

# Table of Contents

FROM THE EDITOR	7
MICHAEL DIRDA: AN APPRECIATION AND A REVIEW	9
FICTION & POETRY BOOK REVIEWS	
Pamela Alexander, <i>Slow Fire</i> Reviewed by Deborah Diemont	12
Will Allison, <i>What You Have Left</i> Reviewed by George Cowmeadow Bauman	14
Neil Carpathios, <i>At the Axis of Imponderables</i> Reviewed by Greg Davis	16
Casey Daniels, <i>Don of the Dead: A Pepper     Martin Mystery</i> Reviewed by Alden Waitt	17
Jeff Grundy, <i>Spoken Among the Trees</i> Reviewed by Timothy Riordan	18
Craig Holden, <i>Matala</i> Reviewed by Steve Kaczmarek	20
Katrinka Kittle, <i>The Kindness of Strangers</i> Reviewed by Charlotte Stiverson and Lois Tynan	22
Stanford Luce, translator, <i>The Kip Brothers     by Jules Verne</i> Reviewed by Juliet Williams	23
Cate Marvin, <i>Fragment of the Head of a Queen</i> Reviewed by Rachel Reischling	24
Jerry Roscoe, <i>S-E-X</i> Reviewed by Rachel Reischling	26
Kay Sloan, <i>The Birds are On Fire</i> Reviewed by Deborah Diemont	28
Edmun White, <i>Hotel de Dream</i> Reviewed by Kate Templeton Fox	31
FICTION & POETRY REVIEWS IN BRIEF*	33

## Table of Contents

Lou Allin, <i>Memories are Murder</i>	33
Carrie Bebris, <i>Suspense and Sensibility (Or, First Impressions Revisited)</i>	33
Don Brun, <i>Stuff to Die For</i>	34
Annie Finch, <i>Annie Finch: Greatest Hits 1979-2005</i>	35
Kevin Prufer, <i>Fallen from a Chariot</i>	35
AT THE MUSUEM	37
NONFICTION BOOK REVIEWS	39
Kellie Bean, <i>Post-Backlash Feminism: Women and the Media Since Reagan-Bush</i> Reviewed by Alden Waitt	39
Stephanie Capparell, <i>The Real Pepsi Challenge: The Inspirational Story of Breaking the Color Barrier in American Business</i> Reviewed by Susan Parker Geier	41
John Fulker, <i>Shards, Pellets &amp; Knives, Oh My!</i> Reviewed by Kelly Lohman	43
Kris Holloway, <i>Monique and the Mango Rains</i> Reviewed by Jo Gibson	45
Dennis Kucinich, <i>The Courage to Survive</i> Reviewed by Larry Smith	47
Harvey Pekar, Gary Dumm and Paul Buhle, <i>Students for a Democratic Society: A Graphic History</i> Reviewed by J. Robert Novak	49
Randolph Paul Runyon, <i>Ghostly Parallels: Robert Penn Warren and the Lyric Poetic Sequence</i> Reviewed by Corey E. Andrews	51
Randall Lee Schieber and Robin Smith, <i>Ohio Then &amp; Now</i> Reviewed by Betsy Butler	52

# Table of Contents

Robert Trogdon, <i>The Lousy Racket: Hemingway, Scribners, and the Business of Literature</i> Reviewed by Christine Birdwell	54
NONFICTION REVIEWS IN BRIEF*	57
Alicia Adams and Lisa Wojna, <i>Bathroom Book of Ohio Trivia</i>	57
Wilma Daugherty, <i>Fragments: Stories of Another Time</i>	57
John Kachuba, <i>Ghosthunters</i>	58
Selma Lagerlöf, <i>Memories of Mårbacka</i>	58
Anita Thompson, introduction by Douglas Brinkley, <i>The Gonzo Way: A Celebration of Dr. Hunter S. Thompson</i>	59
Vicki Blum Vigil, <i>Cemeteries of Northeast Ohio: Stones, Symbols &amp; Stories</i>	59
BOOKS RECEIVED, ADULT	61
OHIOANA EVENTS By David Weaver	75
AROUND OHIO	80
BOOK REVIEWS, YOUNG READERS	82
Elizabeth Alexander and Marilyn Nelson, <i>Miss Crandall's School for Young Ladies and Little Misses of Color</i> Reviewed by Mrs. Stiverson's Form IV class at the Columbus School for Girls.	82
Sharon Draper, <i>Fire from the Rock</i> Reviewed by Sharon Schnall	83

## Table of Contents

John Fleischman, <i>Black and White Airmen: Their True Story</i> Reviewed by Pat Williamsen	85
Bart King and his Five Sisters, <i>Big Book of Girl Stuff</i> Reviewed by Martha Shaw and Helen Isaac	86
Sandra Phillipson, illustrated by Jenny Campbell, Reviewed by Leslie Birdwell	87
Cynthia Rylant, <i>Gooseberry Park</i> Reviewed by Barbara Maselkoff	88
Megan Whalen Turner, <i>The King of Attolia</i> Reviewed by Charlotte Stiverson	89

### BOOKS IN BRIEF, YOUNG READERS

Barbara H. Cole, <i>Anna and Natalie</i>	91
Pat Mora, <i>Dona Flor: A Tall Tale about a Giant Woman with a Big Heart</i>	92
Michael J. Rosen, <i>A Drive in the Country</i>	92

### BOOKS RECEIVED, YOUNG READERS

94

### CONTRIBUTOR INFORMATION

97

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

101

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

102

\*Reviews in Brief written by Leslie Birdwell, Greg Davis, Barbara Maselkoff, Rachel Reischling, and Pat Williamsen.