

The Gravy Infusion

News, activities, and doings from the Loyal Jones Appalachian Center

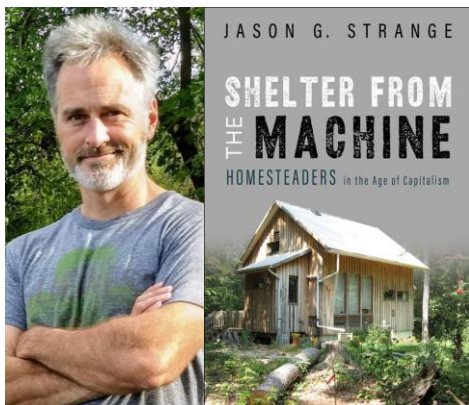


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Main Sharing

Exciting New Books by Berean Authors

Shelter from the Machine by Jason Strange



Jason Strange, Berea College Assistant Professor of Peace and Social Justice at Berea College, writes about the challenges and rewards contemporary homesteaders face in the age of capitalism. His research explores the complexities of this lifestyle of people seeking refuge from the ills of modern society.

Katherine Jackson French by Elizabeth DiSavino



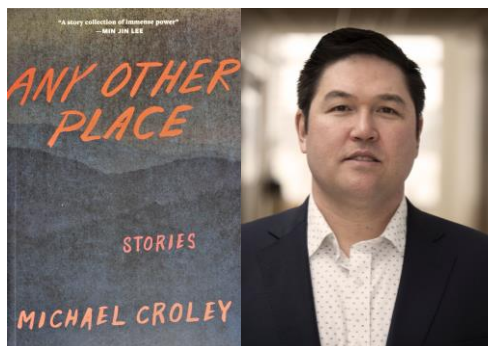
Elizabeth DiSavino, Associate Professor of Music at Berea College, writes about Kentucky scholar Katherine Jackson French and her 1910 collection of Kentucky ballads that, had it not been overlooked, could have completely reshaped conceptions about Appalachia today. To read an interview with DiSavino about the book, click [here](#).

“Every Person is able to add beauty, whether by growing flowers, or singing, or cooking luscious meals, or raising sweet pets. Every part of life can be art.”

~ Cynthia Rylant

Weatherford Award Winners of 2020

This year commemorates our 50th Anniversary of the [Weatherford Award](#)! 50 years of celebrating books and authors that best illuminate the challenges, personalities, and unique qualities of the Appalachian South. Normally we recognize our winners at the Appalachian Studies Association's annual conference, but this year the conference was cancelled due to COVID-19. Since we are unable to do so in person, please join us in congratulating this year's winners Michael Croley, Rose McLarney, and Meredith McCarroll and Anthony Harkins.

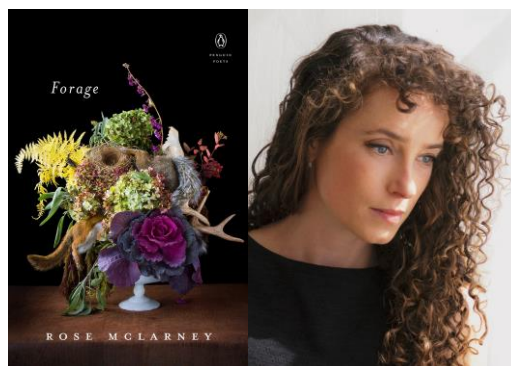


Fiction

Author: Michael Croley

Book: [Any Other Place](#)

Runners-Up: *Sugar Run* by Mesha Maren and *Ash Family* by Molly Dektar



Poetry

Author: Rose McLarney

Book: [Forage](#)

Runners-Up: *Railsplitter* by Maurice Manning and *Bootleg* by Annie Woodford



Non-Fiction

Editors: Meredith McCarroll and Anthony Harkins

Book: [Appalachian Reckoning: A Region Responds](#)

Runners-Up: *Black Huntington* by Cicero M. Fain III and *The Food We Eat, the Stories We Tell* by Elizabeth S. D. Engelhardt with Lora E. Smith

The Loyal Jones Appalachian Center explores and illuminates, for all people, the richness of the Appalachian region, people, and cultures by promoting scholarship and creative work that benefits the Appalachian region.