represented onstage through speech, action, gesture, costumes and properties? How did plays participate in shaping the

identities that situated laboring subjects within the social hierarchy? In what ways did the drama engage with contemporary discourses (social, political, economic, religious, etc.) that defined the cultural meanings of work? How did players and playwrights define their own status with respect to the shifting boundaries between high status/low status, legitimate/illgitimate,

profitable/unprofitable, skilled/unskilled, formal/informal, male/female, free/bound, paid/unpaid forms of work? Merchants, usurers, clothworkers, cooks, confectioners, shopkeepers, shoemakers, sheepshearers, shipbuilders, sailors, perfumers, players, magicians, servants and slaves are among the many workers examined in this collection. Offering compelling new readings

of both canonical and lesser-known plays in a broad range of genres (including history plays, comedies, tragedies, tragi-comedies, travel plays and civic pageants), this collection considers how early modern drama actively participated in a burgeoning, proto-capitalist economy by staging England's newly diverse workforce and exploring the subject of work itself.

Walter B. Gibson and The Shadow
Lybrary.com
I bought my first Svengali Deck when I was 8 years old. I am now 45 years old and I'm still playing with them. The Svengali Deck is a beautiful piece of magical design, allowing the performer to create incredible magic through very simple mechanics. In this book I have compiled the best advice in setting up, using and handling the

Svengali Deck. I share routines that I have used when selling the Svengali Decks at markets and festivals and offer valuable insights in presenting the magic in a way the audience will love. The Svengali Deck may often be marketed as a magic trick for children, but with a bit of magical thinking we can transform it into an essential tool for any magician. The book begins with basic handling techniques and ends with an effect that fills a room. The book transcends the limitations of Svengali and raises the bar, explaining routines that can seem to be nothing short of miracles. *Publishers Weekly* Courier Magic, Simon During suggests, has helped shape modern culture. Devoted to this deceptively simple proposition, During's superlative work, written over the course of a decade, gets at the aesthetic questions at the very heart of the study of culture. How can the most ordinary arts--and by "magic," During means not the supernatural, but the special effects and conjurings of magic shows--affect people? *Modern Enchantments* takes us deeply into the history and workings of modern secular magic, from the

legerdemain of Isaac Fawkes in 1720, to the return of real magic in nineteenth-century spiritualism, to the role of magic in the emergence of the cinema. Through the course of this history, During shows how magic performances have drawn together heterogeneous audiences, contributed to the molding of cultural hierarchies, and extended cultural technologies and media at key moments,

sometimes introducing spectators into rationality and helping to disseminate skepticism and publicize scientific innovation. In a more revealing argument still, Modern Enchantments shows that magic entertainment s have increased the sway of fictions in our culture and helped define modern society's image of itself. *Magazine of Magic* Harvard University Press

Master the art of illusion with this collection of 183 easy-to-learn card tricks, accompanied by 197 illustrations. Drawn from two popular books by the bestselling magician, it's perfect for amateurs — and professionals who want to increase their repertoire. Mystify friends with everything from shuffle setups to card telepathy, using coins, telephones, and other props. *A History of*

Modern Philosophy Rutgers University Press “Who knows what evil lurks in the hearts of men? . . . The Shadow knows!” And who knew The Shadow better than his creator, Walter B. Gibson. Relatively few people have heard of Gibson, but many more are familiar with The Shadow having heard the program on the Blue Coal Radio Program in the 1930s and read the Street & Smith Shadow novels. Walter B. Gibson’s life and career come out from behind The Shadow in this biography. It covers his youth in Philadelphia, his development as a writer and magician, his wives, including the third, (Litzka, who was a harpist and magician in her own right), his time living in Maine and upstate New York, and his later years and death. In addition to being credited with creating The Shadow (he used the pseudonym Maxwell Grant), Gibson wrote 187 books, contributed 668 articles to periodicals, created 283 stories for The Shadow Magazine, wrote 48 separate syndicated feature columns, reported the adventures of The Shadow and Blackstone the magician in 394 comic books and newspaper strips, and helped develop 147 radio scripts

and many other works under numerous pseudonyms. Gibson has invented many widely used magic tricks and traveled with and befriended Harry Houdini, Howard Thurston, Harry Blackstone, Sr., and Joseph Dunninger.

Mock Ritual in the Modern Era
Oxford University Press
Performing Magic on the Western Stage examines magic as a

performing art and as a meaningful social practice, linking magic to cultural arenas such as religion, finance, gender, and nationality and profiling magicians from Robert-Houdin to Pen& Teller.

Foolproof Card Tricks for the Amateur Magician
Read Books Ltd
A charming glimpse of stage magic in the early twentieth century, this engaging manual's

time-honored tricks range from sleight of hand with coins, cards, and rope to thought-reading and juggling. Written by a famous magician, its tried-and-true feats and performance tips are illustrated by sixty figures and thirteen vintage photographs. A British stage magician of the 1930s and '40s, Jasper Maskelyne was a third-generation performer in a well-known family of illusionists.

During World War II, Maskelyne assembled a squad known as the “Magic Gang” to misdirect Axis bombers and camouflage the activities of the Allied forces with illusions of tanks, battleships, and armies. This new edition of his captivating classic features an introduction by magic historian and author Edwin A. Dawes that recounts Maskelyne's larger-than-life career and exploits.

Self-Working Card Tricks

McFarland In Supernatural Entertainment's, Simone Natale vividly depicts spiritualism's rise as a religious and cultural phenomenon and explores its strong connection to the growth of the media entertainment industry in the nineteenth century. He frames the spiritualist movement as part of a new commodity culture that changed how public entertainment

s were produced and consumed. Starting with the story of the Fox sisters, considered the first spiritualist mediums in history, Natale follows the trajectory of spiritualism in Great Britain and the United States from its foundation in 1848 to the beginning of the twentieth century. He demonstrates that spiritualist mediums and leaders adopted many of the promotional strategies and

spectacular techniques that were being developed for the broader entertainment industry. Spiritualist mediums were indistinguishable from other professional performers, as they had managers and agents, advertised in the press, and used spectacularism to draw audiences. Addressing the overlap between spiritualism's explosion and nineteenth-century show business, Natale

provides an archaeology of how the supernatural became a powerful force in the media and popular culture of today. *The Publishers Weekly* Courier Corporation Horror is one of the most enduringly popular genres in cinema. The term "horror film" was coined in 1931 between the premiere of *Dracula* and the release of *Frankenstein*, but monsters, ghosts, demons, and supernatural

and horrific themes have been popular with American audiences since the emergence of novelty kinematographic attractions in the late 1890s. *A Place of Darkness* illuminates the prehistory of the horror genre by tracing the way horrific elements and stories were portrayed in films prior to the introduction of the term "horror film." Using a rhetorical approach that examines not only early

films but also the promotional materials for them and critical responses to them, Kendall R. Phillips argues that the portrayal of horrific elements was enmeshed in broader social tensions around the emergence of American identity and, in turn, American cinema. He shows how early cinema linked monsters, ghosts, witches, and magicians with Old World superstitions

and beliefs, in contrast to an American way of thinking that was pragmatic, reasonable, scientific, and progressive. Throughout the teens and twenties, Phillips finds, supernatural elements were almost always explained away as some hysterical mistake, humorous prank, or nefarious plot. The Great Depression of the 1930s, however, constituted a substantial upheaval in the system of American

certainty and opened a space for the reemergence of Old World gothic within American popular discourse in the form of the horror genre, which has terrified and thrilled fans ever since. *Mind Magic and Mentalism For Dummies* Springer
As England withdrew from its empire after World War II, how did writers living outside the United Kingdom respond to the history of colonialism

and the aesthetics of modernism within a global context? In fourteen original essays, edited by Richard Begam and Michael Valdez Moses, a distinguished group of scholars considers these questions in relation to novelists, playwrights, and poets living in English-speaking countries around the world. Modernism, Postcolonialism, and

Globalism not only examines how modernism and postcolonialism evolved over several generations, but also situates the writers analyzed in terms of canonical realignments inspired by the New Modernist Studies and an array of emerging methodologies and approaches. While this volume highlights social and political questions connected

with the end of empire, it also considers the aesthetics of postcolonialism, detailing how writers drew upon, responded to and, sometimes reacted against, the formal innovations of modernism. Many of the essays consider the influence modernist artists and movements exercised on postcolonial writers, from W. B. Yeats, Joseph Conrad, Franz Kafka, Marcel Proust, James

<p>Joyce, T. S. Eliot, and Virginia Woolf to Impressionism , Expressionism , Surrealism, and Abstractionis m. Modernism, Postcolonialis m, and Globalism is organized around six geographic locales and includes essays on Africa (Chinua Achebe, Ngugi wa Thiong'o, Nadine Gordimer, J. M. Coetzee), Asia (Salman Rushdie, Arundhati Roy), the Caribbean</p>	<p>(Jean Rhys, Derek Walcott, V. S. Naipaul), Ireland (Samuel Beckett, Seamus Heaney), Australia/New Zealand (David Malouf, Keri Hulme) and Canada (Michael Ondaatje). Examining how Anglophone writers engaged with the literary, intellectual, and cultural heritage of modernism, this volume offers a vital and distinctive intervention in ongoing discussions of</p>	<p>modern and contemporary literature. Illustrated Catalogue of Books, Standard and Holiday Simon and Schuster In her study of music-making in the Edwardian novel, Cecilia Björkén- Nyberg argues that the invention and development of the player piano had a significant effect on the perception, performance and appreciation of music during the period. In contrast to</p>
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existing devices for producing music mechanically such as the phonograph and gramophone, the player piano granted its operator freedom of individual expression by permitting the performer to modify the tempo. Because the traditional piano was the undisputed altar of domestic and highly gendered music-making, Björkén-Nyberg suggests, the potential for

intervention by the mechanical piano's operator had a subversive effect on traditional notions about the status of the musical work itself and about the people who were variously defined by their relationship to it. She examines works by Dorothy Richardson, E.M. Forster, Henry Handel Richardson, Max Beerbohm and Compton Mackenzie, among others, contending

that Edwardian fiction with music as a subject undermined the prevalent antithesis, expressed in contemporary music literature, between a nineteenth-century conception of music as a means of transcendence and the increasing mechanisation of music as represented by the player piano. Her timely survey of the player piano in the context of Edwardian commercial

and technical discourse draws on a rich array of archival materials to shed new light on the historically conditioned activity of music-making in early twentieth-century fiction.

Modern Magic

Manual John Wiley & Sons
The convergence of film and television and the tension between the unmediated 'reality' of the moving image and the enchantment and illusion

offered by magic suggests new ways of thinking about the interstices between film and television.

The Player Piano and the Edwardian Novel

University of Texas Press
Mathematical dupes, sleights of hand, shady shuffles, and impossible predictions: these are just a few of the 80 ways to use a pack of cards to dazzle and baffle everyone.
Something Occurred

Routledge
What does it mean to describe cinematic effects as "movie magic," to compare filmmakers to magicians, or to say that the cinema is all a "trick"? The heyday of stage illusionism was over a century ago, so why do such performances still serve as a key reference point for understanding filmmaking, especially now that so much of the cinema rests on the use of

computers? To answer these questions, Colin Williamson situates film within a long tradition of magical practices that combine art and science, involve deception and discovery, and evoke two forms of wonder—both awe at the illusion displayed and curiosity about how it was performed. He thus considers how, even as they mystify audiences, cinematic illusions also inspire them

to learn more about the technologies and techniques behind moving images. Tracing the overlaps between the worlds of magic and filmmaking, *Hidden in Plain Sight* examines how professional illusionists and their tricks have been represented onscreen, while also considering stage magicians who have stepped behind the camera, from Georges

Méliès to Ricky Jay. Williamson offers an insightful, wide-ranging investigation of how the cinema has functioned as a “device of wonder” for more than a century, while also exploring how several key filmmakers, from Orson Welles to Christopher Nolan and Martin Scorsese, employ the rhetoric of magic. Examining pre-cinematic visual culture, animation, nonfiction

film, and the digital trickery of today's CGI spectacles, Hidden in Plain Sight provides an eye-opening look at the

powerful ways that magic has shaped our modes of perception and our experiences of the cinema.

Modern Magicians' Hand Book
David McKay Company
"The Jesuit review of faith and culture,"
Nov. 13, 2017-