

WRITING FOR READERS, COLLECTORS, DESIGNERS

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Amphora, published by the Alcuin Society, appears three times a year with original articles about the reading, collecting and designing of some of Canada's best-loved books.

- Issue 172 featured a brush with calligraphy, collector Robert Coupe's impressions of collecting William Morris, and how book artist Trisha Klus put her stamp on Mother Goose.
- Issue 173 shed light on the work of Michael Torosian, was blessed by Papeterie Saint-Armand and coloured up with Chinese woodblock prints.
- Issue 174 explored the literary landscape of Vancouver artist R.S. Sherman, glanced at the Look of Books competition and discovered the bookstores of Saint John, New Brunswick.
- Issue 175 visited the bookstores of early Victoria, unfolded a Leporello album and discovered the world of the *Nuremberg Chronicle*.

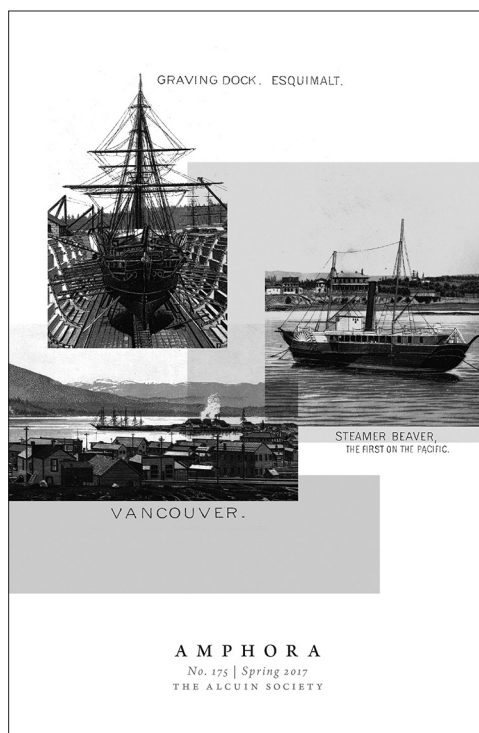
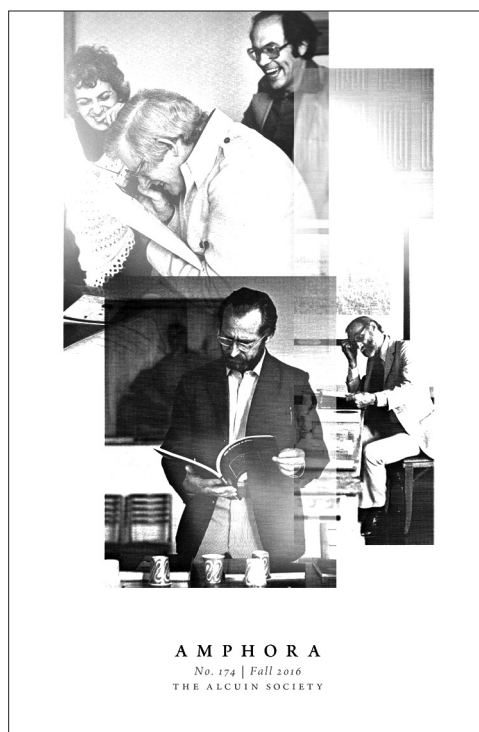
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FROM THE LIBRARY, BOOKS

Since its founding in 1965, the Alcuin Society has published or collaborated on books and other items showcasing or relating to the book arts in Canada. Many of these publications remain available for purchase.

Charles van Sandwyk

Long Ago in Bangalore

Vancouver: Author, 2014. Price available on request. This original poem by Charles van Sandwyk was printed by David Clifford at Black Stone Press for the Alcuin Society's annual general meeting held on June 9, 2014. Limited to 70 numbered and signed copies; 13 copies remaining.

A.S.H. (Abraham S. Holmes)

Belinda, or the Rivals

Vancouver: The Alcuin Society, 1970. \$30. Originally published in 1843. Printed letterpress in Palatino on Strathmore Natural Art Parchment. Sixteen period watercolours of Chatham, Ontario area from originals in the Public Archives of Canada lithographed by a four-colour process. Numbered and signed by pressman, typesetter, designer and binder.

Johannes Trithemius

In Praise of Scribes (De Laude Scriptorium)

Vancouver: The Alcuin Society, 1977. \$40. Originally published in 1494. Translation by Elizabeth Bryson Bongie and edited with an introduction by Michael S. Batts. Hand-set in Caslon by Cobblestone Press and printed by members of the Society on Cortlea Cover.

Terry Stillman

Thoreau MacDonald: Canada's Foremost Book Illustrator

Vancouver: The Alcuin Society, 2005. \$15. A tribute to Thoreau MacDonald with a checklist of the Woodchuck Press and other works by MacDonald. Illustrated with photographs of the artist and 14 examples of his woodcuts.

Robert Bringhurst

The Surface of Meaning: Books and Book Design in Canada

Vancouver: Canadian Centre for Studies in Publishing Press, 2008. \$40.

The definitive book on the history of Canadian book design, from the early 19th century to the present day. Beautifully illustrated in both black and white and colour.

Robert R. Reid

Takao Tanabe: Sometime Printer

Vancouver: The Alcuin Society, 2010. \$185. Third in a series on Printing and the Book Arts designed and produced by Robert Reid. The book is filled with Tanabe's keen artistic and typographic style, with 156 pages of reproductions of book pages and job printing including 19 tip-ins, all in full colour. Of the original edition of 70 copies, three copies remain available.

Amphora

Vancouver: The Alcuin Society, 1968–2012. \$1,000.

The Society's journal, which covers a wide range of topics related to the book arts: paper-making, type design, typography, typesetting, illustration, printing and binding. Two complete sets, comprising 162 issues, are available.

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