



Books and Mud

The Drowned
Libraries
of Florence

IN 1966, FLORENCE'S ARNO RIVER overflowed its banks. Art and books stored in library and museum cellars steeped for days in water, mud, and sewage. In an unprecedented international effort, volunteers from Florence and around the world converged on the city to rescue these treasures. 50 years later, their work matters more than ever.

An Exhibition at the
American Bookbinders Museum

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