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A facsimile of an object of unknown authorship that has been the source of study and speculation for centuries and remains undecipherable to this day.

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anni fa nel Politecnico di Bari, nell'ambito del "Dottorato di ricerca in Architettura" da me coordinato; e proseguito, grazie alla costanza e alla passione di Giuseppe Fallacara e Ubaldo Occhinegro, attraverso significative tappe¹ in cui sono stati coinvolti molteplici soggetti disciplinari. Che hanno trovato il loro comune denominatore non solo nel monumento ma soprattutto nel fattore "acqua" che finalmente spiega l'utilitas del monumento stesso: una macchina complessa per captare l'acqua dal sottosuolo, utile alla cura corporis di Federico II.

Illustrated record of major interests of Paracelsus and other 16th-century chemical philosophers covers chemistry and nature in the Renaissance, Paracelsian debates, theories of Fludd, and other fascinating aspects of the era.

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During the Renaissance beauty products and herbal medicines were made in the workshops of monasteries, still rooms of homes large and small, or by alchemists in their storefronts. These arts were part of traditions handed down from Arab, Roman, Greek, and Turkish cultures. Every family had its own book of secrets (Libretti di Secreti, Tesori, Tesoretti) where they recorded successful iterations of their personal recipes for cosmetics, medicines, and household products such as dyes, candles, pesticides, etc. One example of this type of book is Caterina Sforza's alchemical, medical experiment, and recipe collection titled "Gli Experimenti de la Ex.ma S.r Caterina da Furlj Madre de lo inllux.mo S.r Giouanni de Medici", or "Gli Experimenti". In this book Gigi Coulson has translated 24 of Caterina's beauty recipes into modern

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English for the benefit of those wanting to try their hand at creating them in their own still rooms.

Paul Schmitthenner

The Chemical Philosophy

Eye of the Needle

A Masterpiece of Science

Lo spazio domestico mediterraneo - Domestic space in mediterranean

Stone Vaults for the Modern World

In spite of all the papers that others have written about the manuscript, there is no complete survey of all the approaches, ideas, background information and analytic

studies that have accumulated over the nearly fifty-five years since the manuscript was discovered by Wilfrid M. Voynich in 1912. This report pulls together all the information the author could obtain from all the sources she has examined, and to present it in an orderly fashion. The resulting survey will provide a firm basis upon which other students may build their work, whether they seek to decipher the text or simply to learn more about the problem.

An examination of the many theories surrounding this enigmatic text, apparently written in code • Reveals the connections between this work and the Cathars, Roger

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Bacon, and John Dee • Explains the cryptanalysis methods used in attempts to break the code • Includes color images from the manuscript juxtaposed with other medieval writings Since its discovery by Wilfrid Voynich in an Italian monastery in 1912, the Voynich Manuscript has baffled scholars and cryptanalysts with its unidentifiable script and bizarre illustrations. Written in an unknown language or an as yet undecipherable code, this medieval manuscript contains hundreds of illustrations of unknown plants, cosmological charts, and inexplicable scenes of naked “nymphs” bathing in a green liquid that some interpret as a symbolic depiction of human reproduction

and the joining of the soul with the body. Gerry Kennedy and Rob Churchill explore the mystery surrounding the Voynich Manuscript, examining the many existing theories about the possible authors of this work and the information it may contain. They trace the speculative history of the manuscript and reveal those who may be connected to it, including Roger Bacon, John Dee, and the Cathars. With the possibility that it may be a lost alchemical text or other esoteric work, this manuscript remains one of the most intriguing yet enigmatic documents ever to have come to light. Gerry Kennedy is a freelance writer and has produced a number of BBC Radio

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4 programs, including one on the Voynich Manuscript in 2001. Rob Churchill is a professional writer who has written scripts for many production companies, including the BBC and Thames Television. Both authors were consultants for the BBC/Mentorn Films documentary The Voynich Mystery. They live in London.

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percorso di ricerca intorno al linguaggio architettonico nel
secondo ventennio del ventesimo secolo in Italia, prende le
mosse dalla figura “dimenticata” di Giovanni Battista
Milani per diversi motivi. Innanzitutto per la convinzione

che una figura come quella di Milani possa servire a gettare una luce sulla difficile fase di passaggio alla modernità, a Roma, dalla oscura stagione precedente, solo da poco oggetto di studio. Sono proprio queste fasi di passaggio le più fervide di indicazioni metodologiche, proprio per la natura complessa delle relazioni tra progetto costruzione e pensiero formale. In secondo luogo, perché Milani fa parte della “fazione” che risultò perdente nella congerie del dibattito architettonico, che portò i cosiddetti accademici all’ostracismo professionale: l’accademismo di Milani offre la possibilità di legare il pensiero ottocentesco alle figure emergenti, leggendo i caratteri di continuità e di

innovazione della ricerca romana. Come legare l'innovazione delle forme, conseguente l'adozione di nuovi materiali, con le esigenze della continuità ambientale con le forme della tradizione classica nella costruzione della città? Quale era la via italiana alla modernità, quale il linguaggio rispondente alle istanze di cogenza strutturale e di convenienza ambientale (nel senso più ampio del termine, dalle problematiche legate al clima a quelle legate al contesto urbano)? Questi temi saranno affrontati a partire da edifici o complessi architettonici esemplari, andando ad indagare gli etimi del linguaggio nel rapporto tra forma, struttura e costruzione, per poi allargarsi a

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scuole, progettisti, dibattiti intorno ai temi dello stile. Stile su cui questo studio intende fornire, in ultima analisi, un contributo per una architettura moderna mediterranea che sappia legare tradizione e costruzione, storia e natura.

Marco Stefano Orsini (Castellaneta, 1976), laureato a Bari nel 2006 con una tesi sulla stereotomia del legno in Spagna. Ha conseguito nel 2009 il titolo di Dottore di ricerca in Progettazione Architettonica. Nel 2011 vince una borsa di studio di post- dottorato con uno studio intorno ai caratteri tipologici, formali e costruttivotecnologici delle grandi coperture voltate in calcestruzzo armato o a struttura metallica dell'altra

modernità romana. Nel 2014 vince una borsa di studio su “Strategie di recupero, innovazione e valorizzazione di alcuni moderni complessi edilizi del Mediterraneo”, presso il Politecnico di Bari, dove, dal 2009, collabora ai corsi di progettazione architettonica al III anno della Facoltà di Architettura.

Andrew McCarthy grows concerned for his family after he catches a young man, Zachary Denton, photographing his daughter, Grace McCarthy, and other children at a park. To his dismay, Zachary talks his way out of trouble when he's confronted by the police. He hopes that's the end of it. Then he finds Zachary at a diner and then at a grocery

store. He knows their encounters aren't coincidences. And just as Andrew prepares to defend his family, Grace vanishes. As the police search stalls and the leads dry up, Andrew decides to take matters into his own hands. He starts by searching for sex offenders in the area and researching enhanced interrogation techniques... He convinces himself he'll do anything to rescue his daughter, unaware of the pure evil he'll face in his journey. He's willing to hurt-to torture-anyone to save his family. Jon Athan, the author of *Into the Wolves' Den* and *The Abuse of Ashley Collins*, delves into the underworld of internet predators in this disturbing horror novel. Are your children

safe? WARNING: This book contains graphic content.

Reader discretion is advised.

The Mysterious Code That Has Defied Interpretation for
Centuries

Francis of Assisi

The World's Most Mysterious and Esoteric Codex

The CIPHER of Roger Bacon

A Novel

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Miegunyah lectures 2010 at The University of Melbourne

In questo eBook si prende in esame il tema della follia e si

riporta anche un'ampia filmografia su questo tema. Inoltre viene presentato il Thriller Follia di Arnoldo Golvorthi. I temi trattati nell'eBook sono: Follia, Antefatto, 1 – La stanza delle torture, La Follia, Eziologia, I sistemi di disadattamento, L'interpretazione psicoanalitica, La follia nella storia, La follia nella cultura, Storia della follia nell'età classica, Idee principali, Una reclusione al posto di un'altra, L'internamento dei folli, eretici, criminali e libertini, Malattia dell'anima, Citazioni di Michel Foucault, Le parole e le cose, Storia della follia nell'età classica – Incipit, Film sulla Follia, La Letteratura Poliziesca, Classici del Giallo, Freising - Il Segreto di Hitler di Adelaide Byrne, Incipit, 1 - La ragazza scomparsa, La Maledizione del Manoscritto di

*Voynich di Adelaide Byrne, Incipit, 1 – Al Teatro Argentina,
Il Male di Anna Caterina Grees, Incipit, 1 - La scoperta del
cadavere, La Pergamena del Conte Ugolino di Anna
Caterina Grees, Incipit, 1 – Khair ed-Din, 2 – Un incarico da
spia, La Morte aleggia a Castel Glicine di Fiorenza Varden,
Incipit, 1 – Soltanto una voce, L'Ombra della Follia di
Guglielmo Lanyon Dave, Incipit, 1 – Sbarco in Germania, Il
Tenebroso Bosco dei Misteri di Gustavo Giorgio Arnoldi,
Incipit, 1 – La nascita della Stirpe del Lupo, 2 – Il Libro delle
Ombre, Il Rubino di Mata Hari di Owen J. David, Antefatto,
1 – La Crisi Finanziaria, Il Mistero del Teatro della Morte di
Paolo Trenti, Incipit, Antefatto, 1 – Nuda in scena, Intrigo a
Londra di Tommaso Galloni, Incipit, 1 – Il compleanno,*

Negli oscuri meandri del castello, I Gialli Medioevali degli Uomini senza Volto, I Gialli Pulp Magazine: Presentazione Serie, I Gialli Pulp Magazine, La Dama Rossa uccide tre volte di Hank Monk, Incipit, Il mendicante e la meretrice, Il Diabolico Professor Mefisto, John Sherlock Holmes, il figlio di Sherlock Holmes, Segreto Mortale di Curt Matul, Incipit, 1 - Il Testamento della morte, Le Avventure di Kit Masterson, Le Avventure di Maschera Bianca, il Ladro Gentiluomo, Le Indagini Segrete di Gabriele D'Annunzio, Otto rintocchi di morte, Altre Indagini di Gabriele D'Annunzio, Sheila Holmes, la pronipote di Sherlock Holmes, Le Avventure di Sheila Holmes, pronipote di Sherlock Holmes.

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The story of the discovery of the key of Bacon's system of ciphers and its application to the Voynich manuscript and other untranslated documents.

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Medieval Monsters

Pretend I'm Dead

The Voynich Manuscript

Discovering, Decoding & Understanding the Ancient Art

Princes and Artists

2013

Castel del Monte. Manuale storico di sopravvivenza

This writing is lined up so when you read it you look

East, and all the description you will read about magnetic current, it will be just as good for your electricity. Following is the result of my two years' experiment with magnets at Rock Gate, seventeen miles Southwest from Miami, Florida. Between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth Latitude and Eightieth and Eighty-first Longitude west. This book contains all 105 original illustrations and diagrams. Fans of Dan Brown and Michael Crichton will love this tense and heart-stopping thriller from bestselling author Michael Cordy. "An all singing, all dancing, cover-to-cover thrills and spills action adventure" -

DAILY MIRROR "Delivers right down the line from initial conceit, through fast action to explosive finale...sheer entertainment" -- OBSERVER "Loved it. I was hooked from page one and could not put this book down." -- ***** Reader review "DaVinci meets Indiana Jones.....brilliant...just brilliant." -- ***** Reader review "A great read and such a page-turner that I read it in two installments with bedtime as the cause for the only break." -- ***** Reader review *****

IT'S NOT A MYTH. IT EXISTS. FIND IT. Ambitious geologist Ross Kelly has it all: a lucrative career

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searching for oil across the world and a beautiful, brilliant wife, Lauren, pregnant with their first child. But when Lauren, a Yale academic, deciphers the university's mysterious Voynich manuscript, which has confounded experts for centuries, everything changes. An attempt to steal her translation of the Voynich leaves Lauren hovering on the brink of death, and Ross in the depths of despair. He seeks salvation in the ancient manuscript, which chronicles the discovery of a mythic, fabulous garden: an Eden so terrible and miraculous it rewrites the book of Genesis. The possibility of the garden's existence

offers Ross the only hope of saving Lauren and their unborn child and so he decides to seek the garden out before it is too late. But he is not alone. Racing against time, a lethal assassin and a fanatical priest desperate to claim the miraculous garden for his church, Ross's quest will lead him to a place that will challenge everything he ever thought about the source of life on earth.

This book contains the two formal lectures delivered by the authors at the University of Melbourne as part of the 2010 Miegunyah Distinguished Visiting Fellowship Program, and an anthology of essays

written during the last ten years. These writings formed the basis for the academic activities undertaken in Australia during the residency at the Melbourne School of Design. CLAUDIO D'AMATO GUERRIERI is full Professor of Architectural Design and the current Dean of the Faculty of Architecture at the Polytechnic of Bari, which he founded and first headed in 1990. Between 2003 and 2009, he was the Director of the Program in Architecture and Industrial Design within the same Faculty. He was previously Chair of Architecture at the University of Reggio Calabria, and taught at the University of

Rome. Since the 1980s, he has been part of many government commissions on the transformation of architectural teaching in universities. Professor d'Amato Guerrieri received his Laurea in Architettura in 1971 from La Sapienza University of Rome, where he subsequently obtained a Master degree in Study and Restoration of Monuments in 1974. Since 1978 he is part of the Architects' Professional Register for the jurisdiction of Rome. ATTILIO PETRUCCIOLI holds the Chair in Landscape Architecture at the Polytechnic of Bari, where he is also the Director of the Architecture Department. Between 2003 and

2009, he was the Dean of the Faculty of Architecture. Before his appointment in Italy, Professor Petruccioli was the Aga Khan Professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, and the Director of the Aga Khan Program of Islamic Architecture at Harvard and MIT. He is currently a member of the Italian Inter-University Research Centre on Developing Countries (CIRPS), and sits on the Board of Directors of the American Centre for Maghrib Studies, the Board of the International Seminar on Urban Form, the Committee of Honour of the International Network of

Traditional Building Architecture and Urbanism (INTBAU) of the Prince of Wales Foundation in London, and the International Association for the Study of Traditional Environments (IASTE). He is also a research associate at the Centre for Middle Eastern Studies at Harvard University.

From satyrs and sea creatures to griffins and dragons, monsters lay at the heart of the medieval world. Believed to dwell in exotic, remote areas, these inexplicable parts of God's creation aroused fear, curiosity and wonder in equal measure. Powerfully captured in the illustrations of

manuscripts, such as bestiaries, travel books and devotional works, they continue to delight audiences today with their vitality and humour. Medieval Monsters shows how strange creatures sparked artists' imaginations to remarkable heights. Half-human hybrids of land and sea mingle with bewitching demons, blemmyae, cyclops and multi-headed beasts of nightmare and comic grotesques. Over 100 wondrous and terrifying images offer a fascinating insight into the medieval mind.

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Castel Sant'Angelo

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Il Mistero della Follia

Supplement

Flat Earth

1884-1972

An Elegant Enigma

Sono rimasto colpito dalla interpretazione che Fallacara e Occhinegro danno dei disegni contenuti nel folio 85r-2 come meta-progetto di Castel del Monte: se si assume questa chiave di lettura, tutto sembra andare al suo posto nella realizzazione architettonica, disvelando il complesso programma simbolico, scientifico, esoterico e funzionale che ne fu alla base: la complessa "macchina

idraulica" federiciana, unico esempio del medioevo occidentale, composta intrinsecamente di tubazioni, canalizzazioni, sanitari, docce, camini ed altro sembra essere a tutti gli effetti la trasposizione reale e concreta di ciò che viene "descritto" nelle pagine del Manoscritto Voynich. I was particularly impressed by the authors interpretation of folio 85 1-2 [of the Voynich Manuscript] as a meta-project of Castel del Monte. With this illustration as a key to reading the monument, everything falls into place: the architectural design is revealed in its full symbolic, scientific, esoteric and functional nature. Frederick II's "hydraulic machine", a unique exemplum in Western Medieval architecture, made of pipes, tubes,

channels, cisterns, showers and fireplaces, does indeed appear as the concrete transposition of that which is 'described' in the Voynich Manuscript of real and tangible what is "described" in the pages of the Voynich Manuscript.

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major importance in our understanding of life in 16th century Mexico. Publisher's Note: For the eBook editions, Voynichese symbols are only rendered properly in the PDF format.

"The relationship between artists and their patrons has always been a complex and fascinating one. In the case of the Habsburg rules of the sixteenth and seventh centuries, this is especially true, not only because those rulers are themselves of intrinsic interest, but because the artists whom they encouraged or employed - Durer, Titian, El Grego, Rubens - were among the greatest of all times. In Princes and Artists Professor Trevor-Roper explores the relationship between art and patronage

through the careers of the Emperor Charles V (1500-58), his son Philip II of Spain (1527-98), the Emperor Rudolf II (1552-1612) and 'the arch-dukes' - Albert and Isabella - who ruled the southern Netherlands from 1598 to 1633. In the context of their personal lives, their several courts, their political activities, and the ideological conflicts of the era, art played an immensely important role - partly as propaganda, partly for the sheer aesthetic pleasure it gave. The author argues that the distinctive characteristics of patronage in this period, which spanned the transition from the High Renaissance to the Baroque in art, from the Reformation to the Counter-Reformation in ideology, are to be explained by the

'world picture' of the age: "Art symbolised a whole view of life, of which politics were a part, and which the court had a duty to advertise and sustain." -- Book jacket.

His code name was The Needle. He was a German aristocrat of extraordinary intelligence a master spy with a legacy of violence in his blood, and the object of the most desperate manhunt in history.

Stereotomy

Stone Architecture and New Research

An Exploration of Aztec Plants

VOYNICH MANUSCRIPT

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The Groomer

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Moderne architetture romane

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L'analisi dell'architettura domestica antica del Cairo ha come campo d'indagine le residenze aristocratiche di epoca mamelucca (XIII-XVI sec. d.C.) ed ottomana (XVI-XVIII sec. d.C.). La peculiarità di queste abitazioni è determinata da due aspetti principali che condizionano fortemente i caratteri del tipo edilizio: il fattore climatico (la necessità di proteggersi dal caldo); la molteplicità delle influenze culturali, che hanno inciso sul graduale

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processo di aggiornamento e reinterpretazione delle antiche tradizioni costruttive e formali. La casa cairota esprime una forma costruita che trova la sua ragione nei caratteri del contesto ambientale e climatico. Il progetto architettonico si fonda su una stretta relazione di necessità tra istanza tipologica, morfologica e strutturale, nella quale le caratteristiche dei materiali, l'attenzione per il dettaglio e la pregnanza dei sistemi costruttivi consentono di trasfigurare lo strumento tecnologico in elemento di architettura. Nella città di Fustat si consoliderà il primo

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esempio di quella che sarà la futura casa araba. La casa cairota, tuttavia, costituisce un'eccezione rispetto al processo di fondazione della tradizionale casa araba, dal momento che essa viene privata del ruolo centrale che aveva la corte nelle restanti parti del mondo arabo. Lo spazio denominato qa'a, dedicato all'accoglienza, scandito dalla successione ritmica iwan-durqa'a-iwan, è considerato l'elemento fondativo della casa cairota. Esso costituisce la fine di un processo evolutivo, nel quale la corte ad iwan, abbasside e fatimide, intesa come luogo di abitazione scoperto, si contrae e si

trasforma in una sala chiusa: il durqa'a. The analysis of Cairo's ancient domestic architecture covers the aristocratic residences of the Mameluk period (13th-16th centuries AD) and the Ottoman period (16th-18th centuries AD). The distinctive feature of these dwellings are determined by two main aspects that are primarily responsible for the nature of the building type: the climate (the need to be protected from the sun); and the many cultural influences that have affected the gradual process of updating and reinterpreting the ancient construction and formal traditions.

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The Cairene house expresses a constructed form the reason behind which is the character of the environmental and climatic context. The architectural design is based on a close relationship of need between typological, morphological and structural requirements, in which the characteristics of the materials, the attention to detail and the significance of the construction systems make it possible to transform technological instruments into architectural elements. The first example of the future Arab house is consolidated in the city of Fustat. However, the Cairene house is an exception to the process of the foundation

of Arabic houses, from the point when it loses the central role played by courtyards in the rest of the Arab world. The space known as the qa'a, a dedicated reception area, characterized by the rhythmic layout iwan-durqa'a-iwan, is considered the foundational element of the Cairene house. It is therefore the end of an evolutionary process, in which the Abbasid and Fatimid courtyard with iwans, understood as an uncovered living area, is transformed into a closed room: the durqa'a. Loredana Ficarelli (Foggia, 1957) è professore ordinario in Composizione architettonica ed urbana presso

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A beginning guide to hieroglyphics that covers the history and philosophy behind the ancient symbols.

Among the most beloved saints in the Catholic tradition, Francis of Assisi (c. 1181-1226) is popularly remembered for his dedication to

poverty, his love of animals and nature, and his desire to follow perfectly the teachings and example of Christ. During his lifetime and after his death, followers collected, for their own purposes, numerous stories, anecdotes, and reports about Francis. As a result, the man himself and his own concerns became lost in legend. In this authoritative and engaging new biography, Augustine Thompson, O.P., sifts through the surviving evidence for the life of Francis using modern historical methods. The result is a complex yet sympathetic portrait of the man and the saint. Francis emerges from this account as

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very much a typical thirteenth-century Italian layman, but one who, when faced with unexpected crises in his personal life, made decisions so radical that they challenge his own society-and ours. Unlike the saint of legend, this Francis never had a unique divine inspiration to provide him with rules for following the teachings of Jesus. Rather, he spent his life reacting to unexpected challenges, before which he often found himself unprepared and uncertain. The Francis who emerges here is both more complex and more conflicted than that of older biographies. His famed devotion to poverty is

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found to be more nuanced than expected, perhaps not even his principal spiritual concern. Thompson revisits events small and large in Francis's life, including his troubled relations with his father, his contacts with Clare of Assisi, his encounter with the Muslim sultan, and his receiving the Stigmata, to uncover the man behind the legends and popular images. A tour de force of historical research and biographical writing, *Francis of Assisi: A New Biography* is divided into two complementary parts—a stand alone biographical narrative and a close, annotated examination of the

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historical sources about Francis. Taken together, the narrative and the survey of the sources provide a much-needed fresh perspective on this iconic figure. "As I have worked on this biography," Thompson writes, "my respect for Francis and his vision has increased, and I hope that this book will speak to modern people, believers and unbelievers alike, and that the Francis I have come to know will have something to say to them today."

"So we continue our attempts; although imperfect, they will demonstrate that there is still so much do in the art of

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construction and that architecture will not take on a new form if she doesn't honestly submit to the new process of our age. (...)

We have demonstrated in what manner the vault thrusts could be removed through a system of steel tie rods, (...), eliminate the arch thrust thanks to the combination of the iron and lithic systems. (...) This is nothing more than the application of iron in the ancient way of building." Viollet-le-Duc, Entretiens, 1863. These basic principles gave birth to the "Lithic Tree", a tribute to the fossilization process and lithic transformation, a careful observation of

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natural phenomena and human modeling and adaptation, an experimental project aimed at the reation of a pattern element suitable for the creation of vaulted spaces covered and/or diaphanous. "Lithic Tree" refers to a tree-like structure with a cantilevered lithic crown, made up of separated stone elements held together with a special steel reinforcement, favouring an optimal working compression dynamic between the voussoirs. The common thread that has guided the design of "Lithic Tree" is based on the fundamental dialectic about the opposites terms lightness vs heaviness that has represented since many

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years the distinctive feature of our entire research about stereotomic architecture. Heaviness related to the natural composition of materials and lightness of the forms to which the project aims. The project approach can be considered as a synthesis between the sculptural soul of the Doric fluted column and the spatial impulse of the Gothic vault, mediated through technological innovation the translates meaning and significance on a different language level compared with the historical condition.

La Chiave di Salomone

Architetture della scuola romana nel

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passaggio alla modernità, con particolare
riferimento all'opera di Giovanni Battista
Milani

Caterina Sforza's Gli Experimenti
Codex Leicester

Flora of the Voynich Codex
Castel del Monte

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*A metà degli anni cinquanta su Schmitthenner
scendeva il silenzio. In pochi parlarono*

dell'edificio ad Hechingen, nessuno di Bourdon sur Somme. Era considerato, nella storia dell'architettura del secolo scorso, neppure un minore, ma semplicemente un reazionario su cui bisognava tacere. Questo libro si occupa di Paul Schmitthenner (1884- 1972) allievo di Riemerschmid e Fischer, amico di Tessenow e Bonatz, professore presso la Technische Hochschule di Stoccarda (1919-1945). Lo studio è stato orientato alla conoscenza dei suoi edifici, soprattutto realizzati, dalla scuola di Zuffenhausen alla Sala della Memoria del cimitero di Bourdon Somme, passando per gli edifici

residenziali, la ricostruzione dell'Alte Schloss, la Königin-Olga-Bau e la banca di Heilbronn, gli edifici di Kilchberg, il municipio di Hechingen e il palazzo delle assicurazioni Frankona a Monaco. Il punto di indagine è affine all'interesse che ha Schmitthenner per quel "nucleo originario" della forma che chiama Baugestaltung - la concezione costruttiva dell'edificio - che è insieme arte del costruire e forma dell'architettura. Un tema che è possibile ricondurre alla tradizione della Baukunst" e alla declinazione personale che ne dà lo stesso Schmitthenner con la Gebaute Form (la Forma costruita): una sintesi di forma - tecnica

- struttura, che è il contributo sempre attuale del lavoro di Schmitthenner alla modernità. Il libro è strutturato in nove capitoli dai quali emergono tematiche specifiche della “costruzione”: la forma non apparente e il Roh-Bau, il classicismo mite e la costruzione ordinaria, la forma astratta e la costruzione tettonica, la struttura a traliccio e la Gebaute Form, il dettaglio monumentale e la complessità della costruzione moderna. Questo lavoro sembra possa colmare un vuoto. L'opera di Schmitthenner, nel suo insieme, è testimonianza di un percorso diverso rispetto a quello dell'architettura moderna, un percorso che

definire "tradizionalista" sembra riduttivo: occorre parlarne, nei termini proposti dallo stesso autore, di una "vera modernità", il cui carattere riconoscibile è proprio questa unità tra concezione ed esecuzione, progetto e costruzione, idea e tecnica.

The Voynich Codex is one the most fascinating and bizarre manuscripts in the world. The manuscript (potentially equivalent to 232 pages), or more properly a codex, consists of many foldout pages. It has been divided by previous researchers into sections known as Herbal/Botanical/Pharmacology;

Balenological/Biological; Cosmology; one page known as The Rosette; and a final Recipe section. All the sections contain text in an unknown writing system, yet to be deciphered.

Cryptological analyses by modern computer programs nevertheless have determined that the language is real and not a hoax, as has been suggested by some. Despite the fact that this codex is largely an herbal, the interpreters of this manuscript with two exceptions, have not been botanists. To this end, our recent research suggests that the Voynich is a 16th century codex associated with indigenous Indians of Nueva

España educated in schools established by the Spanish. This is a breakthrough in Voynich studies. We are convinced that the Voynich codex is a document produced by Aztec descendants that has been unfiltered through Spanish editors. The flora of New Spain is vast, and the medicinal and culinary herbs used by the Aztecs were equally as copious. Even though it is our hypothesis that the Voynch Codex was written as a private herbal in 16th century New Spain, many of these herbs have relevance today because they or closely related species have been noted to be medicinal or have culinary value. The

Voynich Codex has an estimated 359 illustration of plants (phytomorphs), 131 in the Herbal Section (large images) and 228 in the Pharmaceutical Section (small images of plant parts). In our book "Unraveling of the Voynich Codex", to be published by Springer this summer, Tucker and Janick have partially identified species in the Herbal Section. In this proposed work, all of the plants of the Herbal Section will be identified along with those plants of the Pharmacology Section where identification is feasible. Each plant identification will include subdivisions to include descriptors (formal botanical identification),

names in English, Spanish, and Mesoamerican names where known, ecology and range, and properties (medicinal and culinary) of these and related species. Photographs of the phytomorphs and contemporary plants will be included. These identifications represent hard evidence that the Voynich Codex is a 16th Century Mexican manuscript. Exploring the herbs of the Aztecs through the Voynich Codex will be a seminal work for all Voynich researchers and also of interest to a wider audience in medicinal and culinary herbs, artists, and historians. In summary, our new book project Flora of the Voynich Codex will provide a

photo-illustrated guide to complete the botanical evidence related to the Voynich Codex, one of the most valuable historic texts of the 16th century. A complete illuminated manuscript in 204 full-page color plates. The Voynich manuscript is a richly illustrated codex hand-written in an undeciphered script. While the manuscript's origins are unknown it has been carbon-dated to the early 15th century and is most likely from Northern Italy or Central Europe. Its illustrations suggest that it is some form of pharmacopoeia or scientific treatise and it is divided by convention into six sections: herbal, astronomical, biological,

cosmological, pharmaceutical and recipes. Wide ranging hypotheses on the nature of the script have been put forward - from it being a complex cipher system or unknown natural language to a sophisticated hoax or pure gibberish - and decoding it remains a popular challenge in cryptography. The manuscript is named after Wilfrid Voynich, a Polish book dealer who purchased it in 1912. It is currently held by the Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Yale University.

Jen Beagin's funny, moving, fearless debut novel introduces an unforgettable character,

Mona—almost 24, cleaning houses to get by, emotionally adrift. Handing out clean needles to drug addicts, she falls for a recipient who proceeds to break her heart in unimaginable ways. She decamps to Taos, New Mexico, for a fresh start, where she finds a community of seekers and cast-offs. But they all have one or two things to teach her—the pajama-wearing, blissed-out New Agers, the slightly creepy client with peculiar tastes in controlled substances, the psychic who might really be psychic. Always just under the surface are her memories of growing up in a chaotic, destructive family from which

she's trying to disentangle herself. The story of her journey toward a comfortable place in the world and a measure of self-acceptance is psychologically acute, often surprising, and entirely human.

Magnetic Current

Patronage and Ideology at Four Habsburg Courts, 1517-1633

A New Biography

A search for "natural" stereotomy

Unraveling the Voynich Codex

The Source

Lithic Tree

Contrary to popular belief fostered in countless school classrooms the world over, Christopher Columbus did not discover that the earth was round. The idea of a spherical world had been widely accepted in educated circles from as early as the fourth century B.C. Yet, bizarrely, it was not until the supposedly more rational nineteenth century that the notion of a flat earth really took hold. Even more bizarrely, it persists to this day, despite Apollo missions and widely publicized pictures of the decidedly spherical Earth from space. Based on a range of original sources, Garwood's history of flat-Earth beliefs---from the Babylonians to the present day---raises issues central to the history and philosophy of science,

its relationship to religion and the making of human knowledge about the natural world. Flat Earth is the first definitive study of one of history's most notorious and persistent ideas, and it evokes all the intellectual, philosophical, and spiritual turmoil of the modern age. Ranging from ancient Greece, through Victorian England, to modern-day America, this is a story that encompasses religion, science, and pseudoscience, as well as a spectacular array of people and places. Where else could eccentric aristocrats, fundamentalist preachers, and conspiracy theorists appear alongside Copernicus, Newton, and NASA, except in an account of such a legendary misconception? Thoroughly enjoyable

and illuminating, Flat Earth is social and intellectual history at its best.

The age of stone architecture is timeless and has prehistoric roots; it reaches beyond all trends and tendencies; it avoids that sense of transience that marks most contemporary architecture; and, at the same time, it inspires our most varied reflections and experiments, whether of constructive elements or small architectonic works. This book seeks to give a logical and chronological order to those reflections. Through our contribution to the development of stone architecture, we wish to emphasize that there is much still to be investigated and invented with stone, whereby we mean

the enthusiastic rediscovery of those techniques and processes that time has forgotten but that hold, nonetheless, promise for the future.

Un Angelo Ombra e un Demone Emerso hanno osato sfidare il Patto d'Equilibrio. Pur di restare uniti, Ellen e Kevin hanno affrontato il proprio destino e il Consiglio dei Cerchi e delle Sfere. Ma, pochi mesi dopo la loro fuga da Inverness, la situazione di colpo precipita. Nelle Highlands scozzesi si agita l'ombra di un antico nemico pronto a risorgere. È Nemesis, l'Angelo dell'Apocalisse, che ha radunato nuovi Discepoli mettendoli sulle tracce della misteriosa Chiave di Salomone. All'oscuro di tutto questo, e rifugiatisi a Roma, Ellen e Kevin si trovano al

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centro di nuove oscure macchinazioni. Il tramonto inizia ad assottigliarsi, il Patto d'Equilibrio sta per essere spezzato, e le nature di Demone Emerso e Angelo Ombra prendono sempre più il sopravvento rendendo impossibile la loro vita assieme e spingendoli l'uno contro l'altra. Ma questa volta c'è in gioco molto di più che la loro felicità, perché Angeli e Demoni sono sull'orlo di una guerra senza precedenti, capace di annientare l'intera umanità e di spalancare i Cancelli dell'Inferno... Così, tra le rovine di Roma e le nebbie di Inverness, Ellen e Kevin inizieranno una corsa contro il tempo per recuperare la Chiave di Salomone, prima che l'Ordine dell'Apocalisse abbia il sopravvento. Ignari, tuttavia, che i

traditori del Consiglio sono pronti a tutto pur di compiere la loro folle missione. Fino all'imprevedibile finale, in cui ogni segreto sar à rivelato.

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The History of an Infamous Idea

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A breathtaking and gripping thriller that will keep you on
the edge of your seat

Golf Book

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