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**Frontiers in American Children's Literature** Univ. Press of Mississippi  
Emblus fingby's life was changed forever with the unexpected arrival of the osbick bird. The two became inseparable companions, enjoying card games, musical interludes, and sunset strolls. They took tea together, passed the time making arts and crafts, and perhaps only occasionally had disagreements. Their curious relationship came to an end only with the utmost display of loyalty. Find meaning where you will among the twinkling rhymes and crosshatched lines: Is this tender tale a primer on friendship, or possibly an examination of an artist and his muse? Though short in length, the story is sure to linger long in your imagination.

**Edward Gorey's Dracula Fantagraphics Books**  
Number 13 - lucky for horror fans! This award-winning anthology series has now reached its thirteenth spectacular volume and to mark the event, Steve Jones has chosen only the very best short stories and novellas by today's finest exponents of the horror genre. Contributors to this volume include: Gala Blau, Ramsey Campbell, Dennis Etchison, Charles Grant, Glen Hirshberg, Chico Kidd, Nancy Kilpatrick, Paul J. McAuley, Conrad Williams. Also featuring the most comprehensive overview of the year, a fascinating necrology and a list of useful contacts, this is the one book that all lovers of the supernatural and psychological terror will want on their shelves.

**Born to Be Posthumous** Samuel French, Inc.  
Dark novels, shows, and films targeted toward children and young adults are proliferating wildly. It is even more crucial now to understand the methods by which such texts have traditionally operated and how those methods have been challenged, abandoned, and appropriated. Reading in the Dark fills a gap in criticism devoted to children's popular culture by concentrating on horror, an often-neglected genre. These scholars explore the intersection between horror, popular culture, and children's cultural productions, including picture books, fairy tales, young adult literature, television, and monster movies. Reading in the Dark looks at horror texts for children with deserved respect, weighing the multitude of benefits they can provide for young readers and viewers. Refusing to write off the horror genre as campy, trite, or deforming, these essays instead recognize many of the texts and films categorized as "scary" as among those most widely consumed by children and young adults. In addition, scholars consider how adult horror has been domesticated by children's literature and culture, with authors and screenwriters turning that which was once horrifying into safe, funny, and delightful books and films. Scholars likewise examine the impetus behind such re-envisioning of the adult horror novel or film as something appropriate for the young. The collection investigates both the constructive and the troublesome aspects of scary books, movies, and television shows targeted toward children and young adults. It considers the complex mechanisms by which these texts communicate overt messages and hidden agendas, and it treats as well the readers' experiences of such mechanisms.

**生來已逝的愛德華·高栗：「死小孩」圖文邪教教主的怪奇人生** Pomegranate Communications

**FICTION LIKE A FEVER DREAM** A voyeur becomes the one being watched, terrifying beasts are stitched together, strange new insects appear, ancient sex gods rise, and an island on the brink of madness falls apart. Betty Rocksteady's debut collection blends surrealism and horror, tearing apart tropes as words bleed and transform down unexpected avenues of nightmare logic. These twenty stories run the gamut from splatterpunk to somber. They're hot and wet and nasty, guaranteed to leave you with an unspeakable sense of dread.

**The Natural History of Edward Lear, New Edition** Little Shoppe of Horrors & BearManor Media  
Culled from dozens of interviews, this portrait of the famous artist showcases Gorey's ideas about French symbolist poetry, soap operas, George Balanchine, ballet, and Victorian snuff photography, among other topics.

**Saint Melissa the Mottled** John Wiley & Sons  
The definitive biography of Edward Gorey, the eccentric master of macabre nonsense. From The Gashlycrumb Tines to The Doubtful Guest, Edward Gorey's wickedly funny and deliciously sinister little books have influenced our culture in innumerable ways, from the works of Tim Burton and Neil Gaiman to Lemony Snicket. Some even call him the Grandfather of Goth. But who was this man, who lived with over twenty thousand books and six cats, who roomed with Frank O'Hara at Harvard, and was known--in the late 1940s, no less--to traipse around in full-length fur coats, clanking bracelets, and an Edwardian beard? An eccentric, a gregarious recluse, an enigmatic auteur of whimsically morbid masterpieces, yes--but who was the real Edward Gorey behind the Oscar Wildean pose? He published over a hundred books and illustrated works by Samuel Beckett, T.S. Eliot, Edward Lear, John Updike, Charles Dickens, Hilaire Belloc, Muriel Spark, Bram Stoker, Gilbert & Sullivan, and others. At the same time, he was a deeply complicated and conflicted individual, a man whose art reflected his obsessions with the disquieting and the darkly hilarious. Based on newly uncovered correspondence and interviews with personalities as diverse as John Ashbery, Donald Hall, Lemony Snicket, Neil Gaiman, and Anna Sui, **BORN TO BE POSTHUMOUS** draws back the curtain on the eccentric genius and mysterious life of Edward Gorey.

**Ascending peculiarity** Boom-Books  
An unexpected guest appears one night and perplexes the family with its strange habits

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**The Osbick Bird** JournalStone  
Presents a selection of twenty-one interviews conducted over the course of twenty-five years with the popular American writer and illustrator.

**Amphigorey Again** Pomegranate Communications  
"Published on the occasion of the exhibition Gorey's Worlds, organized by the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art."  
**Elegant Enigmas** Cambridge Scholars Publishing

Most fans of the artist Edward Gorey know him as the author of lavishly drawn, sparely plotted little books in which hapless characters come to unpleasant ends. But if you happened to be in the right place at the right time, you might know him as a dramatist. From Boston's Poets' Theatre to New York's Broadway, and from Bourne to Provincetown on Cape Cod, Edward Gorey applied his distinctive wit to writing and directing plays for actors and puppets--occasionally including himself. This short memoir is an affectionate chronicle of Gorey's theatrical experiments by the friend, neighbor, and artistic collaborator who produced most of them. Illustrated with rare drawings, photographs, script excerpts, film clips, and even music created for Gorey's twenty-odd "entertainments."

**The Curious Sofa** Ascending Peculiarity  
Ascending Peculiarity/Houghton Mifflin

**Queer Ecopedagogies** Pomegranate Communications  
This is a risqué story which follows the adventures of Alice, a society gal, her extremely well-endowed beau, Herbert, and his saucy aunt, Lady Celia. Ogdred Weary is a pseudonym of Edward Gorey.

**Amphigorey** Springer Nature  
Little Shoppe of Horrors #36 I AM THE KING OF MY KIND” The Making of Universal's 1979 Dracula. In 1979, Universal Studios and producer Walter Mirisch, going from the massive success of the revival of Dracula on Broadway, with Frank Langella as the Count, committed themselves to a big budget, opulent, version of both the play and the novel. From that came a beautiful, wonderfully presented and acted Gothic horror-romance. In LITTLE SHOPPE OF HORRORS #36, we present an in-depth study of how the play came about that lead to the film. And a complete production history of the filming. Spearheading this is filmmaker and historian Constantine Nasr, who has gone way above and beyond to assemble a fascinating history of play and movie. He has interviewed: \*\* The Play \*\* - John Wulp (Producer) - Alan Coates (Jonathan Harker) \*\* The Film \*\* - Walter Mirisch (Producer) - John Badham (Director, who has also opened up his personal scrapbooks to us) - W.D. (Rick) Richter (Screenwriter, who let us borrow his hand written scripts and script notes/production meeting with Mirisch and Badham). - Frank Langella (Dracula) - John Bloom (Film Editor) - Ian Lewis (Head of Universal/UK) - Hugh Harlow (Production Manager) - Peter Robb-King (Head Makeup) - Simon Murton (Son of production designer, Peter Murton) - Peter Young (set dresser) - Gil Taylor (Director of Photography-rare archive interview) - Bill Taylor (Assistant to Matte Designer, Albert Whitlock) PLUS – Stand alone interviews with “Trevor Eve” (Jonathan Harker) “Jan Francis” (Mina) “John Williams” (Music Composer) “Contributions from:” Laurent Bouzereau, Bruce G. Hallenbeck, Sam Irvin, Dennis Lynch, Michael Augustine Reed, Gary D. Rhodes, Kevin Shinnick and Markus Wallasvaara.

**The Mammoth Book of Best New Horror 13** Robinson  
Edward Gorey (1925–2000) was a fascinating and prolific author and artist. Of the one hundred

careful and fascinating books that Gorey wrote and illustrated, he rarely revealed their specific inspirations or their meanings. Where did his intriguing ideas come from? In Gorey Secrets: Artistic and Literary Inspirations behind Divers Books by Edward Gorey, Malcolm Whyte utilizes years of thorough research to tell an engrossing, revealing story about Gorey's unique works. Exploring a sampling of Gorey's eclectic writings, from The Beastly Baby and The Iron Tonic to The Curious Sofa and Dracula, Whyte uncovers influences of Herman Melville, Agatha Christie, Edward Lear, the 19th century religious tracts for children, and much more. With an enlightening preface by Gorey collaborator and scholar Peter F. Neumeyer, Gorey Secrets brings important, uncharted insight into the genius of Edward Gorey and is a welcome addition to collections of both the seasoned Gorey reader and those who are just discovering his captivating books.

**Edward Gorey On Stage** Routledge  
**Children's Literature and Intergenerational Relationships: Encounters of the Playful Kind**  
explores ways in which children's literature becomes the object and catalyst of play that brings younger and older generations closer to one another. Providing examples from diverse cultural and historical contexts, this collection argues that children's texts promote intergenerational play through the use of literary devices and graphic formats and that they may prompt joint play practices in the real world. The book offers a distinctive contribution to children's literature scholarship by shifting critical attention away from the difference and conflict between children and adults to the exploration of inter-age interdependencies as equally crucial aspects of human life, presenting a new perspective for all who research and work with children's culture in times of global aging.

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**The Cambridge Companion to 'Dracula'** Farrar, Straus, and Giroux

Explores Gorey's roles as artist, illustrator, writer, and theater designer using criticism of his work and an interview with the artist.

*The Crimson Letter* Seal Press

Drawing from a multitude of reference and his own personal relationship to Gorey, literary heavyweight Alexander Theroux has accomplished an amazing feat of illuminating the real Edward Gorey with ambiguity, wit, fervor and reverence, combined with honest and clear-eyed appraisals of his work. No Gorey fan can be without it. Black-and-white illustrations and photographs throughout.

Amphigorey Also Pomegranate

An offbeat compilation of whimsical and eccentric illustrations by the late Tony Award-winning designer best known for his animated sequences introducing the PBS Mystery! series includes previously uncollected works, as well as two unpublished stories: "The Izzard Book" and "La Malle Saignante." Reprint.

**Ascending Peculiarity** Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

"Edward Lear is well known as the brilliant writer of nonsense poetry, children's books, and travel books who popularized the limerick, and wrote verses such as "The Owl and the Pussycat." But few people are aware that Lear was one of the most talented and accomplished painters of natural history subjects in the nineteenth century, and worked with British scientists, collectors, and publishers to make Britain the nexus for scientific investigation and its circulation. One of the best ornithological artists of his generation, Lear published his first book, a monograph on the parrot family, at age 18, and established a format that would be followed by decades by such publishers as John Gould, with whom he worked closely and often anonymously. Over his career, Lear produced a multitude of drawings of birds and mammals from around the world for scientific publications, public institutions, and individual patrons, not just of English species, but of birds and mammals from Australia, New Zealand, and the Americas. He is also the Lear in the name of the rare species Lear's Macaw. In this book, Peck has assembled the first comprehensive view of this important part of Lear's career. Featuring over 200 illustrations and a foreword by Sir David Attenborough, the book also examines the influence Lear had on modern artists such as Walton Ford and Tony Foster. This new edition includes a new chapter that addresses Lear's continued fascination with wildlife and the natural world after giving up his career as a scientific illustrator, and his fascination with domestic pets, from his own beloved cat which he cartooned repeatedly, to the portraits of dogs owned by his family and friends, alongside thirteen never-before-published illustrations, including fully finished watercolors, rough preliminary sketches, and whimsical cartoons"--