UNITY BOOKS celebrating 30 years of independent bookselling

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Have you run out of things to read by about 11.30 on a Sunday? After all, once you've read the weekend papers – what's next? Never fear, we anticipated this very problem and we have a solution. We're open . . . Sundays 11 - 3. Not as early as Saturdays but who in their right mind gets up and is downtown before 11? It's not a bad day to come in, the parking is slightly better and you have the leisure to enjoy a jolly good browse. So don't despair, help is at hand.

Unity Books 119 Willis St Wellington phone us 04-385 6110 or fax us 04-385 4957

MONDAY - THURSDAY 9AM - 6PM FRIDAY 9AM - 8PM SATURDAY 10AM - 3PM SUNDAY 11AM - 3PM



Miss New Zealand: Selected Poems

Jenny Bornholdt Victoria University Press 27.95

THINK we can claim Jenny as one of ours. Not that we're poets, but that she's a recovering Unity shop girl. This collection is selected from her previous books This Big Face, Moving House, Waiting Shelter and How We Met. There's a poem here for everyone.



Marching On . . .

Sonja Davies Random House 29.95

TOLLOWING on from the bestselling Bread And Roses, Marching On . . . is the next instalment from this influential and significant woman. Beginning in 1980, we learn about the '81 Tour, the machinations of the FOL and the downside of life

See below for details of the launch.

Our 30th birthday celebration went off with a bang. It was a great day a fitting celebration of thirty years in the book business. We had a ball and so did you! The shelves looked distinctly empty on Sunday . . . If you haven't got a copy of our Festschrift, then please stop by and get one.

unity's october events

TRANK McCourt, Pulitzer Prize winning author of Angela's Ashes, will be reading on Tuesday 7 October 5.30pm at Molly Malone's. Be early as demand will be keen . . .

We're very proud to be associated with the launch of Marching On . . . by Sonja Davies. Please join us at Turnbull House Thursday 9 October at 6pm to celebrate.

NDER Review: A Selection from New Zealand Books 1991-1996 edited by Lauris Edmond, Harry Ricketts and Bill Sewell will be launched at Unity Books, Tuesday 14 October at 6pm. Please come and join the party.

LISTENER Womens Book Festival events begin on Saturday 4 October and continue until Sunday 12. While involved with the Festival as a whole, Unity is selling books at Monday's 6pm session at the National Library

"Belonging", where Sia Figiel, author of Where We Once Belonged, will speak.

Also, we'll be at the 6.30pm session on Thursday (also at the National Library) to hear Gail Anderson-Dargatz read from The Cure For Death By Lightning.

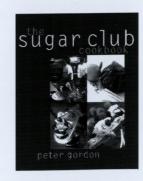
On Sunday 12 October 1 pm, be at the NZ School of Dance, 42 Cable St, to hear dancer Shona Dunlop MacTavish talk about her autobiography Leap of Faith.



A History of New Zealand Architecture

Peter Shaw Hodder Moa Beckett 69.95

the front cover of this eagerly-awaited updated edition and Te Papa and the refurbished Parliament buildings are included in a new chapter. With the photographs of the late Robin Morrison and additional work by Paul McCredie, this is the reference book of NZ architecture.



The Sugar Club Cookbook

Peter Gordon Hodder & Stoughton 59.95

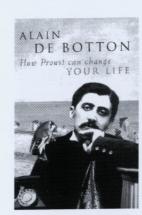
be taking the London eating scene by storm. One of the most famous is a Wanganui lad made good – Peter Gordon. The Sugar Club, a former Wellington favourite, has been reborn in London, the Brits seem to love it too. This is your chance to own the recipes that make it famous. (My cookbook of the year – HM)



The Perfect Storm: A True Story of Man Against the Sea

Sebastian Junger Fourth Estate 39.95

THE 'perfect storm' is a oncein-a-hundred-years meteorological event that is described in this true story of the sea and of the people who sail it. The book is a lyrical evocation of the fearsome force of nature. Yet another piece of great publishing from the people who brought you Longitude and Fermat's Last Theorem.



How Proust Can Change Your Life

Alain de Botton Picador 39.95

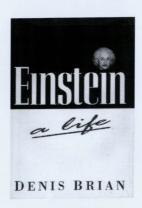
This is a witty and rather tongue-in-cheek 'how to' manual using the work of Proust. De Botton (whose previous books have redefined the concept of the novel) offers us a 'rulebook' for subjects as diverse as love, painting and what to eat for breakfast – as outlined in Proust's work. It leaves The Celestine Prophesy in the dust . . .



The Story of the Night

Colm Toibin Picador 24.95

Argentina is at war with Mrs Thatcher. Richard Garay, half English, half Argentinean, while freelancing with American diplomats, is having his first gay liaison. A heady blend of oil and ethics. Exquisite fiction from everyone's favorite Irish writer.



Einstein: A Life

Denis Brian Wiley 38.95

New information about Einstein's life has recently been made available and Brian draws a broad and authentic portrait of both the public and private sides of Albert Einstein. An in-depth look at one of this century's greats, now available in paperback.