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Renovating the Vatican Library and a bird's-eye view of life highlight the latest issue of Choice Magazine Listening

Port Washington, NY – An article about the renovation of the Vatican Library and an author's masterpiece of observed bird life at her Wyoming ranch highlight the current issue of Choice Magazine Listening.

Choice Magazine Listening compiles the finest literary efforts to be found in current magazines as selected by a team of professional editors. The articles are then recorded by talented narrators and distributed free of charge to the visually impaired and print-disabled. For nearly 50 years, CML editors have shown a knack for choosing articles, stories, and poems that have gone on to win many literary awards.

"God's Librarians" by Daniel Mendelsohn, which appeared in the January 3 issue of *The New Yorker*, describes the fascinating history of the Vatican Library and the challenging project of cataloging its vast collection of materials, some of which goes back to the mid-15th century.

"We fell in love with this lively and well-written take on the Vatican Library, perhaps because of our connection with literature and reading," said Pamela Loeser, editor in chief of Choice Magazine Listening. "As one scholar who was quoted said, 'There is no other library in the world.'"

Another selection, "A Year of Birds," places the reader alongside writer Annie Proulx for a day-to-day, month-to-month wildlife viewing as she observes life unfolding over the course of a year. The article was originally published in the December 2010 issue of *Harper's*.

The remainder of Choice Magazine Listening's Spring issue is filled with compelling selections from *Condé Nast Traveler*, *Smithsonian*, *Sports Illustrated*, *New York Times Magazine*, *American Heritage*, *Esquire*, and many other outstanding publications.

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