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The Ottoman Empire was one of the most important non-Western states to survive from medieval to modern times, and played a vital role in European and global history. It continues to affect the peoples of the Middle East, the Balkans and central and western Europe to the present day. This new survey examines the major trends during the latter years of the empire; it pays attention to gender issues and to hotly-debated topics such as the treatment of minorities. In this second edition, Donald Quataert has updated his lively and authoritative text, revised the bibliographies, and included brief biographies of major figures on the Byzantines and the post Ottoman Middle East. This accessible narrative is supported by maps, illustrations and genealogical and chronological tables, which will be of help to students and non-specialists alike. It will appeal to anyone interested in the history of the Middle East.

**Gioachino Rossini** Cambridge  
 University Press

Provides information on opera  
 companies, festivals, conductors,  
 terminology, characters, and more

### **Storia Illustrata delle Crociate**

Infobase Publishing

Sultan Mehmet II, known to his  
 countrymen as 'the Conqueror' and to  
 much of Europe as 'the Terror of the

World,' was once Europe's most feared and powerful ruler. Now, Turkey's most beloved American scholar, John Freely, brings to life this charismatic hero of one of the richest histories in the world.

Mehmet was barely twenty-one when he conquered Byzantine Constantinople, which became Istanbul and the capital of his mighty empire. Mehmet reigned for thirty years, during which time his armies extended the borders of his empire halfway across Asia Minor and as far into Europe as Hungary and Italy. Three popes called for crusades against him as Christian Europe came face to face with a new Muslim empire. Revered by the Turks and seen as a brutal tyrant by the West, Mehmet was a brilliant military leader as well as a renaissance prince. His court housed Persian and Turkish poets, Arab and Greek astronomers, and Italian scholars and artists. In the first biography of Mehmet in thirty years, John Freely vividly illuminates the man behind the myths.

**Péchés de Vieillesse** Timber Press

This collection assesses genre, ethnology, and pilgrimage in a set of disparate travel narratives spanning the medieval to early modern eras. It assesses the possibilities for cultural translation as travelers witness, craft, and imagine desired, fearful, and sacred lands.

From the Fall of the Ancient World to the Age of Decolonisation Cambridge  
 University Press

Europe's boundaries have mainly been shaped by cultural, religious, and political conceptions rather than by geography. This volume of bilingual essays from renowned European scholars outlines the transformation of Europe's boundaries from the fall of the ancient world to the age of decolonization, or the end of the explicit

endeavor to “Europeanize” the world. From the decline of the Roman Empire to the polycentrism of today’s world, the essays span such aspects as the confrontation of Christian Europe with Islam and the changing role of the Mediterranean from “mare nostrum” to a frontier between nations. Scandinavia, eastern Europe and the Atlantic are also analyzed as boundaries in the context of exploration, migratory movements, cultural exchanges, and war. The *Boundaries of Europe*, edited by Pietro Rossi, is the first installment in the ALLEA book series *Discourses on Intellectual Europe*, which seeks to explore the question of an intrinsic or quintessential European identity in light of the rising skepticism towards Europe as an integrated cultural and intellectual region.

**The Mantle Odes** Baskerville Pub

The play is a study of religious fanaticism and self-serving manipulation based on an episode in the traditional biography of Muhammad in which he orders the murder of his critics. Voltaire described the play as "written in opposition to the founder of a false and barbarous sect".

*The Oxford Dictionary of Opera* Oxford ; New York : Oxford University Press

"First English translation of Coriolano Cippico's 'Deeds of Commander Pietro Mocenigo,' presenting an eyewitness account of the Christian-Ottoman confrontation in the latter part of the fifteenth century involving the future Venetian doge's systematic depredation of the western Anatolian shoreline; includes introduction, notes bibliography, index, maps"

*You Can't Read This Book: Censorship in an Age of Freedom* Bel Canto Bully  
The Life and Times of the Legendary Opera Impresario Domenico Barbaja

Tutti i testi relativi alla presente Storia Illustrata delle Crociate sono nel pubblico dominio. Allora viene spontaneo domandarsi: perché comprare il presente eBook? La risposta è semplice. Per trovare questi testi dovrete perdere ore di ricerche e coordinare tutto il materiale in modo logico e sequenziale. Questo lavoro è stato fatto per voi. Inoltre vi è anche del materiale che sul web non trovereste mai come *La Storia della Marina Araba* di Schriftsteller Verschiedene. Sono più di 1200 pagine di testo suddivise in tre parti riccamente illustrate. La prima parte, di 277 pagine, contiene la storia di tutte le crociate con l'iconografia completa della Storia delle Crociate di Gustave Doré (circa 100 immagini, molte con didascalie particolareggiate). La seconda parte, di 407 pagine, con 90 immagini nel testo e fuori testo, contiene la storia delle crociate minori e quelle svolte in Europa, nonché la storia dei principali protagonisti delle crociate. Completa questa seconda parte *La Storia della Marina Araba*. La terza parte, di 667 pagine, contiene la Storia dei Mussulmani di Sicilia di Michele Amari, in quattro libri, e degli accenni alla Letteratura e Filosofia Araba, più alcuni documenti storici. Questa parte è arricchita da 60 immagini nel testo e fuori testo. Per avere idea della vastità dell'opera, unica nel suo genere, si invita a scaricare un estratto in modo da poter prendere visione, dall'indice dell'eBook, degli argomenti trattati.

**A History of Frankish Greece**

**(1204-1566)** Oxford University Press  
A comprehensive name guide is written specifically for Witches, Pagans and anyone who wants factual and in-depth information on a wide variety of names. Features more than 7,000 names derived from assorted cultures and

spiritual traditions, from ancient times to modern, including names from mythology, magical texts, nature and the Bible. Includes pronunciations, guidance in name selection, a glossary, an index by gender and lists of names by theme. Original.

*The Roots of Balkanization* BRILL

This major study is a comprehensive scholarly work on a key moment in the history of Europe, the fall of Constantinople to the Ottoman Turks in 1453. The result of years of research, it presents all available sources along with critical evaluations of these narratives. The authors have consulted texts in all relevant languages, both those that remain only in manuscript and others that have been printed, often in careless and inferior editions. Attention is also given to 'folk history' as it evolved over centuries, producing prominent myths and folktales in Greek, medieval Russian, Italian, and Turkish folklore. Part I, *The Pen*, addresses the complex questions introduced by this myriad of original literature and secondary sources.

#### **Mehmed the Conqueror and His Time**

Narr Francke Attempto Verlag  
Friedman offers new and updated research on the Nusayr - Alaw sect, today a leading group in Syria, covering a variety of aspects and focusing on the Middle Ages. A century after Dussaud's "Histoire et religion des Nosair s" (1900), he reviews the history and religion of the sect in the light of old documents used by orientalists in the nineteenth century, documents that became available in the twentieth century, and later sources of the Nu ayr - Alaw sect published most recently in Lebanon. Also studied in depth for the first time is the question of the identity of the sect through the Alaw -Sunn -Sh triangle.

*The Barber of Seville* Abrams

A reissue of a classic that has been out of print for many years. Friedmann analyses the significance of Shaykh Ahmad Sirhindi in Islamic thought, through a study of his celebrated collection of letters.

*The Life and Times of the Ottoman Grand Vezir Mahmud Pasha Angelovi  (1453-1474)* Indiana University Press

Includes all the operas of Rossini, Donizetti, and Bellini, describing the circumstances of each opera's first performance, discussing the libretto, outlining the plot, and giving an analysis of the music.

*The Deeds of Commander Pietro*

*Mocenigo in Three Books : Introduction, Translation, and Notes* Scarecrow Press

Giochino Rossini: A Research and Information Guide is designed as a tool for those beginning to study the life and works of Gioachino Rossini as well as for those who wish to explore beyond the established biographies and commentaries. The first edition was published in 2001, and represented a survey of some 878 publications relating to the composer's life and works. The second edition is revised and updated to include the more than 150 books and articles written in the field of Rossini studies since then. Contents range from sources published in the early decades of the nineteenth century to works currently in progress. General subject areas include Rossini's biography, historical and analytical studies of his operatic and non-operatic compositions, his personal and professional associations, and the reassessment of his role in the development of nineteenth-century music.

**The Life of Muhammad** Courier Corporation

Winner of the 2007 Otto Kinkeldey Award from the American Musicological

Society and the 2007 Deems Taylor Award from the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers. *Divas and Scholars* is a dazzling and beguiling account of how opera comes to the stage, filled with Philip Gossett's personal experiences of triumphant—and even failed—performances and suffused with his towering and tonic passion for music. Writing as a fan, a musician, and a scholar, Gossett, the world's leading authority on the performance of Italian opera, brings colorfully to life the problems, and occasionally the scandals, that attend the production of some of our most favorite operas. Gossett begins by tracing the social history of nineteenth-century Italian theaters in order to explain the nature of the musical scores from which performers have long worked. He then illuminates the often hidden but crucial negotiations opera scholars and opera conductors and performers: What does it mean to talk about performing from a critical edition? How does one determine what music to perform when multiple versions of an opera exist? What are the implications of omitting passages from an opera in a performance? In addition to vexing questions such as these, Gossett also tackles issues of ornamentation and transposition in vocal style, the matters of translation and adaptation, and even aspects of stage direction and set design. Throughout this extensive and passionate work, Gossett enlivens his history with reports from his own experiences with major opera companies at venues ranging from the Metropolitan and Santa Fe operas to the Rossini Opera Festival at Pesaro. The result is a book that will enthrall both aficionados of Italian opera and newcomers seeking a reliable

introduction to it—in all its incomparable grandeur and timeless allure.

### **The Ottoman Empire, 1700-1922**

HarperCollins UK

The Republic of Moldova claims a European lineage reaching back in time long before its 14th century accession to statehood. In the 15th century, it managed against all odds to avoid being conquered by Islam and—albeit an intermittent vassal after 1485—it maintained its autonomy and was never turned into a province of the Ottoman Empire. After this period, however, Moldova would not be so fortunate, as it altered between Russian, Romanian, and Soviet control until it finally gained its independence in 1991 from the Soviet Union. The A to Z of Moldova, through its chronology, introduction, appendixes, maps, bibliography, and hundreds of cross-referenced dictionary entries on important persons, places, events, and institutions and significant political, economic, social, and cultural aspects, traces the history of this small, but densely populated country, providing a compass for the direction it is heading. *The Barber of Seville; Or, the Useless Precaution (Dodo Press)* University Press of America

From the famous siege of Constantinople in 1453 through the numerous other campaigns that securely established the Ottoman Empire, the events in the life of the emperor Mehmed II are the subject of this classic biography. One of the most important figures in Ottoman history, Mehmed was the architect of victories that inspired fear throughout Europe and contributed to an image of the Turk prevalent in Western art and literature for many years. "Fascinating. . . . From the Western viewpoint, Mehmed was seen as the man who gave the death blow to Byzantium, destroying the

last vestige of the Eastern Roman Empire. Not surprisingly, the Turks regard him as the greatest of all sultans, a figure unparalleled in the history of the world for military prowess, statecraft, patronage of the arts and sciences."-- Robert Kirsch, The Los Angeles Times Book Review "The definitive scholarly biography of the Ottoman emperor who in 1453 conquered Constantinople. . . . Mehmed's career is a study of battle, murder, and sudden death, of brutality, perfidy, and spite, with no moral superiority awardable to either Christians or Muslims."--The New Yorker

Samuel Ramey, American Bass  
University of Chicago Press

Gioachino Rossini was one of the most influential, as well as one of the most industrious and emotionally complex of the great nineteenth-century composers. Between 1810 and 1829, he wrote 39 operas, a body of work, comic and serious, which transformed Italian opera and radically altered the course of opera in France. His retirement from operatic composition in 1829, at the age of 37, was widely assumed to be the act of a talented but lazy man. In reality, political events and a series of debilitating illnesses were the determining factors. After drafting the Stabat Mater in 1832, Rossini wrote no music of consequence for the best part of twenty-five years, before the clouds lifted and he began composing again in Paris in the late 1850s. During this glorious Indian

summer of his career, he wrote 150 songs and solo piano pieces his 'Sins of Old Age' and his final masterpiece, the Petite Messe solennelle. The image of Rossini as a gifted but feckless amateur--the witty, high-spirited bon vivant who dashed off The Barber of Seville in a mere thirteen days--persisted down the years, until the centenary of his death in 1968 inaugurated a process of re-evaluation by scholars, performers, and writers. The original 1985 edition of Richard Osborne's pioneering and widely acclaimed Rossini redefined the life and provided detailed analyses of the complete Rossini oeuvre. Twenty years on, all Rossini's operas have been staged and recorded, a Critical Edition of his works is well advanced, and a scholarly edition of his correspondence, including 250 previously unknown letters from Rossini to his parents, is in progress. Drawing on these past two decades of scholarship and performance, this new edition of Rossini provides the most detailed portrait we have yet had of one of the worlds best-loved and most enigmatic composers.

**Children's Encyclopedia 2007** BRILL

This book studies the life and times of Grand Vezir Mahmud Pasha Angelovic, illuminating aspects of the period of transition of the Balkans and Anatolia from Byzantine to Ottoman rule and the transformation of the Ottoman principality into an empire.

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