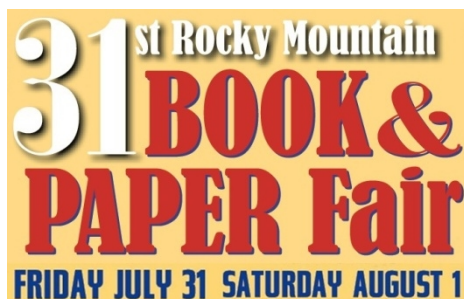


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Collectors, book lovers and curious people everywhere will have an opportunity to browse among, and purchase fine, rare and valuable books, maps, ephemera, postcards and related materials at the **31st Rocky Mountain Book & Paper Fair**. Exhibitors from across the country will be bringing their treasures for the community of collectors, admirers, and newcomers interested in starting, enhancing, or learning about the fascinating world of rare books and paper.

Dates and times: The 31st Rocky Mountain Book & Paper Fair will be held in the Expo Building at the Denver Mart, I-25 and 58th Avenue in Denver Colorado. The event will be held on Friday, July 31 from 2 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, August 1 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The venue has plenty of free parking. Advance tickets are available at [www.rmbpf.org](http://www.rmbpf.org).

The event has an overall theme of “Mystery”, and will feature guest speakers in this field:

Friday, July 31, 6:30 p.m. Featured Author: **Bloomsbury Review**, the national literary review magazine, will sponsor a reading and signing by Edgar Award-winning Denver author **Harry MacLean**. Mr. MacLean will present his new novel, “The Joy of Killing”. MacLean's earlier works, such as “In Broad Daylight”, are considered landmarks and are sought-after titles.

Saturday, August 1, 11:00 a.m. Noted Sherlock Holmes researcher **William S. “Bill” Dorn**, Professor Emeritus of Mathematics, has taught courses on Sherlock Holmes at the University of Denver for more than 40 years. He continues to teach non-credit courses for the retirement community to this day. Dr. Dorn is a certified member of The Baker Street Irregulars and is a long-time member of the Sherlock Holmes Society of London. In 1972 he was awarded a Fulbright Senior Scholar Fellowship and as a result spent the ensuing academic year at Great Britain's Open University. Professor Dorn is the author of seven books about Sherlock Holmes including a two volume Study Guide to all 60 of the original stories. He also is the co-author of six college-level textbooks on mathematics and computer science.

Saturday, August 1, 1:00 p.m. **Steve Keller** on Ghost Stories. One of the oldest genres of literature includes the tales of the supernatural. Mr. Keller has been a collector and a scholar in the field for 50 years, with special interest in the ghost stories of the early 20th century. Along with the charm and escapism of tales from an earlier era (think *Downton Abbey*) the nuance and inference of such tales have engaged audiences with a taste for the truly chilling. From Edgar Allen Poe to the somewhat lesser known authors, such as M.R. James, Algernon Blackwood, E.F. Benson, and H.R. Wakefield; and anthologies as well, Keller covers the subject in word and image.

Preservation Station/Special Displays: Advice on the care and handling of books and paper as well as demonstrations of simple repair techniques will be offered by Karen Jones at the Preservation Station. Special interest organizations will have displays, demonstrations and answer any questions you may have. Stop by and find out more from the following groups: Guild of Book Workers, Englewood Letterpress Depot, Colorado Calligraphers Guild, Book Arts League, The Telecommunications Group, and The Wild West History Association. Abecedarian Gallery will have a small exhibit of regional contemporary book art. Jim Arner from Wyoming Mercantile will be available to custom-fit mylar covers on purchased books and books brought to the fair specifically for that purpose.

The Rocky Mountain Book & Paper Fair is hosted annually by the **Rocky Mountain Antiquarian Booksellers Association** (“RMABA”). In its 31st year, the Fair has become one of the premier antiquarian book fairs in the Western United States.

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