

LOUIS GRAVERAET KAUFMAN

The Fabulous Michigan Gatsby
Who Conquered Wall Street,
Took Over General Motors, and
Built the World's Tallest Building
Ann Berman

Discover the extraordinary rise of the glamorous, competitive, and clever American banking titan.

This fascinating biography recounts the life and legacy of a titan of American banking, Louis Graveraet Kaufman (1870–1942). Also known as LG, he was a Gatsbyesque figure born in Michigan's Upper Peninsula

who married into great wealth and then amassed far more of his own. Under LG, New York's Chatham Phenix National Bank and Trust Company became one of the nation's largest banks and the first in New York to boast a network of branches. When he was denied entry into the exclusive, Protestant, old-money Huron Mountain Club, LG responded by building his own retreat: the world's largest log lodge, a 26,000-square-foot behemoth near Marquette, Michigan. Christened Granot Loma, it became the site of lavish Prohibition-era parties, attracting many celebrities who came in private rail cars to enjoy jazz and liquor chez Kaufman. A darling of the press, LG became a household name, making news by coordinating the famous takeover of General Motors in 1916, narrowly escaping death in the Wall Street Bombing of 1920, and financing the Empire State Building during the Great Depression. Author Ann Berman highlights Kaufman's remarkable journey from "barefoot boy" to trailblazing branch banking giant, proving LG was not just a man of his time but one worth reading about over a century later.



Ann Berman is a writer and cultural journalist who has contributed to the *Wall Street Journal, Town & Country, Architectural Digest, Forbes, Martha Stewart Living*, and many other publications.

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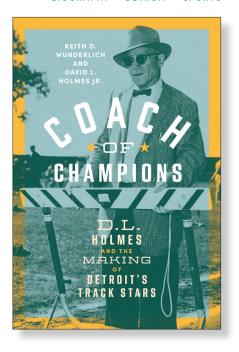
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COACH OF CHAMPIONS

D.L. Holmes and the Making of Detroit's Track Stars KEITH D. WUNDERLICH AND DAVID L. HOLMES JR.

An advocate of diversity, initiator of self-confidence, and driving force behind winners.

In an era rife with racism and antisemitism. Wayne State University athletic director and track coach D.L. Holmes emerged as a first-rate coach and mentor dedicated to supporting athletes of all races. Throughout his forty-one years at the public university in Detroit (1917-58), he welcomed



thousands of athletes—Black, Jewish, Eastern European, and others—coaching many to become Olympians, world record holders, and national and AAU champions. D.L.'s character, beliefs, and attention to detail allowed members of his teams to achieve more than they ever imagined, despite the challenges of outdated training equipment and the prejudice they faced. This uplifting account captures D.L.'s uncanny ability to discover and nurture hidden talent and the motivation he inspired in scores of athletes, including several inductees of Wayne State's Hall of Fame like Tom Adams and Leroy Dues. Author Keith D. Wunderlich weaves team member interviews together with historically informed narratives of Coach Holmes and his runners. Through these stories of athletic greatness and resilience learned through defeat, D.L.'s legacy reveals the enduring power of believing in others.

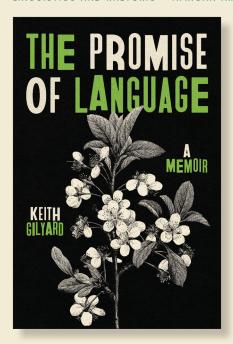
Keith D. Wunderlich is the grandson of Coach D.L. Holmes and was himself a sprinter in high school. He is the author of Vernor's Ginger Ale and is a retired public-school administrator. He earned his doctorate at Wayne State University. David L. Holmes Jr. (1932-2023) is the son of

Coach D.L. Holmes. He retired as professor emeritus from the College of William and Mary and authored A Brief History of the Episcopal Church. He earned his doctorate at Princeton University.

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THE PROMISE OF LANGUAGE

A Memoir
Keith Gilyard

Recounting a life—and language
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In this powerful coming-of-age memoir, author, scholar, and linguist Keith Gilyard presents a testament to the transformative power of language. From his earliest days in the segregated New York City public schools of the 1950s and '60s through his ascent in academia, the rhythm of Black America's vernacular and music provides the backdrop to Gilyard's intellectual awak-

ening. He absorbed language through music, television, and radio, recognizing early on that his mother was a "language chameleon," a woman from Georgia who never sounded Black southern. His journey intertwines personal growth with the multiplicity of language and the sociopolitical upheavals of the Cold War era and the Civil Rights, Black Power, and Black Arts movements. Through vibrant anecdotes and introspection, Gilyard brings his experiences and realizations to life from memories of barbershops, churches, and schools, to lessons from mentors and influencers like Ed Bullins, Sonia Sanchez, Don L. Lee (later Haki Madhubuti), Toni Morrison, and Paule Marshall. Each encounter brings clarity and a new lens through which to understand the world, revealing how language shapes our lives and how our lives shape language.

Keith Gilyard is the Edwin Erle Sparks Professor of English and African American Studies at the Pennsylvania State University and a former president of the National Council of Teachers of English. He has published widely on topics of language and rhetoric, including *Voices of the Self* (Wayne State University Press). He is the recipient of two American Book Awards and the Penn State Faculty Scholar Medal for Outstanding Achievement in the Arts and Humanities.

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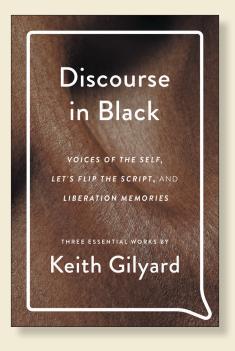
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DISCOURSE IN BLACK

Voices of the Self, Let's Flip the Script, and Liberation Memories THREE ESSENTIAL WORKS BY KEITH GILYARD

> Three groundbreaking texts on Black rhetoric by a renowned and award-winning scholar.

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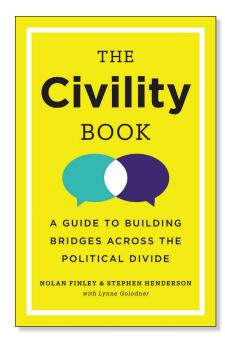


Vernacular English (AAVE) on education, advocating for linguistic pluralism. Let's Flip the Script continues this dialogue with a series of provocative essays on language politics, education, and the dynamics of varied teaching methodologies. Gilyard's insights into the treatment and history of AAVE and his reflections on language as a transformative tool in life and literature are especially timely in today's diverse educational landscape. In Liberation Memories, he shifts focus to the intersection of rhetoric and poetics in African American literature, highlighting the works of John Oliver Killens and their relevance to contemporary discussions on cultural expression and social justice. Through all three of the essential works in this compendium, Gilyard has nourished American literary and rhetorical discourse with a reframing of topics and conversations spanning language, culture, and educational praxis.

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A Guide to Building Bridges across the Political Divide NOLAN FINLEY AND STEPHEN HENDERSON WITH LYNNE GOLODNER

A guide to maintaining respectful relationships across America's political, cultural, and racial divides.

Once pitted as adversarial counterparts as the opinion editors of Detroit's most prominent right- and left-leaning newspapers, veteran journalists Nolan Finley and Stephen Henderson come together, with friend and colleague Lynne Golodner, in this timely and groundbreaking work to champion a novel

approach to political discourse. The Civility Book furthers their mission to demonstrate that civil conversation is possible, even across colossal ideological divides, and to teach Americans how it can be done. Offering practical tools and strategies for fostering civility in everyday interactions and an extensive appendix of resources outlining ongoing efforts to advance tolerance and productive dialogue, the authors explain what civility is, why it matters, and how individuals can use it to overcome the antagonistic rhetoric that threatens our society today, one conversation at a time.







Nolan Finley the editorial page editor at the Detroit News and a Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame inductee. Finley cohosts One Detroit on Detroit Public Television.

Stephen Henderson is an American journalist,

winner of the 2014 Pulitzer Prize for Commentary, and recipient of the 2014 National Association of Black Journalists Journalist of the Year Award. He is the host of Detroit Today on WDET, founder and executive editor of BridgeDetroit, and cohost of One Detroit and host of American Black Journal on Detroit Public Television.

Lynne Golodner is a native of Detroit and an award-winning author, marketing entrepreneur, and writing coach. She is executive director of the Civility Project.

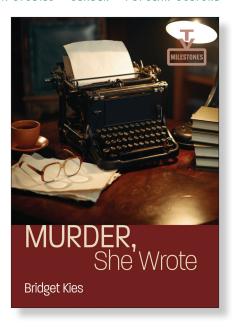
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Embark on a journey through the mysteries of Cabot Cove to learn why Murder, She Wrote is a timeless classic.

Discover the secrets behind the enduring appeal of Murder, She Wrote (CBS, 1984-96) in this captivating investigation of the long-running mystery series. Author Bridget Kies details the show's lasting impact owing to several interconnecting factors tied to the series' genre, cast, and reception. Murder, She Wrote was a trailblazing "cozy" murder mystery, blending suspense

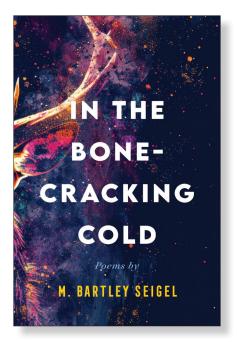


and charm to captivate a wide and varied audience. Bolstered by Angela Lansbury's established star power, the iconic amateur sleuth Jessica Fletcher is beloved by fans across generations and around the world. Kies also points to the series' extratextual tie-in novels, made-for-TV movies, licensed products, and crossovers and attempted spinoffs that helped create a franchise universe that lives on today. With insights into the show's twelve remarkable seasons, its rise to global fame, and data from fandom interviews, this book is a must-read for fans and newcomers alike.

Bridget Kies is associate professor of film studies and production at Oakland University in Michigan. She is the coeditor, with Megan Connor, of Fandom, the Next Generation. Her research has been published in Television and New Media, VIEW Journal of European Television History and Culture, Feminist Media Histories, and more. She has served on the editorial board of Popular Culture Review since 2023.



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IN THE BONE-**CRACKING COLD**

POEMS BY M. BARTLEY SEIGEL

Artfully wrought poems tracing the intimate contours of self, nature, and history.

Immersed in the rugged beauty and complex history of Michigan's Upper Peninsula, M. Bartley Seigel steers his second poetry collection through the terrain of the tangible and the mythical to capture the essence of the region's mining towns and dense forests and the vastness of Lake Superior. Through a cumulation of sonnets, prose poems, and open forms, In the Bone-Cracking Cold unfolds across a year,

beginning and ending in winter. Seigel carefully weaves and unravels the complexities of love and loss, the legacy of colonialism, and the deep bond between nature, people, and place. Poems like "Beach Glass" highlight Seigel's lyricism, while his series of sonnets and a variety of open forms reveal joyfully flexible innovation. With a voice that is both striking and unpretentious, Seigel's poems remain hopeful regardless of uncertainty and curious despite the threat of apathy, inviting readers to connect with a landscape as iconic as it is misunderstood.



M. Bartley Seigel is a former poet laureate of Michigan's Upper Peninsula and an Academy of American Poets Laureate Fellow. His poetry frequently appears in literary journals such as Poetry, Michigan Quarterly Review, About Place, The Fourth River, and THRUSH. He lives with his family on the Keweenaw Peninsula, Oiibwe homelands and Treaty of 1842 territory, where he teaches at Michigan Technological University.

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SPIROGRAPHY

A Memoir of Family, Loss, and Finding Home CARA STODDARD

A story of kinship, queerness, and the secrets of the body in the wake of illness and loss.

Spirography is a coming-of-age memoir about the bond between a father and daughter, their intertwined illnesses, and the enduring love that persists even after death. This memoir follows author Cara Stoddard's intersecting experiences of cancer, grief, and sexuality, rooted in the suburban Midwest of the late twentieth century—where idyllic lake life, water sports, NASCAR,



Christian rock, and a willful ignorance around queerness define the landscape. Set in the author's childhood home on a lake in Michigan, this lyrical archive of a family navigating crisis is an elegy not only for the memory of her father but also the end of her childhood spent outdoors. Stoddard takes the reader intimately through the checkpoints of her coming-of-age story—including working at a summer camp, moving to Colorado, falling in love, coming out—each leg of the journey backdropped by her father's declining health and the author's own incremental acceptance of this impending loss. Writing from ten years after her father's death, she traces her experiences of becoming a stepparent, carrying on her dad's legacy, and, in unimaginable ways, bringing him back to life.

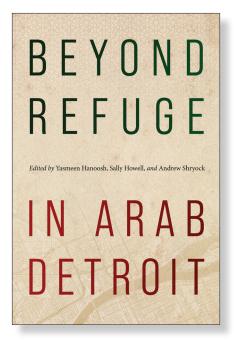
Cara Stoddard is a creative nonfiction writer and poet who grew up on a lake in Michigan. Their poems and essays have appeared in Fourth Genre, The Gettysburg Review, Terrain.org, and Ninth Letter. Currently, they live in Seattle with their stepdaughter.



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BEYOND REFUGE IN ARAB DETROIT

EDITED BY YASMEEN HANOOSH, SALLY HOWELL, AND ANDREW SHRYOCK

Detroit's Arab and Chaldean communities in the balance between cultural vitality and precarity.

Detroit's Arab and Chaldean communities are now over a century old. Their neighborhoods, businesses, and cultural influence continue to grow. Whether Muslim or Christian, Yemeni, Iraqi, Palestinian, or Lebanese, these Detroiters are building new lives and worlds in distinctive spaces

that are not simply immigrant or refugee, religious or ethnoracial. In Beyond Refuge in Arab Detroit, nineteen contributors consider how these worlds are connected to other times and places, what new identities are emerging in them, and how they are changing the political, economic, and demographic profile of the city. The contributors warn that, despite its deep local roots, Arab Detroit is at risk. They investigate racism and Islamophobia, threats to civil liberties, tense interactions between newcomers and the well established, and the community's struggle for change on its own terms. *A complimentary reader's quide is available.*

Yasmeen Hanoosh is a fiction writer, literary translator, and professor of Arabic at Portland State University. Sally Howell is professor of history at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. Andrew Shryock is the Arthur F. Thurnau Professor of Anthropology at the University of Michigan.





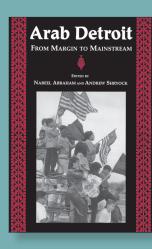


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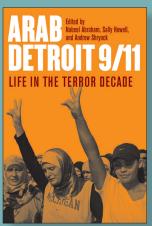
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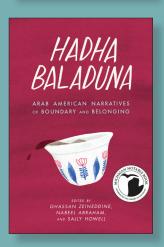
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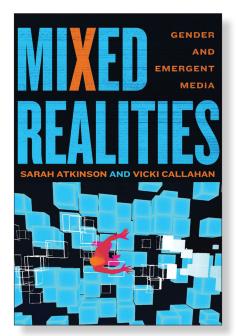
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Bolstered by the voices and experiences of dozens of women, nonbinary, and genderqueer new media practitioners, Mixed Realities explores the dynamic intersection of gender and emerging digital technologies. From realms of transmedia, multiplatform, virtual reality, augmented reality, and immersive technologies, this work uncov-

ers the universal challenges and systemic gender-based exclusions individuals face. Authors Sarah Atkinson and Vicki Callahan explore how emergent media have inherited traditional media's systemic biases but also offer new opportunities for diverse and equitable storytelling and engagement. Highlighting a surge in gender-diverse participation and innovation, this book counters historical accounts and details essential yet overlooked contributions to the field. Mixed Realities serves as an early archive of diverse contributions, with firsthand accounts that challenge the existing biased narratives of media's history and evolution. Atkinson and Callahan emphasize the necessity of including underrepresented voices, stories, models, and futures, and they underscore the importance of recognizing and valuing a spectrum of perspectives in both emergent media and established media contexts.





Sarah Atkinson is professor of screen media at King's College London. She has published widely on the film, cinema, and screen industries. Vicki Callahan is professor of cinematic arts at the University of Southern California and the author of several publications on the topics of media and gender studies.

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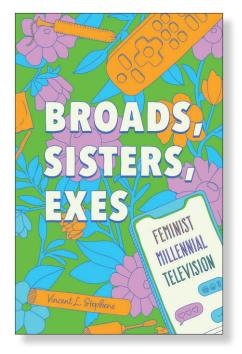
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BROADS, SISTERS, EXES

Feminist Millennial Television VINCENT L. STEPHENS

How a new generation of women-centered dramedies has revolutionized contemporary television.

This timely and telling analysis identifies the formal and thematic innovations pioneered by millennial feminists between 2012 and 2020 that have shaped the trajectory of our favorite shows today. Author Vincent L. Stephens offers close readings of nine pivotal series, including Girls, Orange Is the New Black, Broad City, Jane the Virgin, Crazy Ex-Girlfriend, Fleabag, Insecure, Shrill, and



I May Destroy You. Across these series, women-led creative teams translated techniques from indie films, inverted gendered television tropes, and engaged in innovative temporal storytelling. These series, often including showrunners who also act, write, and direct, are the product of a new ecology of television driven by the rise of streaming platforms and a demand for more inclusive narratives. Broads, Sisters, Exes optimistically contends with women as aesthetic innovators and maps their influence on entertainment industry reforms that are slowly but surely increasing accessibility for creatives from groups historically underrepresented across media. Through elegant prose deeply rooted in an intersectional feminist perspective, Stephens expands the aesthetic and narrative grammars of contemporary television.

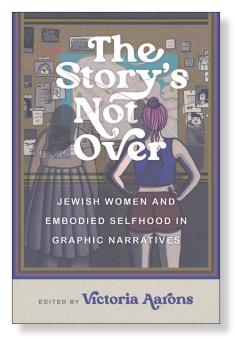
Vincent L. Stephens is the associate dean for diversity and inclusion in the College of Arts and Sciences at Boston University and a lecturer in the Department of Music. He is the author of Rocking the Closet: How Little Richard, Johnnie Ray, Liberace, and Johnny Mathis Queered Pop Music and has previously published works in multiple fields including popular music studies, television studies, queer studies, and African American studies.



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This comprehensive collection considers Jewish women graphic novelists and the richly figured ways in which Jewish identity is complicated by gender, memory, generation, and place: the spaces—emotional, geographical, psychological—that women inhabit. Through the intersections and juxtapositions of word and image, authors capture the complexities and anxieties of gender and Jewishness in navigating

memory, identity, and embodied self-expression. Jewish women graphic novelists are preoccupied often with embodied memory, memories of loss, memories of personal and collective histories, and memories of transformative moments of self-reinvention. Here, memory materializes in the drawn shape of the body as an expression of the weight of personal and collective histories. The diverse forms and structures of graphic narratives discussed in this volume by a range of international scholars demonstrate the ways in which Jewish women's graphic narratives reach into the past by way of stories and histories, both individual and collective, that provide a touchstone for the shape of identity.



Victoria Aarons is O. R. and Eva Mitchell Distinguished Professor of Literature at Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas. She is the author or editor of twelve books, including Memory Spaces: Visualizing Identity in Jewish Women's Graphic Narratives (Wayne State University Press).

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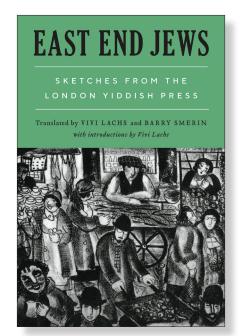
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INTRODUCTIONS BY VIVI LACHS

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Dr. Vivi Lachs is a social and cultural historian and a Yiddish performer and translator. Her books include Whitechapel Noise and London Yiddishtown (both Wayne State University Press). This volume is the result of a research fellowship at Queen Mary University of London on the project Making and Remaking the Jewish East End. Lachs records with the band Klezmer Klub, leads tours of the Jewish East End, and runs London's Great Yiddish Parade.



Barry Smerin holds a first-class degree in Hebrew Literature and Jewsh History from University College London. He is a translator of historiography and original historical source documents from Yiddish, Polish, German, and French, and has taught Yiddish language and literature at universities in Poland, France, and England for over thirty years.

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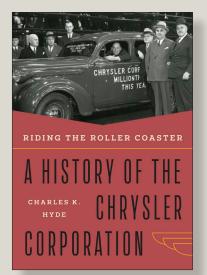
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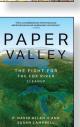
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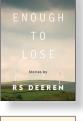
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