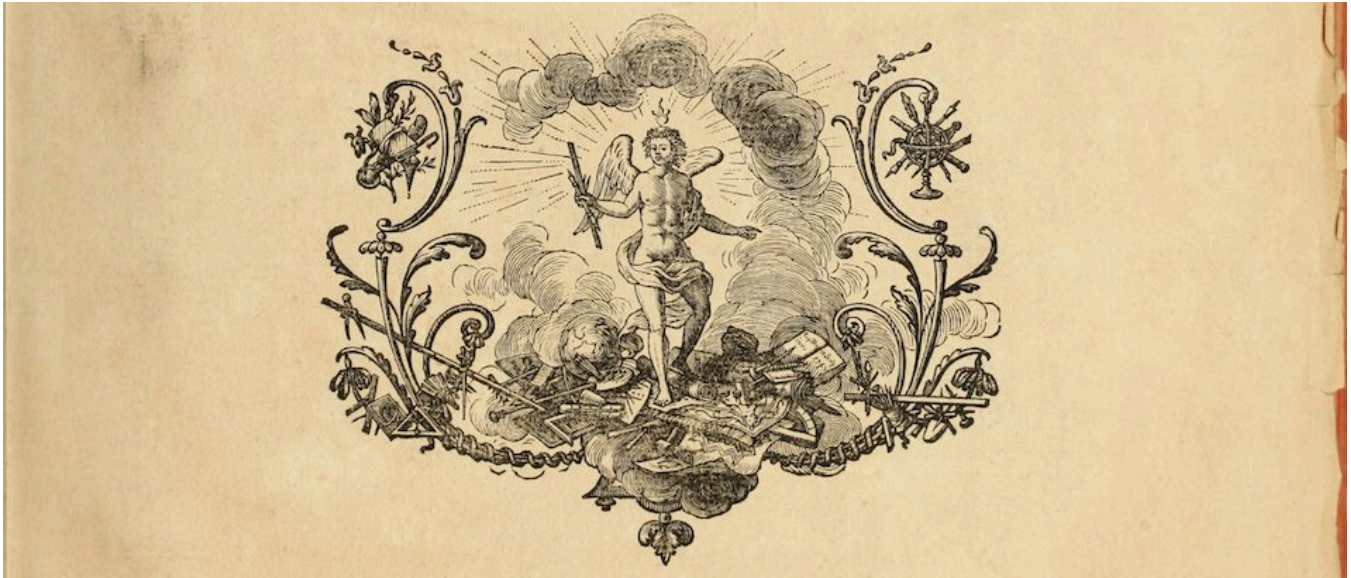


## ENLIGHTENMENT ~ *Further Reading*



*Illustration from the frontispiece to the French Encyclopédie, c. 1751-72*

### **The Age of Enlightenment (overviews & introductions)**

Print:

- The Portable Enlightenment Reader* by Isaac Kramnick
- Rousseau's Dog: Two Great Thinkers at War in the Age of Enlightenment* by David Edmonds
- The Roads to Modernity: The British, French, and American Enlightenment* by Gertrude Himmelfarb
- Crowded with Genius: The Scottish Enlightenment: Edinburgh's Moment of the Mind* by James Buchan
- The Dark Side of the Enlightenment: Wizards, Alchemists & Spiritual Seekers in the Age of Reason* by John Fleming

### **Bluestockings, Incurables & the Age of the Salon**

Print:

- The Age of Conversation*, by Benedetta Craveri
- The Republic of Letters: A Cultural History of the French Enlightenment* by Dena Goodman
- Bluestockings: Women of Reason from Enlightenment to Romanticism* by Elizabeth Eger
- Madame Du Deffand and World* by Benedetta Craveri

### **Bodhi svāhā! Eastern “Enlightenment” as Subversive Challenge**

Print:

- Tantra Illuminated: The Philosophy, History, and Practice of a Timeless Tradition* by Christopher D. Wallis
- Consciousness is Everything: The Yoga of Kashmir Shaivism* by Shankarānanda
- The Life of the Buddha: According to the Pali Canon* by Bhikkhu Bodhi
- The End of Your World: Uncensored Straight Talk on the Nature of Enlightenment* by Adyashanti
- The Book: On the Taboo Against Knowing Who You Are* by Alan Watts
- Spiritual Enlightenment, the Damnedest Thing* by Jed McKenna
- Gateless Gatecrashers* by Ilona Ciunaite and Elena Nezhinsky

### **Coffee to Print: The Beans That Gave us Papers**

Print:

- A History of the World in 6 Glasses* by Tom Standage
- Uncommon Grounds: The History of Coffee and How It Transformed Our World* by Mark Pendergast

*Coffee: A Dark History* by Anthony Wild  
*The Devil's Cup: A History of the World According to Coffee* by Steward Lee Allen  
*The Social Life of Coffee: The Emergence of the British Coffeehouse* by Brian Cowan

## **The Book of Everything**

Print:

*Diderot and the Encyclopædists, Volume II* by John Morley  
*Enlightening the World: Encyclopedie, The Book That Changed the Course of History* by Philipp Blom  
*Memorable Quotations from Denis Diderot* compiled and edited by Jim Dell  
*Hatching Twitter: A True Story of Money, Power, Friendship, and Betrayal* by Nick Bilton  
*The Wikipedia Revolution: How a Bunch of Nobodies Created the World's Greatest Encyclopedia* by Andrew Lih

## **Mary Wollstonecraft: Mother of Feminism, Grandmother of Frankenstein**

Print:

*A Vindication of the Rights of Woman with Strictures on Moral and Political Subjects* by Mary Wollstonecraft, 1792.  
*Thoughts on the Education of Daughters: With Reflections on Female Conduct, in the More Important Duties of Life* by Mary Wollstonecraft, 1787.  
*Memoirs of the Author of a Vindication of the Rights of Woman*, Biography of Mary Wollstonecraft by William Godwin, 1798  
*Vindication: A Life of Mary Wollstonecraft* Lyndall Gordon  
*Mary Wollstonecraft: Mother of Women's Rights* by Miriam Brody  
*Maria: or, The Wrongs of Woman* by Mary Wollstonecraft

## **Experimental Science & the Rise of Societies**

Print:

*Ingenious Pursuits: Building the Scientific Revolution* by Lisa Jardine  
*The Clockwork Universe: Isaac Newton, The Royal Society, and the Birth of the Modern World* by Edward Dolnick  
*The Lunar Men: Five Friends Whose Curiosity Changed the World* by Jenny Uglow  
*Baroque Cycle Series* by Neal Stephenson (fiction)

## **Voltaire & the Rise of Snark**

Print:

*France in Modern Times* by Gordon Wright  
*Western Civilizations: Their History and Their Culture* (Brief Third Edition) (Vol. 2) Joshua Cole, Carol Symes, Judith Coffin, Robert Stacey  
*Candide: Or Optimism* by Francois Voltaire  
*The Portable Voltaire* edited by Ben Bay Redman  
*Passionate Minds: Emilie du Chatelet, Voltaire, and the Great Love Affair of the Enlightenment* by David Bodanis

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