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Havana Jul 25 2019 A city of tropical heat, sweat, ramshackle beauty, and its very own cadence—a city that always surprises—Havana is brought to pulsing life by New York Times bestselling author Mark Kurlansky. Award-winning author Mark Kurlansky presents an insider's view of Havana: the elegant, tattered city he has come to know over more than thirty years. Part cultural history, part travelogue, with recipes, historic engravings, photographs, and Kurlansky's own pen-and-ink drawings throughout, Havana celebrates the city's singular music, literature, baseball, and food; its five centuries of outstanding, neglected architecture; and its extraordinary blend of cultures. Like all great cities, Havana has a rich history that informs the vibrant place it is today—from the native Taino to Columbus's landing, from Cuba's status as a U.S. protectorate to Batista's dictatorship and Castro's revolution, from Soviet presence to the welcoming of capitalist tourism. Havana is a place of extremes: a beautifully restored colonial city whose cobblestone streets pass through areas that have not been painted or repaired since long before the revolution. Kurlansky shows Havana through the eyes of Cuban writers, such as Alejo Carpentier and José Martí, and foreigners, including Graham Greene and Hemingway. He introduces us to Cuban baseball and its highly opinionated fans; the city's music scene, alive with the rhythm of Son; its culinary legacy. Through Mark Kurlansky's multilayered and electrifying portrait, the long-elusive city of Havana comes stirring to life.

Cuba and the Fall Feb 21 2022 The literature of Cuba, argues Eduardo González in this new book, takes on quite different features depending on whether one is looking at it from "the inside" or from "the outside," a view that in turn is shaped by official political culture and the authors it sanctions or by those authors and artists who exist outside state policies and cultural politics. González approaches this issue by way of two twentieth-century writers who are central to the canon of gay homoerotic expression and sensibility in Cuban culture: José Lezama Lima (1910–1976) and Reinaldo Arenas (1943–1990). Drawing on the plots and characters in their works, González develops both a story line and a moral tale, revolving around the Christian belief in the fall from grace and the possibility of redemption, that bring the writers into a unique and revealing interaction with one another. The work of Lezama Lima and Arenas is compared with that of fellow Cuban author Virgilio Piñera (1912–1979) and, in a wider context, with the non-Cuban writers John Milton, Nathaniel Hawthorne, William Faulkner, John Ruskin, and James Joyce to show how their themes get replicated in González's selected Cuban fiction. Also woven into this interaction are two contemporary films—*The Devil's Backbone* (2004) and *Pan's Labyrinth* (2007)—whose moral and political themes enhance the ethical values and conflicts of the literary texts. Referring to this eclectic gathering of texts, González charts a cultural course in which Cuba moves beyond the Caribbean and into a latitude uncharted by common words, beyond the tyranny of place.

Jose Lezama Lima, Poet of the Image May 27 2022

Reading Lezama's Paradiso Jun 15 2021 This book focuses on the novel *Paradiso* of Cuban author José Lezama Lima (1910-1976), and in particular on the protagonist José Cemí. It examines the development of Cemí according to the three distinct phases detailed by Lezama: the 'placentario' world of family protection, the awakening to the exterior world and the subsequent friendships made, and the eventual encounters with Oppiano Licario. Cemí's progression, and his growing ability to interpret and create texts, is analysed as analogous to the reader's progression through the novel. In this respect, both the reader and Cemí are obliged to interpret the complex symbolism according to interpretative skills acquired from the text itself. In a similar fashion, the connection between Cemí's 'guide' Licario, and the author Lezama is investigated. By exploring these connections between reader and protagonist, author and character, the author of this work suggests a radical and hitherto unexplored approach to the text of Lezama.

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published in 1983.

The Poetic Fiction of José Lezama Lima Sep 30 2022 Lezama Lima's works undoubtedly form an important and major body of literature, and critical interest in his publications continues to grow. However, his challenging and innovative writings require patient reading if one is to fully enjoy their aesthetic qualities. International fame and recognition did not come to Lezama Lima until late in his career because of the hermetic nature of his works.

Jose Lezama Lima Aug 18 2021 Recognized as one of the most influential Latin American writers of the twentieth century, José Lezama Lima, born in Cuba in 1910, is associated with the Latin American neo-baroque and has influenced several generations of writers in and out of Cuba, including such prominent poets as Severo Sarduy and Néstor Perlongher. Lezama Lima's vision of America in a continental sense stands at the fertile confluence of indigenous, African, and European influences. A crucial experimental writer, he has been known in English chiefly for his novel *Paradiso*, while little of his poetry has been translated. This anthology is a comprehensive introduction to Lezama Lima's poetry. It presents for the first time in English a generous selection of his poems, as well as an interview, essays, and critical work on his poetics. Ernesto Livon-Grosman has selected elegant and precise translations by James Irby, G.J. Racz, Nathaniel Tarn, and Roberto Tejada. His insightful introduction places the poet in the wider context of Cuban and Latin American cultural history.

José Lezama Lima Nov 20 2021

Diarios Oct 08 2020 Los Diarios (I -18-10-1939 a 31-07-1949- y II -12-08-1956 a 16-06-1958) de José Lezama Lima, junto a Cartas a Eloísa y otra correspondencia, constituyen los fragmentos más íntimos de su escritura. En ambos se aprecian las dos grandes pasiones del habanero universal: la amistad y el insaciable apetito por la cultura, no para acumular sino como apropiación estimulante para sus muchas y laberínticas ideaciones. Nada le es ajeno: lo inmediato ni lo lejano. Transcurren por las páginas de los Diarios las anotaciones y relumbrones que, más tarde, se transfigurarían en la encarnadura de su obra poética, ensayística y narrativa. Alerta, Lezama anota el aguijón, la semilla, el mimbre que su mano transforma. María Zambrano supo ver en Lezama la "Araña que rodea a la tierra y teje desde dentro la tela que contiene y envuelve el caos [...] araña que extraña de su propia sustancia el hilo inasible, la intangible memoria que reproduce en los aires el laberinto que hace permisible habitar el lugar justo del guardián de los inferos mirándolos sin desafío con la necesaria fijeza."

Reading Anew Jan 23 2022 The work of the Cuban poet, novelist and thinker José Lezama Lima (Havana, 1910-1976) constitutes one of the most fascinating intellectual projects ever made in Latin America. He is the author of some of the most difficult poems in the Spanish language and of an ambitious theory of poetics, culture and history. Through an analysis of Lezama's strange use of language and the cultural archive, *Reading Anew* shows how the singular verbal experience in Lezama's work constitutes a theoretical reflection about how rhetoric and the imagination shape our conceptions of the world. The book also explores the philosophical, aesthetic and political connotations of this experience, as it traces Lezama's intellectual career and examines the profound connections between his preoccupation with Cuba's history and identity and the more abstract and universalist dimension of his thought.

José Lezama Lima Jul 05 2020

Banquete de imágenes en el centenario de José Lezama Lima Sep 26 2019 En 2010 se cumplieron cien años del nacimiento de una de las figuras centrales de la literatura Hispanoamérica, del siglo XX: José Lezama Lima. Como parte de las celebraciones del aniversario, El Colegio de México, la UNAM y la UAM realizaron en ese entonces un Coloquio Internacional con la participación de distintos especialistas. El libro que el lector tiene en sus manos reúne las ponencias presentadas en ocasión de aquel homenaje. En ellas, se podrá encontrar con una gama muy variada de nuevas aproximaciones a la obra del escritor cubano. Este libro, en fin, aspira a legar una visión múltiple y diversa, un "Banquete de imágenes", sobre los universos literarios del poeta de La Habana. Cátedra Jaime Torres Bodet. Serie Estudios de Lingüística y Literatura LXIV

Queering Cold War Poetry Mar 13 2021 In *Queering Cold War Poetry*, Eric Keenaghan offers queer theory, queer studies, and literary theory a new political and conceptual language for reevaluating past and present high valuations of individualism and security. He examines four Cold War poets from Cuba and the United States - Wallace Stevens, Jose Lezama Lima, Robert Duncan, and Severo Sarduy. These writers, who lived in an era when homosexuals were regarded as outsiders or even security threats, offer critiques of nationalism and liberalism. Through studies of Cuban and U.S. lyric and poetics, *Queering Cold War Poetry* clears the way for imagining what it means to belong to a passionate and compassionate citizenry which celebrates vulnerability, searches for difference in itself and each of its constituent individuals, and identifies less with a nation than with a global community.

José Lezama Lima Dec 30 2019

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The Whole Island Aug 25 2019 Cuba's cultural influence throughout the Western Hemisphere, and especially in the United States, has been disproportionately large for so small a country. This landmark volume is the first comprehensive overview of poetry written over the past sixty years. Presented in a beautiful Spanish-English en face edition, *The Whole Island* makes available the astonishing achievement of a wide range of Cuban poets, including such well-known figures as Nicolás Guillén, José Lezama Lima, and Nancy Morejón, but also poets widely read in Spanish who remain almost unknown to the English-speaking world—among them Fina García Marruz, José Kozer, Raúl Hernández Novás, and Ángel Escobar—and poets born since the Revolution, like Rogelio Saunders, Omar Pérez, Alessandra Molina, and Javier Marimón. The translations, almost all of them new, convey the intensity and beauty of the accompanying Spanish originals. With their work deeply rooted in Cuban culture, many of these poets—both on and off the island—have been at the center of the political and social changes of this tempestuous period. The poems offered here constitute an essential source for understanding the literature and culture of Cuba, its diaspora, and the Caribbean at large, and provide an unparalleled perspective on what it means to be Cuban.

Oppiano Licario Apr 01 2020 Publicada tras la muerte de José Lezama Lima, *Oppiano Licario* es la segunda parte de la polémica novela *Paradiso*. En *Oppiano Licario* el universo narrativo de Lezama rebasa los marcos de la saga familiar y se propone construir lo que *Oppiano*,

el protagonista de esta novela, llama una teleología insular. Aquí José Cemí, Foción, Fronesis, Oppiano e Ynaca Eco Licario buscan un sentido para sus vidas y para la isla de Cuba, poseídos por un portentoso afán de conocimiento. En Oppiano Licario el sistema poético de Lezama alcanza su máximo esplendor, impulsado por la idea de que la poesía y la historia son la redención última en un mundo, que en palabras del autor, ha fracasado en lo esencial político.

Who's Who in Gay and Lesbian History Sep 06 2020 *Who's Who in Gay and Lesbian History: From Antiquity to the Mid-Twentieth Century* is a comprehensive and fascinating survey of the key figures in gay and lesbian history from classical times to the mid-twentieth century. Among those included are: * Classical heroes - Achilles; Aeneas; Ganymede * Literary giants - Sappho; Christopher Marlowe; Arthur Rimbaud; Oscar Wilde * Royalty and politicians - Edward II; King James I; Horace Walpole; Michel de Montaigne. Over the course of some 500 entries, expert contributors provide a complete and vivid picture of gay and lesbian life in the Western world throughout the ages.

In Search of the Sacred Book Feb 09 2021 *In Search of the Sacred Book* studies the artistic incorporation of religious concepts such as prophecy, eternity, and the afterlife in the contemporary Latin American novel. It departs from sociopolitical readings by noting the continued relevance of religion in Latin American life and culture, despite modernity's powerful secularizing influence. Analyzing Jorge Luis Borges's secularized "narrative theology" in his essays and short stories, the book follows the development of the Latin American novel from the early twentieth century until today by examining the attempts of major novelists, from María Luisa Bombal, Alejo Carpentier, and Juan Rulfo, to Julio Cortázar, Gabriel García Márquez, and José Lezama Lima, to "sacralize" the novel by incorporating traits present in the sacred texts of many religions. It concludes with a view of the "desacralization" of the novel by more recent authors, from Elena Poniatowska and Fernando Vallejo to Roberto Bolaño.

Baroque New Worlds Nov 28 2019 *Baroque New Worlds* traces the changing nature of Baroque representation in Europe and the Americas across four centuries, from its seventeenth-century origins as a Catholic and monarchical aesthetic and ideology to its contemporary function as a postcolonial ideology aimed at disrupting entrenched power structures and perceptual categories. Baroque forms are exuberant, ample, dynamic, and porous, and in the regions colonized by Catholic Europe, the Baroque was itself eventually colonized. In the New World, its transplants immediately began to reflect the cultural perspectives and iconographies of the indigenous and African artisans who built and decorated Catholic structures, and Europe's own cultural products were radically altered in turn. Today, under the rubric of the Neobaroque, this transculturated Baroque continues to impel artistic expression in literature, the visual arts, architecture, and popular entertainment worldwide. Since Neobaroque reconstitutions necessarily reference the European Baroque, this volume begins with the reevaluation of the Baroque that evolved in Europe during the late nineteenth century and the early twentieth. Foundational essays by Friedrich Nietzsche, Heinrich Wölfflin, Walter Benjamin, Eugenio d'Ors, René Wellek, and Mario Praz recuperate and redefine the historical Baroque. Their essays lay the groundwork for the revisionist Latin American essays, many of which have not been translated into English until now. Authors including Alejo Carpentier, José Lezama Lima, Severo Sarduy, Édouard Glissant, Haroldo de Campos, and Carlos Fuentes understand the New World Baroque and Neobaroque as decolonizing strategies in Latin America and other postcolonial contexts. This collection moves between art history and literary criticism to provide a rich interdisciplinary discussion of the transcultural forms and functions of the Baroque. Contributors. Dorothy Z. Baker, Walter Benjamin, Christine Buci-Glucksmann, José Pascual Buxó, Leo Cabranes-Grant, Haroldo de Campos, Alejo Carpentier, Irlemar Chiampi, William Childers, Gonzalo Celorio, Eugenio d'Ors, Jorge Ruedas de la Serna, Carlos Fuentes, Édouard Glissant, Roberto González Echevarría, Ángel Guido, Monika Kaup, José Lezama Lima, Friedrich Nietzsche, Mario Praz, Timothy J. Reiss, Alfonso Reyes, Severo Sarduy, Pedro Henríquez Ureña, Maarten van Delden, René Wellek, Christopher Winks, Heinrich Wölfflin, Lois Parkinson Zamora

José LEZAMA LIMA: poète des quatre éléments Nov 08 2020 La poésie du cubain José Lezama Lima (1910-1976), un des plus grands écrivains de langue espagnole du XXe siècle, situe la trame d'un monde imaginaire dont le feu, l'air, l'eau et la terre sont au coeur d'un foisonnement métaphorique baroque et universel. Les quatre éléments jouent des accords différenciés au long d'une gamme harmonique, ils tissent et défont des amitiés et peut alors s'ériger la langue sacrée de la poésie. Une belle introduction à l'oeuvre d'un des plus grands poètes latino-américains du XXe siècle.

José Lezama Lima Aug 06 2020 Apesadumbrado fantasma de nada conjeturales, el nacido dentro de la poesía siente el peso de su irreal, su otra realidad, continuo. Su testimonio del no ser, su testigo del acto inocente de nacer, va saltando de la barca a una concepción del mundo como imagen. La imagen como un absoluto, la imagen que se sabe imagen, la imagen como la última de las historias posibles". JOSÉ LEZAMA LIMA ("Las imágenes posibles") Volver a Lezama para ofrecer esta suma de secretos, destacando esa "palabra extensiva que va lanzando sus redes, comprendiendo la movilidad de punto que vuela que sostiene al obstáculo", como decía el maestro sobre Garcilaso. Hechizados por sus imágenes, mágicas equivalencias y acabados conceptuales, acercamos también la mano para inventar pasiones nuevas (o reproducir las viejas con pareja intensidad). Visión epifánica que recorre el laberinto de la ofuscadora claridad de su destino: ser uno de los más grandes escritores de su siglo, máxima encarnación del verbo poético en sus diversas formas artizadas. (Poesía: cinco letras desconocidas, "las letras que están en el fondo y saltan como peces cuando bebemos agua en el cuenco de la mano"). Comenzar rindiéndole las gracias, reconociéndolo despacio para justificar su renacimiento (prueba irrefutable de la resistencia al tiempo), porque ni "la agonía del convidado clavel/ni el ilusorio círculo de garzas" pudieron silenciar a este configurador de la palabra que llevó la inteligencia a la transparencia, achicando la soledad, superando el pesimismo de las ausencias. Hay que acercarse con astucia, cautela o resguardo porque posee la mirada de las águilas, la chispa de los dioses y ese cambio rápido de humores que caracteriza a La Habana. Es un sobreviviente de la batalla (que es la vida, que fue su obra), testigo de la desmesurada confusión y dinamía enojosa de una época que llenó de pausas y retiramientos su aristocracia discontinua. (GEMA ARETA MARIÓ).

Madness and Irrationality in Spanish and Latin American Literature and Culture Jul 17 2021 This is the first monograph to consider the significance of madness and irrationality in both Spanish and Spanish American literature. It considers various definitions of 'madness' and explores the often contrasting responses, both positive (figural madness as stimulus for literary creativity) and negative (clinical madness representing spiritual confinement and sterility). The concept of national madness is explored with particular reference to

Argentina: while, on the one hand, the country's vast expanses have been seen as conducive to madness, the urban population of Buenos Aires, on the other, appears to be especially dependent on psychoanalytic therapy. The book considers both the work of lesser-known writers such as Nuria Amat, whose personal life is inflected by a form of literary madness, and that of larger literary figures such as José Lezama Lima, whose poetic concepts are suffused with the irrational. The conclusion draws attention to the 'other side' of reason as a source of possible originality in a world dominated by the tenets of logic and conventionalised thinking.

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Gay Cuban Nation Oct 20 2021 With *Gay Cuban Nation*, Emilio Bejel looks at Cuba's markedly homoerotic culture through writings about homosexuality, placing them in the social and political contexts that led up to the Cuban Revolution. By reading against the grain of a wide variety of novels, short stories, autobiographies, newspaper articles, and films, he maps out a fascinating argument about the way in which nationalism and other institutions of power struggle for an authoritative stance on homosexual issues. Through close readings of writers such as José Martí, Ofelia Rodríguez Acosta, Carlos Montenegro, José Lezama Lima, Severo Sarduy, Achy Obejas, Sonia Rivera-Valdés, and Reinaldo Arenas, *Gay Cuban Nation* shows ultimately that the specter of homosexuality is always lurking in the shadows of nationalist discourse.

From Cuba with a Song May 03 2020 Born in eastern Cuba, Sarduy studied at the University of Havana, and, with Guillermo Cabrera Infante, was one of the few writers involved in the fight against Batista. At an early age he was made publisher of the *Lunes de Revolución*, the official organ of the 26th of July Movement. In 1960 he left for Paris. In Paris Sarduy became the editor of the Latin American collection of Editions du Seuil, and became involved with the Tel Quel group. Among the books he introduced to the French were Gabriel Garcia Marquez's *One Hundred Years of Solitude* and Lezama Lima's *Paradiso*. Sarduy himself, meanwhile, published several works including *Escrito sobre un cuerpo* (*Written on a Body*), *Maitreya*, *Colibri*, *La simulacion*, *Overdose*, and *Daiquiri*, a book of poems that uses Baroque prosody to describe gay sex in explicit terms. *De Donde son los cantantes* (*From Cuba with a Song*) was Sarduy's first truly experimental work. Divided into three sections, each corresponding to the ethnic groups that make up Cuban nationality (Spanish, African, and Chinese), the book explores the disparate elements at work in Latin American culture. *Culture, for Sarduy*, is a series of radical and often violent displacements and errors. Transvestitism becomes the common denominator as a symbol of transformation (physical and spiritual) and delusion. As Gonzalez Echevarria observes, "In *De Donde son los cantantes*, the characters look as if they're made up for a carnival that will let loose their deepest and weirdest fantasies. Sarduy's novel exposes the complicity between the novel's conventions and society's patriarchal structure. He denounces the quest for Latin American identity as yet another ideological maneuver by essentially epic novelists who want to strengthen the hold of the mechanisms of authority."

[La posibilidad infinita](#) Jun 23 2019 El lector interesado por la obra del autor cubano podrá acercarse por primera vez al proceso creador del autor de *Paradiso*. Este volumen recoge su Cuaderno de Apuntes inédito, comprendido entre los años 1939-1953, así como otros textos significativos, muchos de ellos enterrados en el archivo de su autor.

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[More Than 10 Concrete Painters](#) Dec 22 2021

[Posible imagen de José Lezama Lima](#) Mar 01 2020

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[The Doorman](#) Jan 29 2020 Arenas's first work set in the United States breaks new ground with the story of a young Cuban refugee who becomes a doorman at a luxury apartment building. Oddly alienated from the tenants, he is seduced by their pets, who are determined to revolt against humans and human society.

[Mi correspondencia con Lezama Lima](#) Jan 11 2021

[Writing of the Formless](#) Apr 25 2022 This book proposes the "formless" as a way of thinking through the impasses of contemporary politics. The writing of the formless, as it can be traced in the work of Lezama Lima and the Cuban Revolution, is the point of departure in thinking through the relationship between politics and time.

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