

Book Club Publications

The Club's publications are the organization's most substantive, vital, and lasting achievement. To date, 225 fine books bear The Book Club of California imprint. They are carefully conceived, thoughtfully designed, and attractively printed in limited editions—usually by the foremost fine press printers in the country. They are printed letterpress or offset, and sewn in cloth bindings in editions limited to 200 to 500 copies. The authors—many of them Club members—include historians, scholars, and award-winning writers and poets.

Quarterly News-Letter

Each issue of the handsomely designed and printed *Quarterly* features a substantial article on a topic in concert with the Club's objectives, as well as book reviews, Club library news, announcements of forthcoming Club publications, and other news of bibliophilic interest.

Annual Keepsake

The Annual Keepsake Series is an innovative Club publishing concept. A Club keepsake is typically comprised of twelve separate illustrated folders, on a unified literary or historical theme, contained in an elegant folder. Previous keepsake topics include *Sports in California*; *Chinese Book Arts in California*; *Homes of California Authors*; *Southern and Northern California Travel Posters*; and *California Bookplates*.

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Aims & Activities of the Book Club

The Book Club of California is a membership organization, founded in 1912. The Club's mission is to support fine printing related to the history and literature of California and the western states of America. It is known for fine print and research publications, and reflects the diverse interests of book-minded people, while providing ongoing support of individual and organizational achievements in the fine printing and allied arts—with particular focus on the western regions of America.

Benefits of Membership

- Club hospitality in downtown San Francisco
- Lectures, exhibitions, workshops, lunchtime and evening events
- Access to The Book Club of California Albert Sperisen Library collection of fine press books & ephemera printed in California and the West; books on printing history & the book arts; books on California history and literature; and bibliographies
- Bookshop offering exclusive Book Club publications, and other unique items
- Monday night hospitality from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- 10% pre-publication discount on Book Club of California books
- 15% discount on all Book Club of California books for members with standing orders
- *Quarterly News-Letter*
- Annual keepsake
- Printed ephemera: invitations, book prospectuses, exhibition checklists, memorial keepsakes, and more
- Visiting privileges to more than two dozen bibliophilic organizations (such as The Grolier Club and The Rowfant Club)
- Field trips and other events co-sponsored with allied arts organizations
- The Fellowship of American Bibliophilic Societies (FABS) semi-annual newsletter

Application for Membership

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE(S) _____

E-MAIL _____

OCCUPATION _____

PRINCIPAL AREAS OF INTEREST IN THE BOOK ARTS

I WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER MY TIME TO THE BOOK CLUB OF CALIFORNIA IN THE FOLLOWING AREA(S):

- Event Hospitality
- Workshop Leader
- Order Fulfillment & Mailings
- Administrative and Office Assistance
- Membership Promotion at Book Fairs
- In-kind Gifts
- Other _____

SPONSOR _____

TELEPHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

Note: Your sponsor should be a member in good standing of the Book Club. In the absence of a sponsor, please write in "Membership Committee" (which will arrange for a short interview via telephone or e-mail).

Special Centennial Membership Offer:

If you join the Club after September 1, 2011, your membership will be valid through December, 2012.

I agree with the aims & activities of the Club and wish to have my name proposed for the following membership:

- REGULAR \$95
- SUSTAINING \$150
- PATRON \$250
- STUDENT \$25

(WITH PROOF OF STATUS)

- STANDING ORDER

Enroll in the Standing Order program to receive all Book Club publications at a 15% discount. This Standing Order is an agreement to purchase *every* club book upon publication. All levels of membership may enter a Standing Order. Your support of the publications program is vital to its continuing success.

Annual renewals are due by January 1 of every year.

Please note: Your name will be proposed at the next board meeting of the Book Club of California. Upon approval of the Directors, we will invoice you for the level of membership that you have chosen. The Club is limited to 1,250 members.



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CALIFORNIA HISTORY