

# Roundtable dest. 2017

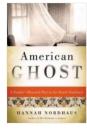
{(usually) meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every other month at 6:30pm at the Greenwood Public Library}

# October's Topic: Hauntings

**Meeting Date:** Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm *Register at <u>www.greenwoodlibrary.us</u> or by emailing <u>sjerger@greenwoodlibrary.us</u>. <i>More info and handout at <u>www.greenwoodlibrary.us/historyroundtable</u>.* 

Read. Watch. Listen. Discuss. Read *any* non-fiction book, watch a documentary, and/or listen to a podcast pertaining to hauntings. Once you've read/watched/listened to the item, attend the roundtable prepared to summarize your source material. Possible resources include (<u>but are not limited to</u>) –

## Books:

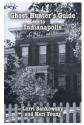


American Ghost: A Family's Haunted Past in the Desert Southwest by Hannah Nordhaus – NONFICTION CURIOSITITES PARANORMAL Nordhaus; <u>eBook & eAudio</u> on hoopla\* Hannah Nordhaus traces the life, death, and unsettled afterlife of her great-great-grandmother Julia, from her childhood in Germany to her years in the American West with her Jewish merchant husband. As she traces the strands of Julia's life, Nordhaus uncovers a larger tale of how a true-life story becomes a ghost story and how difficult it can sometimes be to separate history and myth.



The Apparitionists: A Tale of Phantoms, Fraud, Photography, and the Man Who Captured Lincoln's Ghost by Peter Manseau – NONFICTION CURIOSITITES PARANORMAL Manseau; <u>eBook & eAudio</u> on hoopla\*

A story of faith and fraud in post-Civil War America told through the lens of a photographer who claimed he could capture images of the dead.



#### <u>Ghost Hunter's Guide to Indianapolis</u> by Lorri Sankowsky & Keri Young – NONFICTION CURIOSITITES PARANORMAL Sankowsky Shares reportedly true stories of abosts and hauntings in Indianapolis, Indiana, and describes the

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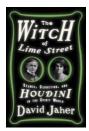
<u>Ghost Hunters: William James and the Search for Scientific Proof of Life After Death</u> by Deborah Blum – NONFICTION CURIOSITIES PARANORMAL Blum; <u>eAudio</u> on hoopla\* Traces how the respected psychologist brother of Henry James announced his belief in the paranormal at the end of the nineteenth century and set out to gather scientific data proving the existence of ghosts, an endeavor for which he formed the American Society for Psychical Research along with contemporaries Richard Hodgson and James Hyslop.



Occult Paris: The Lost Magic of the Belle Époque by Tobias Churton – NONFICTION CURIOSITIES PARANORMAL Churton How fin-de-siècle Paris became the locus for the most intense revival of magical practices and doctrines since the Renaissance.



Varla Ventura's Paranormal Parlor: Ghosts, Séances & Tales of True Hauntings by Varla Ventura – NONFICTION CURIOSITIES PARANORMAL Ventura; <u>eBook</u> on hoopla\* This book showcases a chilling collection of startling ghost stories, as told to the author, as well as legendary ghosts and haunted locations. Also, an overview of the paranormal parlor games that rose to popularity in the Victorian and Edwardian eras is included as well as hidden histories such as the story of Mark Twain's ghost and the quiet horror writings of the architect who started the Gothic Revival movement.



<u>The Witch of Lime Street: Séance, Seduction, and Houdini in the Spirit World</u> by David Jaher – NONFICTION CURIOSITIES PARANORMAL Jaher; <u>eBook & eAudio</u> on Libby/Overdrive\* Recounts how the wife of a Boston surgeon came to embody the national debate over Spiritualism

# Videos:



<u>Gettysburg History & Hauntings with Mark Nesbitt, Vol. II</u> – on hoopla\*

and the rivalry that came from Harry Houdini's quest to unmask charlatans.

More ghostly tales from Ghosts of Gettysburg author, Mark Nesbitt. The stories include the strange happening at the Jennie Wade house as well as the paranormal events that happened during the filming of the movie Gettysburg.



#### Monsters Among Us Series – on Kanopy\*

Monsters. Ghosts. Zombies. From horror movies to Halloween, we see the creatures that go bump in the night everywhere, but where did they come from? The primal fears of our ancestors fueled the stories that lived on through legend, page, and screen. Join us as we peer into the histories of some of the most prevalent creatures in pop culture, including vampires, werewolves, zombies, and

ghosts. Come and meet the Monsters Among Us, if you dare.

## **Podcasts:**



#### The Greenbriar Ghost by Stuff You Missed in History Class

The story of Zona Heaster Shue's death and subsequent appearances to her mother as an apparition are often referred to as the only case in the U.S. when a ghost's testimony convicted a murderer. But of course, there's a lot more to the story.

A Cruise Through History's Ghost Ships by Stuff You Missed in History Class

There have been numerous instances of ships found adrift with no one on board. Four of those nautical mysteries are featured here, with some truly chilling details.