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50 Museums to Blow Your Mind Ben Handicott 2016-06-01 Thank the stars for the world's eccentric collectors; hoarders of objects beautiful, strange or downright odd. It is these documentors of the great and trivial - who want to show us all something wonderful about their collections and share the insights into humankind each of them illuminates - who have created the most fascinating, wonderful and precious museums the planet has to offer. Boggle at the enormity of space, get nostalgic at childhood memories or be dumbstruck by the International Museum of Toilets... Whether you're a history buff, tech-head or have an inexplicable fascination with clowns, you'll find world-class collections here to pique your interest. Never drag your heels around a dull museum again! Then & now // History museums Acropolis Museum // Greece British Museum // UK Forbidden City // China Goethe House & Goethe Museum // Germany Imperial War Museum // UK Museum of Alchemists & Magicians of Old Prague // Czech Republic Museum of Mummies of Guanajuato // Mexico National Museum of Anthropology // Mexico Old Operating Theatre Museum & Herb Garret // UK Prison Gate Museum // The Netherlands Sir John Soane's Museum // UK Styrian Armoury // Austria Torture Museum // The Netherlands Vasa Museum // Sweden Viking Ship Museum // Norway Whitney Plantation // USA The world around us // Natural history museums Kunstkamera // Russia 6 Messner Mountain Museum // Italy Sarawak State Museum // Malaysia Smithsonian Institution // USA Human creativity // Art & culture museums American Classic Arcade Museum // USA Belgian Brewers Museum // Belgium Burlesque Hall of Fame // USA Coffee Museum // Brazil Erawan Museum // Thailand Ghibli Museum // Japan Grammy Museum // USA The Green Vault // Germany Museum of Childhood // UK Musical Instruments Museum // USA Soumaya Museum // Mexico Vodka Museum // Russia Things that go // Science & technology museums Bicycle Museum of America // USA Big Hole & Open Mine Museum // South Africa Exploratorium // USA National Maritime Museum // France National Rail Museum // UK New Mexico Museum of Space History // USA New York City Fire Museum // USA Pencil Museum // UK Porsche Museum // Germany Sewer Museum // France Sulabh International Museum of Toilets // India Peculiar passions // Quirky museums Avanos Hair Museum // Turkey Clown Hall of Fame & Research Centre // USA Cupnoodles Museum // Japan Gopher Hole Museum // Canada International Cryptozoology Museum // USA Museum of Broken Relationships // Croatia

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## **Committee on Tidal Hydraulics Report 1950**

## **The transactions of the Linnean Society of London** Linnean Society (London) 1855

## **Transactions** Linnean Society of London 1855

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**Angela Carter: New Critical Readings** Sonya Andermahr 2012-08-09 Bringing together leading international scholars of contemporary fiction and modern women writers, this book provides authoritative new critical readings of Angela Carter's work from a variety of innovative theoretical and disciplinary approaches. Angela Carter: New Critical Readings both evaluates Carter's legacy as feminist provocateur and postmodern stylist, and broaches new ground in considering Carter as, variously, a poet and a 'naturalist'. Including coverage of Carter's earliest writings and her journalism as well as her more widely studied novels, short stories and dramatic works, the book covers such topics as rescripting the canon, surrealism, and Carter's poetics.

**Twilight of Empire** Greg King 2017-11-14 From the authors of The Assassination of the Archduke comes a book about a shocking murder-suicide that ushered in the end of the Habsburg monarchy that had dominated Europe for centuries.

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**Adventures in Order and Chaos** George Contopoulos 2007-09-21 For many years I was organizing a weekly seminar on dynamical astronomy, and I used to make some historical remarks on every subject, including some anecdotes from my contacts with many leading scientists over the years. I described also the development of various subjects and the emergence of new ideas in dynamical astronomy. Then several people prompted me to write down these remarks, which cannot be found in papers, or books. Thus, I decided to write this book, which contains my experiences over the years. I hope that this book may be helpful to astronomy students all over the world. During my many years of teaching, as a visiting professor, in American Universities (1962-1994, Yale, Harvard, MIT, Cornell, Chicago, Maryland and Florida) I was impressed by the quality of my graduate students. Most of them were very bright, asking penetrating questions, and preparing their homework in a perfect way. In a few cases, instead of a final examination, I assigned to them some small research projects and they presented their results at the end of the course. They were excellent in preparing the appropriate slides and in presenting their results in a concise and clear way.

**Structure, Coherence and Chaos in Dynamical Systems** Peter L. Christiansen 1989

*Hell or High Water* Paul Martin 2009-10-27 National bestseller Paul Martin was the Prime Minister we never really knew — in this memoir he emerges as a fascinating flesh and blood man, still working hard to make a better world. “The next thing you know, I was in a jail cell.” (Chapter 2) “From the moment I flipped his truck on the road home to Morinville...” (Chapter 3) “When I came back into Aquin’s headquarters I had a broken nose.” (Chapter 4) These are not lines that you expect in a prime ministerial memoir. But Paul Martin — who led the country from 2003 to 2006 — is full of surprises, and his book will reveal a very different man from the prime minister who had such a rough ride in the wake of the sponsorship scandal. Although he grew up in Windsor and Ottawa as the son of the legendary Cabinet Minister Paul Martin, politics was not in his blood. As a kid he loved sports, and had summer jobs as a deckhand or a roustabout. As a young man he plunged into family life, and into the business world. After his years as a “corporate firefighter” for Power Corporation came the excitement of acquiring Canada Steamship Lines in Canada’s largest ever leveraged buy-out, “the most audacious gamble of my life.” In 1988, however, he became a Liberal M.P., ran for the leadership in 1990 and in 1993 became Jean Chrétien’s minister of finance, with the country in a deep hole. The story of his years as perhaps our best finance minister ever leads to his account of the revolt against Chrétien, and his time in office. Great events and world figures studied this book, which is firm but polite as it sets the record straight, and is full of

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wry humour and self-deprecating stories. Far from ending with his defeat in 2006, the book deals with his continuing passions, such as Canada's aboriginals and the problems of Africa. This is an idealistic, interesting book that reveals the Paul Martin we never knew. It's a pleasure to meet him.

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**Prague in Black and Gold** Peter Demetz 1998-03-18 Prague is at the core of everything both wonderful and terrible in Western history, but few people truly understand this city's unique culture. In *Prague in Black and Gold*, Peter Demetz strips away sentimentalities and distortions and shows how Czechs, Germans, Italians, and Jews have lived and worked together for over a thousand years.

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DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: Prague Craig Turp 2012-02-01 Few cities have as much to offer as Prague, so it can be difficult to decide how best to spend your time, but the Eyewitness Travel Guide helps you to get the most from your stay. This guide will introduce you to Prague by locating the city geographically, setting modern Prague in its historical context. Learn about the city's main attractions and sights including a feature on the River Vltava. Discover other places around Prague with the day trips listed in the section Prague Area by Area. It is the carefully researched tips for hotels and restaurants, shops, markets, cafes, bars, entertainment and sporting events that separates this guide from the rest. Let the maps, photography and detailed illustration of the Eyewitness Travel Guide show you what others only tell you. Annually revised and updated, beautiful new full-color photos, illustrations, and maps Includes information on local customs, currency, medical services, and transportation. Consistently chosen over the competition in national consumer market research. The best keeps getting better!

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**Prague** Metropolitan Museum of Art (New York, N.Y.) 2005 This catalogue accompanies the Fall 2005

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exhibition that celebrates the flowering of art in medieval Prague, when the city became not only an imperial but also an intellectual and artistic capital of Europe. Scholars trace the distinctly Bohemian art that developed during the reigns of Holy Roman Emperor Charles IV and his sons; the artistic achievements of master craftsmen; and the rebuilding of Prague Castle and of Saint Vitus' Cathedral. -- Metropolitan Museum of Art website.

### **Evaluation of Present State of Knowledge of Factors Affecting Tidal Hydraulics and Related Phenomena** 1965

### **Transactions of the Linnean Society of London** Linnean Society of London 1855

**The Rough Guide to Prague** Rob Humphreys 2002 THE ROUGH GUIDE TO PRAGUE is the insider's handbook to the Czech capital. Features include: Entertaining accounts of all the sights, from the vast castle complex to the modern art museum - plus excursions outside the city. Extensive listings of the best places to stay, eat and drink, and the last word on the city's nightlife. Incisive background on Prague's culture and history, ranging from new wave cinema to the story of the Velvet Revolution. Full-colour map section plus 20 other maps and plans.

Prague Marco Polo Pocket Guide Marco Polo 2018-11-02 Explore Prague with this handy, pocket-sized, authoritative guide, packed with Insider Tips. Discover boutique hotels, authentic restaurants, the city's trendiest places, and get tips on shopping and what to do on a limited budget. Let Marco Polo show you all this magical city has to offer...

### **Transactions of the Linnean Society** 1855

European Societies in the Bronze Age A. F. Harding 2000-05-18 A survey of the Bronze Age in Europe, c. 2500 to 750 BC, for students and specialists.

Advances in Water Pollution Research S. H. Jenkins 2015-12-04 Advances in Water Pollution Research contains the papers that were presented at the Fourth Conference of the International Association on Water Pollution Research, held in Prague, Czech Republic, on September 2-6, 1968. This book provides information on a wide variety of subjects concerned with research on water pollution. Organized into three sections encompassing 55 chapters, this book begins with an overview of the self-purification of flowing surface waters, which is a natural, complex physico-biochemical phenomenon that has special significance in canalized rivers. This text then examines the adoption of special measures to prevent stream pollution, which is caused by the ever-increasing amounts of industrial waste waters and sewage. Other chapters consider the factors that affect the variations of water quality in rivers, including the external effects and the quantitative or qualitative variations in the volume of flowing liquid. The final chapter deals with alternative cooling water systems. This book is a valuable resource for sanitary and civil engineers.

**Visualizing and Exhibiting Jewish Space and History** Richard I. Cohen 2012-10-30 Continuing its distinguished tradition of focusing on central political, sociological, and cultural issues of Jewish life in the last century, Volume XXVI of the annual Studies in Contemporary Jewry examines the visual revolution that has overtaken Jewish cultural life in the twentieth century onwards, with special attention given to the evolution of Jewish museums. Bringing together leading curators and scholars, Visualizing and Exhibiting Jewish Space and History treats various forms of Jewish representation in museums in Europe and the United States before the Second World War and inquires into the nature and proliferation of

Jewish museums following the Holocaust and the fall of Communism in Western and Eastern Europe. In addition, a pair of essays dedicated to six exhibitions that took place in Israel in 2008 to mark six decades of Israeli art raises significant issues on the relationship between art and gender, and art and politics. An introductory essay highlights the dramatic transformation in the appreciation of the visual in Jewish culture. The scope of the symposium offers one of the first scholarly attempts to treat this theme in several countries. Also featured in this volume are a provocative essay on the nature of antisemitism in twentieth-century English society; review essays on Jewish fundamentalism and recent works on the subject of the Holocaust in occupied Soviet territories; and reviews of new titles in Jewish Studies..

*Prague* Jack Altman 2002 This guide provides an introduction to Prague with a directory containing hotels, restaurants, shops and entertainment listings. Organised regionally, places of interest are highlighted on maps and facts, historical, and cultural sites are detailed along with the practicalities of your trip.

The Carved Wooden Torah Arks of Eastern Europe Bracha Yaniv 2017-08-01 Monumental carved wooden Torah arks were an outstanding feature of east European synagogues between the seventeenth and the nineteenth centuries, yet virtually none survived the Second World War. Bracha Yaniv therefore breathes a new life into a lost genre with this extensively researched, meticulously documented, and richly illustrated book. She is the first to paint a vivid portrait of their history and to offer a detailed explanation of the motifs that adorned them.

*Prague Marco Polo Spiral Guide* Marco Polo Travel Publishing 2016-02-24 Marco Polo Spiral Guides are for travelers who have little time to prepare for a trip, don't want to miss anything, like to be inspired by great ideas for exciting days out and love all things ultra-practical and easy to use. Top 10 sights: From the top down to make it easy to prioritise! Don't miss: Each chapter highlights the absolute must-sees for each area. Tips for every day: Perfectly planned travel itineraries for each area including the best places to eat and drink along the way. Fun feature articles: Help to set the scene and get under the skin of a destination to see what makes it tick. Top 10 reasons to come back: For those undecided about a return visit there is a list of Top 10 reasons to come back again! Colour coded: A handy colour coding system aids fast and easy orientation. Street Atlas & pull out map: The best of both worlds! Some people prefer an atlas while others prefer a separate map Marco Polo Spiral Guides have both!"

**Parties, Trade Unions, and Society in East-Central Europe** Michael Waller 1994 This collection of essays is divided into two parts, and originates in a conference hosted by the Political Institute of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in March 1993.

**Transactions of the Linnean Society** Linnean Society of London 1855 Charter and by-laws of the society in v. 7.

**The Rough Guide to Czech Republic** Rough Guides 2009-05-01 The Rough Guide to Czech Republic is the ultimate travel guide, with detailed coverage of all the best attractions the Czech Republic has to offer. Discover the magnificent art galleries and museums in the Czech Republic, visit one of the Czech Republic's world-class concerts or festivals, view Prague's spectacular architecture on a walking tour, or taste the flavours of Czech cuisine, while exploring all the corners of the enchanting Czech Republic with clear maps and stunning photography. Fully updated and expanded, with descriptions and recommendations of the best hotels in Czech Republic and the best restaurants and bars throughout the Czech Republic. Whether you're looking for expert tips for exploring the Czech Republic's varied landscapes, an authoritative background on the history of the Czech Republic, or the low-down on the Czech Republic's sensational festivals, The Rough Guide to Czech Republic is the definitive guide to this

enchanting region. Make the most of your holiday with The Rough Guide to the Czech Republic!

**Lapidarium of the National Museum Prague** Lapidárium Národního musea (Prague, Czech Republic) 1993

[A Hedonist's Guide to Prague](#) Paul Sullivan 2007 Described by Harpers & Queen as "a chic insider's guide for sophisticated travellers," these sleek, black city guides are aimed at the more discerning traveller looking to sidestep the usual tourist traps and penetrate the skin of each city. The Hedonist's Guide To series offers a definitive view of the finest restaurants, the most stylish hotels, the chicest bars, the best shopping, the most luxurious spas and the cultural highlights in each city. Individually tried and tested, every bar, restaurant, hotel, cafe and nightclub is accompanied by a photograph.

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*DK Eyewitness Prague Mini Map and Guide* DK Eyewitness 2020-08-18 A travel e-guide, includes expert advice and ideas for the best things to see and do in Prague - perfect for a day trip or a short break. Whether you want to wander through medieval lanes, cross bewitching Charles Bridge at dawn, or sample superlative beer in one of the city's many characterful pubs - this great-value, concise travel e-guide will ensure you don't miss a thing. Inside Mini Map and Guide Prague: - Color-coded area guide makes it easy to find information quickly and plan your day - Illustrations show the inside of some of Prague's most iconic buildings - Color photographs of Prague's museums, architecture, shops, cathedrals and more - Essential travel tips including our expert choices of where to eat, drink and shop, plus useful transportation, currency and health information and a phrase book - Chapters covering Staré Mesto; Josefov and Northern Staré Mesto; Prague Castle and Hradcany; Malá Strana; Nové Mesto; Beyond the Centre Mini Map and Guide Prague is abridged from DK Eyewitness Travel Guide Prague Staying for longer and looking for a more comprehensive guide? Try our DK Eyewitness Top Ten Prague. About DK Eyewitness Travel: DK's Mini Map and Guides take the work out of planning a short trip, with expert advice and easy-to-read maps to inform and enrich any short break. DK is the world's leading illustrated reference publisher, producing beautifully designed books for adults and children in over 120 countries.

*Trapped in the Cold War* Hermann H. Field 2002 The disappearance behind the Iron Curtain of the American brothers Noel and Hermann Field in 1949, followed by that of Noel's wife and their foster daughter, was one of the most publicized international mysteries of the Cold War. This dual memoir gives an intensely human dimension to that struggle, with Hermann narrating all that happened to him from the day he was abducted from the Warsaw airport to his release five years later, and Kate relating her unrelenting efforts to find her husband. Thousands of potential victims of Hitler's dragnet were rescued

in 1939 and during World War II through separate efforts of the Field brothers. Arrested in Czechoslovakia in 1949, Noel was taken to Hungary and used as an example of American perfidy in show trials. Hermann went to Poland primarily to find out what had happened to his brother. After Hermann's abduction, he was taken to the cellar of a secret Polish prison, where he was held for five years. He gives us a detailed account of his battle to survive, alternating despair and horror with mordant humor. Meanwhile, his family had no idea whether he was still alive and if so, where. This moving story, based on detailed notes made by the authors during and shortly after the events described, presents an inside-outside counterpoint, as Hermann's chapters on his inward journey in his cellar world alternate with Kate's efforts in London to find him by scrutinizing accounts of political events in Eastern Europe for clues and penetrating the diplomatic corridors of power in the West for help. Hermann had been arrested by a Polish security agent who later defected and became one of the West's most important informants on Soviet operations in Eastern Europe. The search for the Field brothers was complicated by their history of leftist connections, for this tense period in the Cold War was also the era of McCarthyism in the United States. The book ends with an Epilogue that analyzes the events of fifty years ago in the light of what we know today, as the result of newly available archival material.

CONCRETE Innovations in Materials, Design and Structures FIB - International Federation for Structural Concrete 2019-05-27 This Proceedings contains the papers of the fib Symposium "CONCRETE Innovations in Materials, Design and Structures", which was held in May 2019 in Kraków, Poland. This annual symposium was co-organised by the Cracow University of Technology. The topics covered include Analysis and Design, Sustainability, Durability, Structures, Materials, and Prefabrication. The fib, Fédération internationale du béton, is a not-for-profit association formed by 45 national member groups and approximately 1000 corporate and individual members. The fib's mission is to develop at an international level the study of scientific and practical matters capable of advancing the technical, economic, aesthetic and environmental performance of concrete construction. The fib, was formed in 1998 by the merger of the Euro-International Committee for Concrete (the CEB) and the International Federation for Prestressing (the FIP). These predecessor organizations existed independently since 1953 and 1952, respectively.

*Prague* Andrew Beattie 2014-07-30 Since its foundation in the ninth century Prague has punched way above its weight to become a fulcrum of European culture. The city's most illustrious figures in the fields of music, literature and film are well known: Mozart staged the premiere of his opera Don Giovanni here; in the early twentieth century Franz Kafka was at the forefront of the city's intellectual life, while later writers such as Milan Kundera and film directors such as Milos Forman chronicled Prague's fortunes under communism. Yet the city has a cultural heritage that runs far deeper than Kafka museums and Mozart-by-candlelight concerts. It encompasses the avant-garde punk group Plastic People of the Universe, the "new wave" film directors of the 1960s who made their striking movies in the city's famed Barrandov studios, and artists such as Alfons Mucha and Frantisek Kupka whose revolutionary canvases fomented Art Nouveau and abstract art at the dawn of the twentieth century. Beyond art galleries, concert halls and cinemas the history of Prague has been one of invasion and sometimes brutal oppression. The great German chancellor Otto von Bismarck once commented that "whoever controls Prague, controls mid-Europe" and a succession of imperialist powers have taken this advice to heart, most recently Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union. Opposition has taken many forms, from the religious reformer Jan Hus in the fifteenth century to playwright and dissident Václav Havel, whose elevation to the Czechoslovak presidency in 1990 made him a symbol of the rebirth of democracy in Eastern Europe. In this book Andrew Beattie also reflects on the modern city, where bold new buildings such as Frank Gehry's "Dancing House" rub shoulders with monuments from the Gothic and Baroque eras such as the Charles Bridge and St. Vitus' Cathedral. He considers the suburbs too, home to world-renowned soccer and ice

hockey teams, gleaming shopping centers and grim communist-era apartment blocks that are often home to Vietnamese, Romany and Muslim minority groups who live in a city with a growing international outlook. The Prague he reveals is an increasingly confident and diverse city of the new Europe.