Philadelphia Art Book Fair is the perfect way to spruce up your bookshelf

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Philadelphia Art Book Fair at Twelve 27 in Kensington.

Art books for everyone

Don't you think your bookshelf deserves a little zazz this spring?

The Philadelphia Photo Arts Center and the Print Center team up this weekend to present Philadelphia Art Book Fair, showcasing art books from all genres and styles of art and photography you can think of. Vendors come from right here in Philly and beyond - some from as far away as the U.K. to show off their work.

And it won't be just publishers. Zines, artists, and institutions will set up shop, so that means you'll get to see work from all kinds of places - from Chinatown's Space 1026 collective to the Philadelphia Museum of Art to U.K. photo publisher MACK and more.

Both days will feature artist signings to give your newly discovered treasure that personal stamp. We're particular fans of Jeffrey Stockbridge, who will sign from 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday. His Kensington Blues project captures the Philadelphia neighborhood, imbuing it with a beauty and humanity we don't often associate with the area.

- Molly Eichel
Philadelphia Art Book Fair 2017, noon-8 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, at Twelve 27, 1227 N. Fourth St., phlartbookfair@gmail.com, www.phlartbookfair.com.

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