ATHENÆUM BOOKSHELF

October 2014
(Books purchased for April 2014)

FEATURED SELECTIONS

THE MAP THIEF MICHAEL BLANDING+

A look at once-respected antiquarian map dealer E. Forbes Smiley III, who became a brazen thief, stealing millions of dollars' worth of maps from unsuspecting libraries around the globe.

300 p., ill.

ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

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MARJA MILLS+

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UPDIKE ADAM BEGLEY

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