

GETTING STARTED: A MEDICAL HUMANITIES READING LIST

POETRY ANTHOLOGIES

Articulations: The Body and Illness in Poetry Jon Mukand, ed.
Uncharted Lines: Poems from JAMA Charlene Breedlove, ed.
Blood & bone: Poems by Physicians Angela Belli and Jack Coulehan, eds.
The Naked Physician: Poems about the Lives of Patients and Doctors Ron Charach, ed.

SHORT STORY/ESSAY ANTHOLOGIES

The Doctor Stories William Carlos Williams
The Doctor Stories Richard Selzer
Vital Lines: Contemporary Fiction about Medicine Jon Mukand, ed.
The Good Doctor Susan Mates
On Doctoring Richard Reynolds and John Stone, eds.
A Piece of My Mind Bruce Dan and Roxanne Young, eds.
The Blood of Strangers Frank Huyler
Life, Death, and In Between Harold Klawans

BOOKS BY DOCTORS ABOUT DOCTORING AND BECOMING A DOCTOR

A Not Entirely Benign Procedure Perri Klass
Baby Doctor Perri Klass
Battles of Life and Death David Hellerstein
The Intern Blues Robert Marion
When a Doctor Hates a Patient Richard and Enid Peschel
Not All of Us Are Saints David Hilfiker
On the Ledge Neil Skolnik
A Fortunate Man John Berger

NONFICTION WORKS

The Wounded Storyteller Arthur Franks
The Illness Narratives Arthur Kleinman (old but still very good)
Stories of Sickness Howard Brody
The Healer's Art Eric Cassell
Empathy and the Practice of Medicine Howard Spiro, Mary McCrea Curnen, Enid Peschel, Deborah St. James, eds.

Specific readings on AIDS, cancer, heart, disease, disability, alcoholism, mental illness
available on request

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