

Seaport Books

Newsletter and Coming Events

September 2020

Exploring in September

Our proximity to the Pacific Ocean, the Olympic Peninsula, the Salish Sea, and the North Cascades also provides us with excellent weather in the month of September for exploring them all.

We would love to share it with you. It's the perfect time to consult the guide books and make a plan, for a picnic, a day trip, a hike, a hill climb or a beach ramble. Do it now. We can help.



You may want to begin with a map:

We have excellent fold out maps of the San Juan Islands, the Olympic Peninsula, and Northwest Washington and Lower BC from Square One Maps in Bellingham. Also in stock is *Washington River Maps & Fishing Guide* and *Washington Road and Recreation Atlas*.

Guide Books include:

Getting to the Water's Edge on Whidbey and Camano Islands, Sound Water Stewards.

The Lighthouse Handbook of the West Coast, Jeremy D'Entrement

100 Classic Hikes: Washington, Craig Romano

Day Hiking the North Cascades, Craig Romano

Best Hikes with Dogs: Western Washington, Dan Nelson

Urban Trails: Seattle, Urban Trails: Everett, Urban Trails: Bellingham, Urban Trails: Kitsap, all by Craig Romano.

Biking Puget Sound, Bill Thorness

Kayaking Puget Sound and the San Juan Islands, Rob Casey.

Hiking Close to Home, Jack Hartt, Maribeth Crandell

If you are not up for an excursion, these books bring the Northwest to you!

William Dietrich writes eloquently about our Pacific Northwest world and reminds us all why we live here. We recommend two:

The North Cascades: Finding Beauty and Renewal in the Wild Nearby, and ***Natural Grace: The Charms, Wonder and Lessons of Pacific Northwest Animals and Plants***.

By the Shore: Explore the Pacific Northwest Coast like a Native, Nancy Blakey, which includes British Columbia. A seasonal guide to our bountiful beaches.

The Salish Sea, Jewel of the Pacific Northwest, Benedict and Gaylor.

Alaska's Inside Passage: Nature, History, Native Culture, Industry, Dale Pihlman, with 500 color photographs. The best we've seen on SE Alaska!

Challenge of the North Cascades, Fred Beckey, memoir. This book is a must have for every mountaineering enthusiast. Beckey spent three decades climbing more peaks than any other North American climber. We are proud to have it in our store. Enjoy it yourself and pass it on as a gift to the best hiker you know!

Of Men and Mountains, William O. Douglas, is a lovely account of the peace and deep solitude people find in the grandeur of nature. We owe much to this capable, generous man who saved many wild areas of our country for us all to experience.

Illustrated Maps and Guide to all Northwest Lighthouses, Oregon, Washington, Alaska, includes history and stories, museum information and addresses. All in a foldout map form. Well worth the \$7.95 bargain price.

News of our Pacific Northwest Authors

The Salmon Sisters: Feasting, Fishing and Living in Alaska by Emma Laukitis and Claire Neaton has arrived and it is great! Beautiful color photography, stories of the Aleutians and 50 salmon recipes, priced at \$24.95!

Murder Unrehearsed is set in a mountain community reminiscent of Lake Chelan. The only witness to a murder is a young woman from Seattle. It is a good story all wrapped up by San Juan Island resident author Roxanne Dunn.

Nature Beyond Solitude: Notes from the Field will be discussed on a Zoom event presented by Skagit Audubon. Dr. John Seibert Farnsworth, author, will discuss his

book and birding experiences on Tuesday, September 8, at 7 pm. Contact Pam Pritzl at pmpritzl@gmail.com for sign up information.

La Conner's Wayne Johnston, author of *North Fork*, has a new book out titled *Home Stretch*, to be released on September 15. Congratulations, Wayne!

Book Group

The **Second Monday Book Group** will meet in the open air of Gilkey Square at **10 AM on Monday, September 14**, to discuss the venerable Australian mystery author Arthur Upfield. We are each reading different books. Please wear a mask and prepare to distance yourself.

New Art Supplies Area at Seaport Books

You will now find coloring books, crayons, felt tip markers, colored pencils, art instruction books, watercolor kits, drawing paper, cartooning supplies and books, notebooks, journals and even puzzles you can make yourself and mail to a friend all in the gift area of the store.

There are also crossword and Sudoku books and activity books for children of all ages. We will be enriching this area with more quality products as we approach the holidays.

We are proud to offer you the beautiful notecards of local photographer, Nancy Crowell, who always captures aspects of our part of the world in the very best way, as she does in this view of our Magic Skagit Valley.

Thank you for your support. We love being your bookstore in La Conner!

We look forward to seeing you soon.



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