

## ***Alternate History Booklist***

***Milton in America*** Ackroyd, Peter Date: 1996 John Milton, aging, blind, fleeing the restoration of English monarchy, comes to New England where he soon becomes the leader of the Puritans. Ackroyd has crafted an enjoyable novel that entertains while raising provocative questions - this time about America's founding myths. **Berea Fiction**

***Man in the dark*** Author: Paul Auster Date: 2008 Recovering from a car accident at his daughter's house and haunted by his wife's recent death and the murder of his granddaughter's boyfriend, Titus, August Brill imagines a parallel world in which America is at war with itself. **Berea Fiction**

***The Yiddish Policemen's Union*** By: Chabon, Michael Date: 2007 Winner: Sideways Award for Alternate History 2007 In a world in which Alaska, rather than Israel, has become the homeland for the Jews following World War II, Detective Meyer Landsman and his half-Tlingit partner Berko investigate the death of a heroin-addicted chess prodigy. **Berea/Richmond Fiction**

**1942** Author: Robert Conroy Date: 2009 Winner: Sideways Award for Alternate History 2009 After the attack on Pearl Harbor, the Japanese led by Admiral Nagumo invade and occupy the vulnerable Hawaiian Islands, launching a campaign of terror against the islands, but U.S. Army Captain Jake Novacek and military survivors join forces with guerrillas and the islanders to take back Hawaii and avenge themselves on the Japanese, in a novel of alternate history. **Richmond Fiction**

***Daughter of the Shining Isles*** Author: Cunningham, Elizabeth Date: 2000 **Berea Fiction**

***The Watch*** Author: Danvers, Dennis Date: 2002 In 1921 Russia, a mysterious visitor from the far future appears at the deathbed of Peter Alexeivich Kropotkin, and offers him an extraordinary opportunity: the chance to be reborn. But as the former prince-turned-anarchist begins a new life in 1999 America, he finds his new home a difficult Eden. **Berea Fiction**

***Collaborator*** Author: Davies, Murray Date: 2003 Winner: Sideways Award for Alternate History 2003 December 1940 and England lies under German occupation. In the West Country, Nick Penny comes home after four months as a prisoner of war to act as interpreter to the provincial governor. He finds his father dead, his mother crippled, and his best friend Roy heavily involved in a resistance movement. When war hero Matty Cordington returns to run his father's estate, the three friends are re-united in a common purpose. Life under the occupation becomes a compromise at every level. Harry's sister Joan sleeps with a profiteer to find food for her family. There are leaks in the resistance movement, and Matty's girlfriend is fingered and dispatched. The occupation turns nastier as Hitler invades Russia, with less food and greater demands on the civilian population to labour in the Reich. Britain's Jews are first deported, then the 'Final Solution' is enacted on English soil. But treachery still dogs the resistance and, hunted by the Gestapo and the British police, Harry and his girlfriend Angel desperately race to eliminate the real traitor. The story then escalates to an explosive

climax at the very centre of occupational power. From the author of **The Devil's Handshake**, another enthralling action story unfolds in a nation beleaguered by war. **Berea Fiction**

**Resurrection Day** Author: Dubois, Brendon Date: 1999 Winner: Sideways Award for Alternate History 1999 A chilling tale of intrigue and betrayal in the aftermath of an American nuclear war. Boston, 1972: Ten years after nuclear bombs decimate parts of the U.S. and Russia, a young reporter makes some startling connections about the events that led up to the war. **Berea/Richmond Fiction**

**The Eyre Affair** Author: Fforde, Jasper Date: 2002 Based on an imaginary world where time and reality bend in the most convincing and original way since Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy, *The Eyre Affair* is an endlessly inventive caper unlike any other. **Berea/Richmond Fiction**

**1824: The Arkansas War** Author: Flint, Eric Date: 2006 In this alternative history, during the hotly contested Presidential Election of 1824, Speaker of the House Henry Clay ruthlessly maneuvers events in order to emerge as the new President. Clay launches a war against the Confederacy of the Arkansas—the alliance of Indians, black freedmen, and escaped slaves. **Richmond PBC (General Fiction)**

**A Mankind Witch** Author: Freer, Dave Date: 2005 In an alternate world where magic works, the Holy Roman Empire still rules Europe, and the time of the Renaissance has come with very different results. When a sacred relic is stolen, Signy, the older stepsister to King Vortenbras is accused. Her only partisan, the Corsair-Captain Cair, knows the truth and is determined to rescue her. **Berea Fiction**

**The Severed Wing** Author: Gidron, Martin Date: 2002 Winner: Sideways Award for Alternate History 2002 In the alternate twentieth-century world Gidron conjures, the Treaty of Versailles, which ended World War I--started in 1915 by third-term president Teddy Roosevelt-- didn't lead to the rise of Hitler, World War II, and the Holocaust. Indeed, jet planes and credit cards were not introduced until the late twentieth century, and the U.S. vice president is Susan Sarandon! European anti-Semitism persists, and military actions flare up and die down, so young Janusz Spiegelman flees the Polish draft to America. There he writes for a Yiddish-language daily, and his new lover, Irena, understudies Julia Roberts in *The Sandcastle*. When Irena returns to Greece for her father's funeral, Janusz's world starts disintegrating as places and people--all connected to Judaism--disappear in a hallucinatory scenario that recalls Terry Gilliam's grimly funny futuristic film *Brazil*, about a man falling into the bureaucratic and political cracks. Janusz's fall, however, is into multiple parallel universes as Nazi power grows. **Berea Fiction**

**Carter Beats the Devil** Author: Gold, Glen David Date: 2001 Filled with historical references that evoke the excesses and enthusiasm of postwar, pre-Depression America, *Carter Beats the Devil* is the complex and illuminating story of one man's journey through a magical, and sometimes dangerous world. **Berea Fiction**

**Fatherland** Author: Harris, Robert Date: 1992 Berlin 1964: It has been 20 years since Nazi Germany won World War II, and most good Germans citizens are gearing up for Hitler's 75th birthday celebration. But amidst the preparations, a disillusioned

detective investigates a murder and discovers a conspiracy of astounding terror. **Berea Fiction**

**Black Cross** Author: Iles, Greg Date: 1995 It is 1944. The world awaits the Allied invasion of Europe. Churchill has learned that Nazi scientists have developed Sarin--a new weapon that could turn the tide for Hitler. Two men--a pacifist American doctor and a fanatical Jewish assassin--must embark on a murderous mission into Germany. Their target--a human hell where Jews fuel Hitler's last hope. **Berea Fiction**

**The Calculus of Angels (Age of Unreason, Book 2)** Author: Keyes, J. Gregory Date: 1999 The uncanny adventures of Newton and Franklin continue as sorcery wreaks havoc across eighteenth-century Europe - demolishing London with a hurtling comet, uniting Peter the Great of Russia with Adrienne and beckoning a host of colonial America's famous figures across the ocean on a most extraordinary expedition. **Berea PBC (Fantasy)**

**Elvis and Nixon** Author: Lowry, Jonathan Date: 2001 Equal parts documentary, myth, and hallucination, *Elvis and Nixon* is a fictional two-week road trip through one of the most bizarre history, presided over by two of its greatest icons. **Berea/Richmond Fiction**

**The Light Ages** Author: MacLeod, Ian R. Date: 2003 In this moody work set in a fantastical Age of Industry, Robert Borrowes runs away from Bracebridge, West Yorkshire, only to find that he cannot escape from the magical secrets of his past. **Richmond Fiction**

**The Summer Isles** Author: MacLeod, Ian R. Date: 2003 Winner: Sideways Award for Alternate History 2005 Describes an alternate world in which England lost World War I and became a fascist country. **Berea Fiction**

**Mrs. Einstein** Author: McGrail, Anna Date: 1998 When Albert Einstein was a young man, his wife-to-be gave birth to a daughter, Lieserl, whom they soon gave up for adoption. Beyond this, all knowledge of her is lost to history. A tour-de-force of the literary imagination, this novel of breathtaking audacity constructs Lieserl's fierce quest for revenge. **Berea Fiction**

**The Moon and the Sun** McIntyre, Vonda Date: 1997 In 17th-century France, King Louis XIV manages to obtain a rare sea monster. The king considers the shrieking creature to be the key to immortality, but for Marie-Josephe de la Croix, it is something much more. The mysterious sea animal's gaze and haunting cries foretell a different future--one in which Marie-Josephe will find herself challenging her most fundamental loyalties. **Berea Fiction**

**His majesty's dragon** Author: Novik, Naomi Series: Temeraire, 1 (Mar 2006) When the HMS Reliant captures a French ship and its priceless cargo, an unhatched dragon egg, Captain Will Laurence is swept into an unexpected kinship with an extraordinary creature and joins the elite Aerial Corps as a master of the dragon Temeraire, in which role he must match wits with the powerful dragon-borne forces of Napoleon Bonaparte. **Berea Paperback (General Fiction)**

***The dragon's nine sons: a novel of the Celestial Empire*** Author: Roberson, Chris Date: 2008 Winner: Sideways Award for Alternate History 2008 With Imperial China and Mexica [sic] competing for control of space, a disgraced Chinese naval captain and a commando who knows too much are assigned to a suicide mission, to pilot a salvaged Mexica craft laden with explosive to Xolotl, the asteroid stronghold of their enemies, but when they discover dozens of Chinese prisoners destined as human sacrifices, their mission becomes a rescue one instead. **Berea Fiction**

***The Years of Rice and Salt*** Author: Robinson, Kim Stanley Date: 2002 With the same visionary scope that brought his now-classic Mars trilogy to life, award-winning author Kim Stanley Robinson constructs an alternative history of the last 600 years--a history where the Black Death kills nearly everyone in Europe and where China, India and the nations of Islam control the world. **Berea Fiction**

***The Plot Against America*** Author: Roth, Philip Date: 2004 Winner: Sideways Award for Alternate History 2004 In this alternate history, Pulitzer Prize-winner Roth considers what it would be like for his Newark family--and for a million such families all over the country--during the menacing years of a Charles Lindbergh presidency, when American citizens who happened to be Jews would have every reason to expect the worst. **Berea/Richmond Fiction**

***Hybrids*** Author: Sawyer, Robert J. Date: 2003 In ***Hominids***, Nebula Award-winning author Sawyer introduced a character readers will never forget: Ponter Boddit. Now, Boddit and his homo sapien lover, geneticist Mary Vaughan, are torn between two worlds, struggling to find a way to make their star-crossed relationship work. **Berea Fiction; Richmond PBC (Science Fiction)**

***Merchant Princes, vol. 1-3 Including The Family Trade, The Hidden Family, and The Clan Corporate*** Author: Stross, Charles Date: 2004 Winner: Sideways Award for Alternate History 2006 When she stumbles on a money-laundering scheme, reporter Miriam Beckstein is shocked when she is threatened with death, a situation that turns bizarre when she is transported to a parallel Earth where her family rules a powerful kingdom. **Berea Fiction**

***The Children's War*** Author: Stroyar, J.N. Date: 2001 Winner: Sideways Award for Alternate History 2001 Living in a modern-day Europe under Nazi domination, Peter is arrested for bearing a false identity, escapes a Nazi prison camp, and joins the Underground Home Army, a revolt against the evil of the Nazi political machine. **Berea Fiction**

***My Other Life*** Author: Theroux, Paul Date: 1996 From internationally acclaimed travel writer and novelist Paul Theroux a semi-autobiographical work that spans almost 30 years in the life of Theroux's fictional self, who moves through young bachelorhood in Africa, in and out of marriage, affairs and employment, and between continents. "Among the strongest things Theroux has ever written". "New York Times Book Review". **Berea Fiction**

***Aftershocks*** Author: Turtledove, Harry Date: 2001 Set in the same universe as the Worldwar series, this installment brings us to Earth in the 1960s, where four

superpowers rule: the United States, Russia, Nazi Germany, and the aliens of the Race. **Berea/Richmond Fiction**

***American Empire: Blood and Iron*** Author: Turtledove, Harry Date: 2001  
The first novel in the "American Empire" trilogy picks up where the "Great War" trilogy left off and begins a new epic of the United States and the Confederacy by the acclaimed master of alternate history. **Berea/Richmond Fiction**

***American Empire: The Victorious Opposition*** Author: Turtledove, Harry Date: 2003  
The monumental conclusion to the American Empire trilogy finds the Confederacy racing along the path toward renewed war with the United States. In a drama of spies and traitors, lovers and soldiers, Turtledove has created an unforgettable reimagining of history itself. **Berea/Richmond Fiction**

***Breakthroughs*** Author: Turtledove, Harry Date: 2000  
Hailed by USA Today as "the master of Alternate History", Harry Turtledove has re-created the War to End All Wars--a World War I where the Confederate States of America and the United States of America are on opposite sides, and all the viciousness of modern combat comes to the shores of North America. **Richmond Fiction**

***Colonization: Second Contact*** Author: Turtledove, Harry Date: 1999  
The "master of Alternate History" (PW) offers the first novel in a new series that continues the action of the acclaimed Worldwar saga. The 1960's are a time when humanity must face its greatest challenge: alien colonization of planet Earth. **Berea Fiction**

***Darkness Descending*** Author: Turtledove, Harry Date: 2000  
In the sequel to the acclaimed Into the Darkness, Turtledove returns to a world at war, where the reader sees the conflict from all sides and understands how the death and destruction benefit no one, not even the victors. **Berea Fiction**

***Days of Infamy*** Author: Turtledove, Harry Date: 2004  
Following the December 7, 1941 Japanese assault on U.S. naval forces in Pearl Harbor, Japanese forces invade Hawaii, planning to use the islands' resources to launch an offensive against the western coast of the continental United States. **Berea Fiction**

***End of the Beginning*** Author: Turtledove, Harry Date: 2005  
From a "New York Times" bestselling author--and "the maven of alternate history" ("San Diego Union-Tribune")--comes the thrilling follow-up to Days of Infamy. **Berea Fiction**

***The Great War*** Author: Turtledove, Harry Date: 1998  
The United States sides with Germany, while the Confederate States ally with Britain and France in this alternate history of WWI - the stunning sequel to How Few Remain. **Berea Fiction**

***Jaws of Darkness*** Author: Turtledove, Harry Date: 2003  
Turtledove's masterful saga of a magical world's cataclysmic war, which began with Into the Darkness, has earned accolades from readers and reviewers alike. In this fifth volume of the series, hope may be dawning. The terrible onslaught of the forces of Algarve begins to founder as it runs into Habakkuk: a sorcerous ship of ice. **Berea/Richmond Fiction**

***Ruled Britannia*** Author: Turtledove, Harry Date: 2002 Winner: Sideways Award for Alternate History 2002 The year is 1597. The Spanish invasion was a success. King Phillip holds the English throne captive while Elizabeth I languishes in the Tower of London. And in the streets of that city, a stranger approaches a young playwright named William Shakespeare and makes him an offer that could change the course of history. **Berea/Richmond Fiction**

***Farthing*** Author: Walton, Jo Date: 2006 A stunning "what-if" in the manner of Fatherland and The Plot Against America. **Richmond PBC (Fantasy)**

***Darwinia*** Author: Wilson, Robert Charles Date: 1998 A breathtaking science fiction novel of a very different 20th century - haunted, wonderful, and strange. In 1912, history was changed by the Miracle, when the old world of Europe was replaced by Darwinia, a strange world of nightmarish jungle and antediluvian monsters. **Berea Fiction**