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The Conductress and Other Stories / (Ed) Sambalikagwa Mvona
Malawi Writers Union, Malawi 2013

248p.
9789990891362
\$ 25.00 / PB
318 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169335>

Society and the Arts : Studies in Gender, Literature and Language / (Ed) Brighton
J. Uledi-Kamanga

Kachere Series, Malawi 2014

xiv, 222p.
9789990802597
\$ 25.00 / PB
312 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169337>

The Sensuous Cinema of Wong Kar-wai: Film Poetics and the Aesthetic of
Disturbance / Gary Bettinson

Hong Kong University Press, Hongkong 2014

176p.
20 col.ill.
9789888139293
\$ 59.00 / HB
395 gm.

The widely acclaimed films of Wong Kar-wai are characterized by their sumptuous yet complex visual and sonic style. This study of Wong's filmmaking techniques uses a poetics approach to examine how form, music, narration, characterization, genre, and other artistic elements work together to produce certain effects on audiences. Bettinson argues that Wong's films are permeated by an aesthetic of sensuousness and "disturbance" achieved through techniques such as narrative interruptions, facial masking, opaque cuts, and other complex strategies. The effect is to jolt the viewer out of complete aesthetic absorption. Each of the chapters focuses on a single aspect of Wong's filmmaking. The book also discusses Wong's influence on other filmmakers in Hong Kong and around the world.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169178>

A Tribute to Romantic Visions : 25th Anniversary of Film Workshop / (Ed) Li
Cheuk-to

Hong Kong International Film Festival Office, Hong Kong 2009

244p.
9789889918163

\$ 30.00 / PB

764 gm.

A 33rd Hong Kong International Film Festival Programme
HKIFF Society Catalogue III

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169180>

The 38th Hong Kong International Film Festival 24.3-7.4.2014 /

Hong Kong International Film Festival Office, Hong Kong 2014

320p.

Include Index

9789881840158

\$ 30.00 / PB

650 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169202>

Peter Ho-Sun Chan : My Way / (Ed) Li Cheuk-to, Henry Lee

Joint Publishing (H.K.) Co., Ltd., Hong Kong 2014

272p.

9789620431982

\$ 40.00 / PB

528 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169203>

Filmmaker in Focus : Wai Ka – Fai / (Ed) Li Cheuk-to and Keith Chan

Hong Kong International Film Festival Office, Hong Kong 2011

116p.

9789881840110

\$ 20.00 / PB

268 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169204>

Mala – The Chengdu Bookworm Literary Journal, Volume 2 Issue 1 : March 2011
/ (Ed) Peter Goff

The Bookworm (HK), Hong Kong 2011

ISSN: 2219-7109

\$ 20.00 / PB

442 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169212>

The Mountain Rats : A Collection of Short Stories / Boklim Choi

Seoul Selection USA, Inc., USA 2014

212p.

9781624120305

\$ 15.00 / PB

222 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169177>

A Song Arising From Contemplation, Selected Poems / Danzanravjaa ; Translated
from the Mongolian by Simon Wickhamsmith

Mongolian Academy of Culture and Poetry, Mongolia 2013

126p.; 20cm.

9997322894
\$ 35.00 / PB
155 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169104>

The Study of Mongolian Literature in Tibetan (Compilation) / (Ed.) B. Enkhtuvshin
Institute of Language and Literature, Mongolian Academy of Sciences, Mongolia
2013

225p.; 25cm.
9789996225451
\$ 45.00 / PB
385 gm.

Dedicated to the 13th Seminar of The International Association for Tibetan
Studies(IATS)

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169105>

Nana's Legends of Guahan – Volume II / Dottie Wintterle
Irensia Publications, Guam 2012

70p.
Originally Published in 2001
0971038538
\$ 70.00 / PB
332 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169009>

Nana's Legends of Guahan / Dottie Wintterle
Irensia Publications, Guam 2012

66p.
Originally Published in 1999
\$ 70.00 / PB
314 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169007>

Attitude 13 : A Daughter of Guam's Collection of Short Stories / Tanya Chargualaf
Taimanglo
AuthorHouse, USA 2010

112p.
9781452072418
\$ 29.95 / PB
198 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169006>

An Ocean in a Cup / Stephen Tenorio Jr.
Stephen Tenorio, Guam 2011

227p.; 21cm.
9780615514833, 0615514839
\$ 30.00 / PB
370 gm.

Novel

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169005>

Brothers of the fire Star: A Novel / Douglas Arvidson
CrossTime an Imprint of the Crossquarter Publishing Group, USA 2012
209p.; 23cm.
9781890109912
\$ 24.95 / PB
396 gm.

1. Sailing- Fiction.
2. Survival- Fiction.
3. Spirits- Fiction.
4. Navigation -Fiction.
5. World War, 1939-1945- Fiction.
6. Guam - History- Japanese occupation, 1941-1944 - Fiction.

Summary: When Japanese Soldiers invade the island of Guam at the start of World War II, Thirteen Year Old native Napu and American Joseph, nearly as old, escape in a small sailboat, guided by the " Spirit of the voyage" and learning the secrets of ancient navigators as they go.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=169003>

Legends of Palau, Volume I and Volume II Revised with more Stories and Illustrations / JeRome EseBei Temengil

JeRome EseBei Temengil, Palau 2012

150p.; 22cm.

\$ 35.00 / PB

415 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168945>

Driftwood on Dry Land / T. S. Sungkit, Jr

University of Santo Tomas Publishing House (UST Publishing House), Manila 2013

240p.

9789715067126

\$ 25.00 / PB

384 gm.

1. Historical fiction, Philippines

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168731>

Surges : Outpourings in Haiyan / Yolanda's wake : Literary & Visual Anthology

Rosana B Golez and Joel P Garduce 2013

92p.

9789719590507

\$ 15.00 / PB

292 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168732>

Jonathan Dollimore In Conversation / Jonathan Dollimore and David Jonathan Y. Bayot

De La Salle University Publishing House, Manila 2013

49p.

9789715555869

\$ 12.00 / PB

98 gm.

Critics in Conversation – a DLSU Publishing House Series

1. Literature – History and criticism
2. Structuralism (Literary analysis)
3. Criticism
4. Culture

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168733>

Kenneth Goldsmith in Conversation / Kenneth Goldsmith and Francisco Roman Guevara

De La Salle University Publishing House, Manila 2014

45p.

9789715555968

\$ 12.00 / PB

92 gm.

Critics in Conversation – a DLSU Publishing House Series

1. Criticism
2. Modernism (Literature)
3. Literature – History and criticism

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168734>

Fairground : A Literary Feast / (Ed) Gemino H. Abad and Alma Cruz Miclat
Maningning Miclat Art Foundation, Inc. & Erehwon Center for the Arts 2014

viii. 143p.

9786219504614

\$ 30.00 / HB

482 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168735>

Wonderlust : Stories / Nikki Alfar

Anvil Publishing, Inc, Philippines 2014

xi, 148p.

9789712729775

\$ 15.00 / PB

140 gm.

1. Short stories, Philippine (English)

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168737>

Loose Tongue Poems : 2001 – 2013 / Carlomar Arcangel Daoana

University of Santo Tomas Publishing House (UST Publishing House), Manila 2014

92p.

9789715067294

\$ 15.00 / PB

102 gm.

1. Philippine poetry (English) – 2001-2013
2. Philippine poetry (English) - Collections

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168740>

Blue Babble Gang Green : The Ateneo – La Salle Rivalry / RJ Ledesma

Anvil Publishing, Inc, Philippines 2014

82p.

9789712730207

\$ 12.00 / PB

80 gm.

1. Philippine essays (English)
2. Wit and humor
3. De La Salle Green Archers Men's Senior Basketball Team
4. Ateneo Blue Eagles (Basketball team)

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168743>

Gotita de Dragon and Other Stories / Nick Joaquin
Anvil Publishing, Inc, Philippines 2014
111p.
9789712729546
\$ 19.50 / PB
162 gm.
1. Short stories, Philippine (English)
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168745>

Cherry Blossoms in the Time of Earthquakes and Tsunami / Rey Ventura
Ateneo de Manila University Press, Quezon City 2014
291p.
9789715506809
\$ 34.00 / PB
360 gm.
1. Ventura, Rey
2. Autobiographical memory
3. Literary journeys
4. Stories, plots, etc.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168748>

Lucid Lightning : Poems & Prose / Victor Penaranda
University of Santo Tomas Publishing House (UST Publishing House), Manila 2013
xv, 77p.
9789715067218
\$ 15.00 / PB
120 gm.
1. Philippine poetry (English)
2. Philippine prose literature
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168749>

We Who Cannot Be Daughters / Clarissa V. Militante
University of Santo Tomas Publishing House (UST Publishing House), Manila 2014
179p.
9789715067249
\$ 18.00 / PB
254 gm.
1. Short stories, Philippine (English)
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168751>

Hidden Codex : Fictive Scriptures / Jose Marte A. Abueg
University of Santo Tomas Publishing House (UST Publishing House), Manila 2014
xii, 108p.
9789715067287
\$ 15.00 / PB
170 gm.
1. Philippine poetry (English)
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168753>

Naming the Ruins / Dinah Roma
Vagabond Press 2014

78p.
9781922181152
\$ 18.00 / PB
154 gm.
Poetry
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168758>

The Best of Ladlad : An Anthology of Philippine Gay Writing / (Ed) J. Neil Garcia & Danton Remoto
Anvil Publishing, Inc, Philippines 2014
xxix, 276p.
9789712729744
\$ 31.00 / PB
312 gm.
1. Filipino literature
2. Gay men's writing, Philippine
3. Philippine literature (English)
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168759>

Dream Stories / Melinda Bobis
Anvil Publishing, Inc, Philippines 2014
141p.
9789712730184
\$ 16.25 / PB
162 gm.
Joint Winner for Australia's Steele Rudd Award and the Philippine National Book Award for Fiction
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168762>

Boy in the Platinum Palace and Other Stories / Maria L. M. Fres-Felix
The University of the Philippines Press, Quezon City 2014
ix, 101p.
9789715427463
\$ 10.00 / PB
174 gm.
1. Short stories, Philippine (English)
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168764>

The Fictive Institution : Counterfactual Spaces and the Practice of Reading / Catherine Belsey
De La Salle University Publishing House, Manila 2013
viii, 210p.
Include Index
9789715555739
\$ 19.00 / PB
330 gm.
1. Literature – History and criticism
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168767>

The Postcolonial Perverse : Critiques of Contemporary Philippine Culture, Volume One / J. Neil C. Garcia
The University of the Philippines Press, Quezon City 2014
xix. 232p.

9789715427050 .

\$ 25.00 / PB

374 gm.

1. Philippine poetry – History and criticism

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168774>

The Postcolonial Perverse : Critiques of Contemporary Philippine Culture, Volume Two / J. Neil C. Garcia

The University of the Philippines Press, Quezon City 2014

xix, 228p.

9789715427043 .

\$ 25.00 / PB

366 gm.

1. Philippine literature – History and criticism

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168777>

As the Heart Bones Break / Audrey Chin

Marshall Cavendish Editions, Singapore 2014

363p.

9789814484077

\$ 21.00 / PB

352 gm.

Singapore Literature Prize 2014 Shortlist

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168830>

Landfall Day : Selected Poems / Ng Kwang Cheng(Translated) Yeo Wei Wei

First Fruits Publication, Singapore 2010

xvii. 71p.

9789810854539

\$ 22.00 / PB

174 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168833>

Best of Haresh Sharma /

The Necessary Stage Ltd., Singapore 2014

37p.

9789810900144

\$ 13.00 / PB

124 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168834>

Eclipse / Haresh Sharma

The Necessary Stage Ltd., Singapore 2014

63p.

9789810915346

\$ 13.00 / PB

122 gm.

Drama

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168838>

Lontar : Journal of Southeast Asian Speculative Fiction, -3 / (Ed) Jason Erik Lundberg
Epigram Books, Singapore 2014
116p.
9789814615754
\$ 13.00 / PB
210 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168845>

The Tower : A Novel / Isa Kamari translated by Alfian Sa'at
Epigram Books, Singapore 2013
viii. 146p.
9789810767822
\$ 16.00 / HB
248 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168847>

Standing in the Corner : Poems from a Real Childhood / Lee, Anne Tzu Pheng
Landmark Books Pte Ltd., Singapore 2014
60p.
9789814189521
\$ 18.00 / HB
134 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=165195>

One thousand and one nights / Gwee, Li Sui
Landmark Books Pte Ltd., Singapore 2014
74p.
9789814189538
\$ 18.00 / HB
112 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=165193>

Seasonal Disorders / Impractical Lessons / Tan, Paul Kim Liang.
Landmark Books, Singapore 2014
98p.
9789814189545
\$ 18.00 / PB
142 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=165194>

Bicycle / Cheah Sinann
Epigram Books, Singapore 2014
100p.
9789814615501
\$ 16.00 / PB
238 gm.

1. Friendship – Comic books, strips, etc
2. Courage – Comic books, strips, etc
3. Soldiers – Comic books, strips, etc
4. Children with disabilities – Comic books, strips, etc
5. Singapore – History – Japanese occupation

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168860>

Une Periode Emblematique Du Cinema Turc : Le Cinema de Yesilcam (1948-1971) : Une introduction a l'histoire culturelle du cinema turc / Tunc Yildirim

Les Editions Isis, Turkey 2014

499p.

Include Index

9789754285192

\$ 60.00 / PB

814 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168566>

Butterflies and People / Ustun Dokmen (Ed) Ipek Soran

Remzi Kitabevi, Istanbul 2014

235p.

9789751416377

\$ 30.00 / PB

210 gm.

Novel

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168580>

An Innocent City : Modest Musings on Everyday Istanbul / (Ed) Ian Alden Russell

Yapi Kredi Cultural Activities, Turkey 2014

1v.

9789750829925

\$ 28.00 / PB

138 gm.

This is an exhibition of Stories and Illustrations of the everyday objects of Istanbul.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=168581>

Her infinite Variety and other Stories / Chit, Khin Myo

Parami Bookshop, Yangon 2004

98 p.; ill.; 18cm.

\$ 8.00 / HB

200 gm.

[Contents :

1. Po Tay the Performing Ghost~
 2. Her Infinitive Variety~
 3. The Shinlaung's Father~
 4. Come Live with me~
 5. Marriage, Divorce, Myanmar Style~
 6. The Four Puppets~
- Khin Myo Chit (1915-1999)~
La Grande Dame de la Myanmar Writing.~]

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=58302>

The Hunchback Missionary / Elsa Joubert

Jonathan Ball Publishers, South Africa 2014

304p.;

9781868426324

\$ 33.50 / HB

At a prayer meeting on a cold Rotterdam night, the young clerk Aart Anthonij van der Lingen – a pale, sickly, hunchbacked ‘fish from the North’ – is held in the charismatic Reverend Johannes Kicherer’s thrall. Lured by Kicherer’s passion, he leaves his grey and loveless life to land at the Cape of Good Hope as a lay missionary in 1800.

But when the Missionary Society draws lots to determine where to send the new arrivals, Van der Lingen is sent east and Kicherer north. The hunchback missionary must make his own way in a place that, on the surface, God has forsaken – until, as the pitiless landscape and the blank faces of his would-be congregants strip Van der Lingen incrementally of his pride, he learns that he has nothing to give to the Africa that is ultimately his salvation.

Based on historical figures drawn from the Cape Town Church Archives, *The Hunchback Missionary* is a sweeping narrative of vanity and humility, of the sacred and the profane, of how Europe’s rampant strides across newly colonised Africa led to the abyss from which a continent still struggles, today, to retreat.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=167915>

150 Stories / Nataniël

NB Publishers, South Africa 2014

520p.;

9780798166645

\$ 39.50 / HB

This extensive collection of stories by the inimitable Nataniël will make an ideal Christmas gift for any of his fans! His unique voice and style, his quirky and sharp humour, his empathy for the outcast and outsider, make him an important voice in our society.

The collection includes almost all his stories (English and Afrikaans) from his older books which are now out of print (*Oopmond*, *Rubber*, *Maria Maria*, *Tuesday*, *Kaalkop 2*, *When I was*), as well as 10 new stories.

In a review in Pretoria News of one of his books, Diane de Beer said: “Nataniël has always been a master storyteller, as he creates an extraordinary world filled with lonely people all struggling to find their way.”

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=167918>

Rachel's Blue / Zakes Mda

Kwela Books, Cape Town, South Africa 2014

272p.;

9780795706813

\$ 32.50 / HB

A novel set in southeast Ohio, *Rachel's Blue* explores what happens when a rapist fights for parenting rights over a rape-conceived child.

Weaving together the intimate personal struggles of its characters with the earth-deep worries of a small town, *Rachel's Blue* deftly pulls readers into a close-knit community only to show how suffocating such a community can be. Mda's insights into the hopes and sufferings of human relationships, into the pains of truth telling, and into American culture are as poignant as ever...

But this is not just an American novel. Although it is set in the US, rape is a global issue and one that South Africans are only too aware of. By setting his new novel in the US, Mda allows the reader to move out of a South African space to engage more closely with the struggles of young women in an impoverished community.

An engagement that brings the reader face to face with the reality of what is happening back home.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=167919>

The Keeper / Marguerite Poland

The Penguin Group (SA), South Africa 2014

182p.;

9780143539032

\$ 39.50 / HB

When lighthouse keeper Hannes Harker is posted to a remote island with his young wife, he discovers something long-hidden in the tower that causes him to lose his footing and fall.

Seriously injured, Hannes is evacuated to hospital and nursed back to health by Sister Rika, to whom he haltingly tells the story of his life: of his mother's mysterious death, of his wild young wife, Aletta, and of the desolate island inhabited only by the lighthouse keepers and guano workers – two communities confined together, yet rigidly separated in one of the bleakest places on earth. With the arrival of a figure from Aletta's past, her own secrets erupt into the present, just as the simmering tensions and injustices endured for so long by the guano workers erupt into a single, shocking act of violence.

Written in the exquisite, haunting prose for which Marguerite Poland is renowned, *The Keeper* is the story of two generations of lighthouse keepers – men obsessed by their duty to the light – and the wives who accompany them into a life of frightening isolation.

The Keeper is a novel about the power of secrets, the power of love, and the power of stories.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=167920>

Rusty Bell / Mohlele, Nthikeng

University of Kwazulu Natal Press, South Africa 2014

168p.;

9781869142872

\$ 25.00 / HB

Michael is a respected and haunted South African corporate lawyer – the narrator of this sweeping, intimate and intricate exploration of the plurality and mystery of things: love, grief, fate, lust – but most of all life.

Nthikeng Mohlele once again delves into head-cracking and bruising questions, in this coming-out-of and against-age story; told with humour, beauty and calculated rage. Brimming with delicacy and authorial thunder, this part campus novel, part philosophical epistle, is one man's rebellion against 'life as we know it'. *Rusty Bell* is an appallingly wise examination of the perils of being human – by a writer who knows the beauty and savagery of words.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=167931>

Breathless / Jassy Mackenzie

Umuzi Publishers, South Africa 2014

207p.;

9781415206867

\$ 30.00 / HB

Soon after her marriage, New Yorker Erin Mitchell is en route to Kruger when her vehicle is washed off a flooding bridge. She can thank her lucky stars that Nicholas de Lanoy is there to help her. Until the bridge is repaired, Erin is a reluctant guest on Nicholas's game farm, a fact that she can't share with her possessive new husband. The handsome and wealthy Nicholas is a self-confessed libertine who prefers no-strings affairs to relationships. However, as Erin learns more about him and his troubled past, she realises she is falling – hard. Guilty and torn, she considers giving her marriage a second chance. But letting her go back to an abusive partner is not something Nicholas can allow, given his own history. He's saved Erin's life once – can he now help her save herself?

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=167932>

Karoo Dusk / Johan Vlok Louw

Umuzi Publishers, South Africa 2014

240p.;

9781415206805

\$ 33.50 / HB

Billy's dragon tattoo will attract strange looks in the Karoo town his family now calls home. It's difficult to blend in when your father's the new police colonel and your mother's strung out on pills and wine. Before Billy meets Suzan, who makes him dream in a sideways world, the gangster Ou Joe's roadside brothel provides strange comfort to truckers and curious youths alike. Ou Joe plans to leave a legacy before staging his final showdown with the cancer growing in his belly. After a brutal night, the colonel sets Ou Joe's place in his sights and Billy must take a stand when good and evil are yet to pick sides. In the style of a modern western, Johan Vlok Louw's novel is filled with youth, cars and guns. The book is an uppercut to the chin, its prose as evocative as the Karoo landscape of its setting.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=167933>

Birdseye / Maire Fisher

Umuzi Publishers, South Africa 2014

400p.;

9781415207048

\$ 35.00 / HB

As children growing up at Marchbanks, an imposing mansion built high on a hill above a Cape seaside town, Bird and her five siblings love to hear the story of how their father wooed their mother, but they don't know much about the past of their reclusive grandmother, Ma Bess, who rules Marchbanks from its shadows and keeps her stories firmly locked in her cold heart. When Bird's ten-year-old twin brothers Oliver and Oscar go missing after a day of fishing, Bird appoints herself the family scribe and begins writing to the brothers she refuses to believe are gone for good. The elderly Ma Bess may be the voice in command at Marchbanks, but Bird, the youngest in the family, becomes its all-seeing eye. If Bird learns the truth, though, can life at Marchbanks ever be the same? With humour and pathos, Birdseye contemplates loss, love that endures, and the courage it takes to voice one's truth, no matter the circumstances.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=167934>

The Alibi Club / Jaco van Schalkwyk

Umuzi Publishers, South Africa 2014

192p.;

9781415207178

\$ 33.50 / HB

In 1998 a young South African arrives in Brooklyn, New York. He becomes a bartender at The Alibi, a dive full of blue-collar workers, drug dealers, music lovers and Guinness. At The Alibi, locals play pool and watch Jeopardy! as triple-A-listers from Manhattan eye their neighbourhood's tree-lined avenues and buy up its historical brownstones. Soon soya milk and organic vegetables take up shelf space where cheap cleaning products and anaemic limes used to be. The Alibi is also the place from where its regulars experience the attack on the World Trade Center in 2001, which leaves New York dripping with distrust while terror ripens on its sidewalks. The Alibi Club, Jaco van Schalkwyk's poignant debut novel, is a unique document about a city, a neighbourhood, and the lives of individuals, all changed irrevocably.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=167936>

Tales of the Metric System / Imraan Coovadia

Umuzi Publishers, South Africa 2014

400p.;

9781415207239

\$ 41.75 / HB

From a Natal boarding school in the seventies and Soviet spies in London in the eighties to the 1995 Rugby World Cup and intrigue in the Union Buildings, *Tales of the Metric System* shows how ten days spread across four decades send tidal waves through the lives of ordinary and extraordinary South Africans alike. An unforgettable cast of characters includes Ann, who is trying to protect her husband and son in 1970, and Victor, whose search for a missing document in 1973 will change his life forever. Rock guitarist Yash takes his boy to the beach on Boxing Day in 1979 to meet his revolutionary cousin, while Shanti, his granddaughter, loses her cellphone and falls in love twice on a lucky afternoon in 2010. Playwrights, politicians, philosophers, and thieves, all caught in their individual stories, burst from the pages of Imraan Coovadia's *Tales of the Metric System* as it measures South Africa's modern history in its own remarkable units of imagination.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=167937>

Here and Beyond: 12 Stories / (Ed) Cyril Wong

Ethos Books, Singapore 2014

259p.

9789810779917

\$ 10.00 / PB

260 gm.

1. Short stories, Singapore (English)

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=167930>

Here and Beyond: 12 Stories – A Study Companion / Ian Tan

Ethos Books, Singapore 2014

79p.

9789810917784

\$ 12.00 / PB

200 gm.

1.Short stories, Singaporean (English) – Examination – Study guides

2.Short stories, Singaporean (English) – Problems, exercise, etc

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=167966>

Separation: a history / Christine Chia

Ethos Books, Singapore 2014

87p.

9789810913717

\$ 14.00 / PB

100 gm.

1.Singapore – History – 1963 – 1965 – Poetry

2.Separation (Psychology) – Poetry

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