

UTAH HUMANITIES BOOK FESTIVAL PROGRAM 2024

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BOOK FESTIVAL PROGRAM

LOGAN & BRIGHAM CITY OCTOBER 2-7

Brigham City Speed Date and Book Author Panel
Brigham City Public Library
10/1/2024 7:00pm
Adult Fiction, YA/MG Fiction, Nonfiction/Memoir,
Mystery/Thriller, Romance

Speed Date with a Book (Authors include: Kathy Rochell, Marie Higgins, Mary Martinez, Sara Fitzgerald, Stacey Haynes, Alysia S. Knight)

Reading: Brewer Festival of Writing featuring
Lindsey Drager at Utah State University
Merrill-Cazier Library, Room 101
10/3/2024 12:00pm
Adult Fiction

Author Lindsey Drager will read from her new book, *The Avian Hourglass*, and participate in an audience Q&A.

Panel discussion: The Work of Art with Lindsay
Drager, Antra Sinha, and Terry Powers
Merrill-Cazier Library, Room 101
10/3/2024 1:30pm
Art, Fiction, all genres

Author Lindsey Drager, ceramicist Antra Sinha, and painter Terry Powers will participate in a lively discussion about the labor that goes into their craft.

Fear & Nature with Aurora Durfee at Logan Library,
with Stokes Nature Center
Logan Library
10/3/2024 7:00pm
Folklore, Fiction, Children's

Fear and Nature is part of Stokes Nature Center and Logan Library's ongoing program on Emotions & Nature. Speaker Aurora Durfee will discuss how folklore weaves together fear with nature.

NatureTales at Stokes Nature Center
Stokes Nature Center
10/4/2024 11:00am
Children's Literature

Our Nature Tales this week will be about a story related to fall and the oncoming winter.

Art for all ages! Puppet Making with Therese Berry and
Sarah May at Stokes Nature Center
Stokes Nature Center
10/5/2024 10:00am
Art, Environmental

Poetry reading celebrating the publication of "irreplaceable," a polyphonic praise poem for Great Salt Lake. Readers include Star Coulbrooke, Darren Parry, Jaimi Butler, Sarah Ann Woodbury, and Sarah May

Poetry Reading Celebrating the release of
'irreplaceable'
Stokes Nature Center
10/5/2024 :00pm
Poetry, Environmental, book-making

Poetry reading celebrating the publication of "irreplaceable," a polyphonic praise poem for Great Salt Lake. Readers include Star Coulbrooke, Darren Parry, Jaimi Butler, Sarah Ann Woodbury, and Sarah May.

Brigham City Library Hosts Jennifer Nielsen
Brigham City Public Library
10/7/2024 7:00pm
YA/MG Fiction, Fiction

Join author Jennifer Nielsen at the Brigham City Library!



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Helicon West with Shanan Ballam
Logan Library
10/10/2024 7:00pm
Poetry

Join poet and Logan City Poet Laureate Shanan Ballam at Helicon West

Clint Stoker, 100 Loyal Readers: Building a Fanbase for Authors at The Brigham City Library
Brigham City Public Library
10/22/2024 7:00pm
Publishing, Marketing, Fiction, Graphic Novel/Comic Book

Join Clint Stoker to learn how to build a great fan base for your work!

Todd Hugie: "Unveiling Secrets: Inside House Down Dirt Lane" at the Brigham City Library
Brigham City Library
10/29/2024 7:00pm
Publishing, Marketing, Mystery/Thriller, Adult Fiction

Join us for an electrifying evening with Todd Hugie, author of the gripping suspense novel House Down Dirt Lane. Todd Hugie will delve into the creation of this captivating story, exploring the blend of real-life events, political intrigue, and the unseen forces that drive the narrative. Discover the inspiration behind the characters, the challenges of weaving fact with fiction, and the process of building suspense that keeps readers on the edge of their seats. Whether you're a fan of thrillers, interested in the writing process, or simply love a good story, this event promises an unforgettable experience.



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WEBER COUNTY OCTOBER 5-12

Utah Humanities and Ogden Poet Laureate Booth
North Fork Park, Eden
10/5/2024 6am-5pm
Poetry, Environmental

Utah Humanities will host an information booth at The NUT on Saturday 10/5. Come by for free books and to chat with the UH Crew.

The NUT Sunrise Poetry and Writing Hike
North Fork Park, Eden
10/5/2024 7:00am-8am
Poetry, Environmental

Ogden Poet Laureate, along with other writers and GOAL staff, will lead a poetry and writing walk along the trails of North Fork Park at a 7am sunrise walk.

The NUT Sunset Poetry and Writing Hike
North Fork Park, Eden
10/5/2024 6:00pm-7pm
Environmental, community building

Ogden Poet Laureate, along with other writers and GOAL staff, will lead a poetry and writing walk along the trails of North Fork Park at a 6pm sunset walk.

Railtown Reading w/ Ron Shaver and Sadie Hoagland
Weber County Library, Main Branch, Ogden
10/8/2024 7:00pm-9:00pm
Poetry, Fiction, Nonfiction/Memoir

The Railtown Reading Series will host authors Ron Shaver and Sadie Hoagland at the Weber County Main Library.

Poetry Slam and Open Mic hosted by Happy Magpie and Ogden Poet Laureate Angelika Brewer
Happy Magpie Book and Quill, Ogden
10/9/2024 6:00pm-8pm
Poetry

Ogden Poet Laureate Angelika Brewer will host a poetry slam contest, followed by an open mic at Happy Magpie Book and Quill.

Speak Easy Reading
Unspoken Bar, Ogden
10/10/2024 6:30pm
Poetry, music, art

The Ogdenite, Deann Armes and Ogden Poet Laureate, Angelika Brewer, host Speak-Easy 2.0: A Poetry & Mixed Media Showcase at the Unspoken Bar on 25th Street.

Tales at The Treehouse Seminar
The Treehouse Museum, Ogden
10/11/2024 9:00am-5pm
YA, YA/MG Fiction, Children's

Planned for teachers, librarians, and aspiring authors (ages 11 and up) each guest author will talk about their work in sessions at the Treehouse Storybook Theater. Participants will also enjoy a boxed lunch with our guests.



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**The Book that Changed Me and
Love Letters to Books
Happy Magpie Book and Quill, Ogden
10/11/2024 6:00pm-7pm
All genres, community building**

Award-winning poet Sunni Brown Wilkinson will lead a group discussion about the books that change us. Come prepared to share yours!

**Happy Magpie Book and Quill host
Poet James Crews
Happy Magpie Book and Quill, Ogden
10/11/2024 7:30pm-8:30pm
Inspirational, Poetry**

As a professional speaker, reader, and workshop leader, James Crews has touched audiences all over the world with his message of healing and hope through the power of writing.

**Music by the Snarling Yarns
Happy Magpie Book and Quill, Ogden
10/11/2024 9:00pm
Music**

Come listen to the amazing Snarlin' Yarns.

**Tales at The Treehouse Festival
The Treehouse Museum, Ogden
10/12/2024 10:00am-4:30pm
YA/MG Fiction, Children's**

Families are invited to meet the six guest authors and hear them read a selection from one of many published books. There will be six activities throughout the Museum based on one of the books of each author -- and so much more!

**James Crews Q&A and Discussion
Happy Magpie Book and Quill, Ogden
10/12/2024 5:00pm-6pm
Inspirational, Poetry**

As a professional speaker, reader, and workshop leader, James Crews has touched audiences all over the world with his message of healing and hope through the power of writing.

**Reception at Happy Magpie Book and Quill
Happy Magpie Book and Quill, Ogden
10/12/2024 6:00pm-7pm
Conversation and Wine**

Join us for drinks and conversation.

**Literary Death Match
Happy Magpie Book and Quill, Ogden,
10/12/2024 7:00pm
Poetry, Comedy**

Join host Adrian Todd Zuniga for his fourth Ogden, Utah event in five years. If you know, you know!



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Reception
Happy Magpie Book and Quill, Ogden
10/12/2024 8:30pm
Conversation & Wine

Join us for drinks and conversation as we cool down from Literary Death Match and gear up for Mother Lights.

Music by Mother Lights
Happy Magpie Book and Quill, Ogden
10/12/2024 9:00pm
Music

Come finish out the week with Mother Lights!





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SOUTHEAST UTAH & MOAB OCTOBER 10-12

Chris Cokinos Reading and Star Gazing at Grand County Public Library with Back of Beyond Books
Grand County Public Library
10/10/2024 7:00pm
Science, Nonfiction, Nonfiction/Memoir, Environmental

Author Christopher Cokinos will be reading from his most recent book, "Still as Bright," a history of the moon. After the reading, there will be an opportunity to traipse across the street to the city ballfields for moon-gazing.

Kevin Fedarko and Chris Cokinos Discussion at Back of Beyond Books
Bank of Beyond Books, Moab
10/11/2024 7:00pm
Science, Nonfiction, Nonfiction/Memoir, Environmental

Join Authors Chris Cokinos and Kevin Fedarko at Back of Beyond Books to talk about everything from the stars to the base of the Grand Canyon. Both researchers, these authors explore the skies and the earth in their latest books.

Kevin Fedarko presented by Grand County Public Library with Back of Beyond Books.
Star Hall 159 E. Center St.
10/12/2024 7:00pm
Nonfiction/Memoir, Environmental

Kevin Fedarko has spent the past twenty years writing about adventure, exploration, and the Grand Canyon. His writing has appeared in National Geographic, the New York Times, and Esquire, among other publications. Fedarko's first book, *The Emerald Mile*, won a National Outdoor Book Award as well as the Reading the West Book Award, and his second book, *A Walk in the Park: The True Story of a Spectacular Misadventure in the Grand Canyon*, was a New York Times bestseller. He lives in Flagstaff, Arizona.



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SOUTHERN UTAH OCTOBER 14-19

Prehistoric Claws and Jaws with Julia Lyon
Cedar City Library
10/14/2024 6:00pm
Graphic Novel/Comic Book, Nonfiction

Julia Lyon discusses her book, *A Dinosaur Named Ruth*, based on the true story of Ruth Mason. Hands-on manipulatives provided by the Fehner Museum of Natural History & N.P., Cedar Breaks National Monument.

Lace Up with Elaine Vickers
Cedar City Library
10/15/2024 6:00pm
YA/MG Fiction, Workshop

In Elaine Vickers' middle-grade novel, two seventh graders discover it takes more than grit and a good pair of shoes to run 13.1 miles. A writing workshop will follow.

Real Locations, Imagined Selves with Paisley Rekdal, Humanities in the Wild
Frontier Homestead State Park Museum
10/16/2024 6:30pm
Poetry, Environmental, Workshop

A writing workshop that will focus on finding a sense of place through words and documenting a place through poetry. A reading and refreshments will follow the writing workshop.

"West: A Translation" with Paisley Rekdal
SUU: APEX at Hunter Conference Center: Gilbert Great Hall
10/17/2024 11:30am
Poetry, American West

"West: A Translation"-Crossing land and history through poetry A reading and discussion with former Utah Poet Laureate, Paisley Rekdal

Humanities in the Wild: Following the Creative Flow with Rob Carney
West Canyon Park: Humanities in the Wild
10/17/2024 4:00pm
Poetry, Nonfiction, Nonfiction/Memoir, Environmental

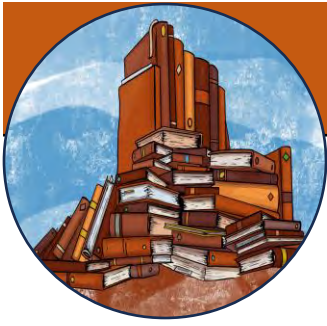
Join us for a writing/walking workshop on Thursday afternoon along Coal Creek Trail with renowned poet Rob Carney. If inclement weather: Artisans Art Gallery 94 West Center Street.

Barbara Jones Brown and Karin Anderson at Book Bungalow
Book Bungalow, St. George
10/18/2024 3:00pm
Fiction, Nonfiction/Memoir

Join award-winning author Karin Anderson and Barbara Jones Brown, author and director of Signature Books, for a conversation on the Book Bungalow's patio.

Opening Exhibit with Poetry Readings at SUMA
SUMA: Salt Lines Opening Exhibit
10/18/2024 6:00pm
Poetry, Environmental

Poetry readings by Danielle Dubrasky and Natalie Young with an eco focus that bridge SUMA 's opening exhibit of *Salt Lines: Exploring Climate, Environment, and the Saline Influx to the Southern Utah Book Festival*.



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**Meet and Mingle with Artists and
Authors/Illustrators at the SUMA Opening Event**
SUMA: Salt Lines Opening Exhibit
10/18/2024 7:00pm
**Art, Poetry, Nonfiction/Memoir, Fiction, YA/MG
Fiction, all genres**

The opening and readings will occur from 6-7 PM with an opportunity to explore the exhibit and mingle with multiple festival authors from 7-9 PM.

Picture Books for a Better Tomorrow
SUMA
10/19/2024 10:00am
Picture books, YA/MG Fiction

Author Illustrator Daria Peoples discusses her children's books as agents of change. Come and engage with this award-winning writer and illustrator.

Stop Worrying about Loving Horror
Johnson Art Center
10/19/2024 10:00am
Horror, Adult Fiction

Join the panel for a discussion about the revitalization of horror as a genre and why readers should take another chance on becoming scared.

Main Street Books: Signings
Main Street Books
10/19/2024 10:00am
Literary Fiction, Poetry, Nonfiction/Memoir

Come and meet Karin Anderson, Lisa Bickmore, Danielle Dubrasky, and David Pace. Purchase their books and get them signed.

Beyond the Book
USF: Frehner Rehearsal Hall
10/19/2024 10:00am
Theater, Workshop

Join Utah Shakespeare Education Director, Stewart Shelley, as he shares the creative process of transforming the written word into magic on the theatrical stage.

Tracks Through Time and Terrain
Artisans Art Gallery
10/19/2024 10:00am
History, Nonfiction

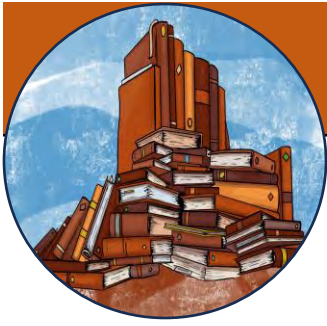
These authors provide a brief history of the railroad's role in iron mining and manufacturing in Utah and how the railroad helped to make the national parks accessible for all.

Graphic Novels: Where Words and Art Collide
SUMA
10/19/2024 11:00am
Graphic Novel/Comic Book, Workshop

A brief history of graphic novels and a discussion with Nathan Hale and Ken Lamug about how and why graphic novels appeal to a broad range of ages.

Is 90% of Sci-Fi/Fantasy Actually Real Life?
Johnson Art Center
10/19/2024 11:00am
Speculative Fiction, Science Fiction, Adult Fiction

Why is it that we find Science Fiction, Fantasy, and Speculative Fiction so relatable and how do these authors come up with the other worldly elements that keep us hooked?



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Main Street Books: Signings
Main Street Books
10/19/2024 11:00am
Poetry, Environmental, Nonfiction/Memoir

Come and meet Simmons Buntin, Rob Carney, Nano Taggart, and Natalie Young. Learn more about literary magazines, purchase copies, and get them signed.

The Good, Bad, and the Ugly of Self Publishing
Artisans Art Gallery
10/19/2024 11:00am
Illustration, Graphic Novel/Comic Book, Picture Books

Come and listen to three authors share their successes in and obstacles of self-publishing. Find out more about their journey in the literary world.

Craft Your Narrative
USF: Frehner Rehearsal Hall
10/19/2024 11:00am
Screenplay, Theatre, Fiction, Editing

Novelist, editor, and playwright, Craig Lancaster, shares how to tap into the writer hiding inside us. Learn how to tell your story.

Scribble, Sketch, and Scribe
SUMA
10/19/2024 12:00pm
Picture Books, Illustration

Discover the full process of writing and illustrating your picture book from three talented panelists.

Boundless Creativity: Artistry for Books
Johnson Art Center
10/19/2024 12:00pm
Art, Workshop

Join artsFusion Director, Alisa Petersen, in creating a sketchbook/journal with a list of writing and drawing prompts. Art supplies will be provided and participants of all ages are welcomed.

Main Street Book: Signings
Main Street Books
10/19/2024 12:00pm
All Genres, Speculative Fiction, Adult Fiction

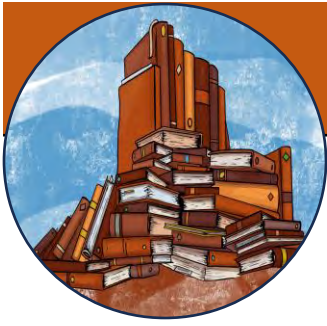
Come and meet local authors Evan Jones, Janet Burton Seegmiller, and L.E. Modesitt Jr. Purchase their books and get them signed.

Small Press, Big Impact
Artisans Art Gallery
10/19/2024 12:00pm
Literary Fiction, Nonfiction/Memoir, Poetry

Increase your knowledge about the advantages of using a regional and independent publishing house and the scope of work that these publishers provide readers.

Rhyme and Rhythm in 14 Lines
USF: Frehner Rehearsal Hall
10/19/2024 12:00pm
Poetry, Workshop

Stewart Shelley, Education Director at the Utah Shakespeare Festival, will lead us in an exploration of the artistry of the sonnet.



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Heroic History, Graphic Glory
SUMA
10/19/2024 1:00pm
Fiction, History, Graphic Novel/Comic Book

Thrilling, daring, and downright gruesome stories from American history in graphic novel form. Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales is an Eisner-nominated, #1 New York Times bestselling series.

15-99 Years Old = The Actual Young Adult Audience
Johnson Art Center
10/19/2024 1:00pm
YA

What took Young Adult so long to become a genre and why has its popularity increased exponentially? Join us and explore this exciting genre.

Main Street Book: Signings
Main Street Books
10/19/2024 1:00pm
All Genres

Come and meet C.R. Langille, Jonathan Reddoch, and Elizabeth Suggs. Purchase their books and get them signed.

Shining a Light on Lit Mags
Artisans Art Gallery
10/19/2024 1:00pm
Publishing

Co-founders of Sugar House Review and the Editor-in-Chief of Terrain.org discuss what literary magazines offer writers and readers.

Your Words on Center Stage
USF: Frehner Rehearsal Hall
10/19/2024 1:00pm
Screenplay, Playwright

Playwrights John DiAntonio and Craig Lancaster share their combined wisdom and experience in this discussion about bringing stories to the stage.

The Draw-Off Showdown
SUMA
10/19/2024 2:00pm
Picture Books, Illustration

Four illustrators share their talents and their creative process in a draw off.

Happy Birthday, L.E. Modesitt Jr.
Johnson Art Center
10/19/2024 2:00pm
Science Fiction, Speculative Fiction

The audience gets the birthday present with this rare presentation by prolific Science Fiction writer L.E. Modesitt Jr.

Main Street Books: Signings
Main Street Books
10/19/2024 2:00pm
All Genres

Come and meet Scott Edgar, Rosalyn Eves, Jessica Tvordi, and Julie Wright. Purchase their books and get them signed.



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Fear Not! Poetry IS for Everyone
Artisans Art Gallery
10/19/2024 2:00pm
Poetry, Workshop

Poetry isn't a gatekept genre and it's more flexible than most realize. Join four poets as they discuss why poetry is perceived as difficult and what is important about the craft.

It's the West--Forge Your Own Trail
USF: Frehner Rehearsal Hall
10/19/2024 2:00pm
Literary Fiction, Adult Fiction, Nonfiction

Novelists Kase Johnstun, Craig Lancaster, and Todd Petersen explore how the West shapes storytelling across literary devices and what draws readers to this genre.

Care of Magical Creatures
Harry Potter Book Day 2024
The Book Bungalow
10/19/2024 2:00pm
YA/MG Fiction

"Care of Magical Creatures." You'll visit the Owlery and engage with other magical creatures at Hogwarts and its grounds as Green Gate Village transforms into the famous magical academy, Hogsmeade, Diagon Alley, and The Burrow (home to the Weasleys). Come in costume and enjoy food, games, and activities for all ages.

Elevate Your Outdoor Experience
SUMA
10/19/2024 3:00pm
Biography, Nonfiction

James Aton presents his biography of landscape artist Jimmie Jones, discussing his life and art as it relates to the outdoors.

Beyond Star Crossed Lovers
Johnson Art Center
10/19/2024 3:00pm
Romance

A broadened perspective of the romance novel and the impact of meaningful relationships.

Main Street Books: Signings
Main Street Books
10/19/2024 3:00pm
All Genres

Come and meet Steve Capone Jr., John DiAntonio, Kase Johnstun, Craig Lancaster, and Todd Petersen. Learn more about their plays or purchase their books and get them signed.

Artfully Crafted, Uniquely Yours
Artisans Art Gallery
10/19/2024 3:00pm
Publishing

Learn about the process of creating a small circulation of self-published work that reflects your talents and allows your voice to be heard.

Building Bridges Through Storytelling
Frehner Rehearsal Hall
10/19/2024 3:00pm
Indigenous Writers, Nonfiction

Family Advocate Coordinator Tamra Borchardt-Slayton and Cultural Resource Manager Autumn Gillard share the history of the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah and also share a cultural story. This session is moderated by Scott Edgar.



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SALT LAKE COUNTY OCTOBER 12-19

**Christopher Rivas: Brown Enough
Under the Umbrella Bookstore
10/12/2024 1:00 PM
Nonfiction/Memoir**

Join author Christopher Rivas for a reading from his two books-- Brown Enough and You're a Good Swimmer--along with the illustrator of You're a Good Swimmer (and Utah local!) Ariel Boroff. Rivas and Boroff will do a Q&A and signing after the reading. Brown Enough: True Stories about Love, Violence, the Student Loan Crisis, Hollywood, Race, Familia, and Making It in America At a time when disinformation, hate crimes, inequality, racial injustice, and white supremacy are on the rise, Brown Enough, part memoir and part social commentary, emerges, asking readers to proudly put their bodies, their identities, into the conversations of race. Brown Enough is a roller coaster of finding one's true self while simultaneously having a racial awakening amidst the struggle to be "perfectly" Latinx, woke, and as Brown as possible to make it in today's America.

Event link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/christopher-rivas-brown-enough-tickets-1004713183177>

**Artes de Mexico Sor Juana Prize Banquet and
Celebration
The Leonardo
10/12/2024 12:00pm
Spanish, YA/MG Fiction, Poetry**

This award is dedicated to Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz, O.S.H. (1651-1695), a Mexican nun from the 17th century who was known for her exceptional intellect, poetry, and writing. Sor Juana was regarded as the "tenth muse" of her time due to her brilliance in various fields, including philosophy, music, and science. In addition, she was a champion of women's and minority rights, making her an inspiration to many even today. Sor Juana's work is taught in Spanish-speaking schools and universities worldwide.

**Many Stories, One Utah: Latinx & Hispanic
Collection Celebration
The Pilar Pobil House
403 E 8th Ave, Salt Lake City
10/14/2024 6:00pm
Spanish, Latinx, Fiction, Poetry, YA/MG Fiction**

From Wallace Stegner to Brandon Sanderson, Utah is home to many celebrated authors. Far too often, however, our writers from historically marginalized groups and their important contributions are under-taught and under-discussed. Since 2021, Utah Humanities has collaborated with Utah State Library, Plumas Colectiva, and many others to curate and develop the Many Stories, One Utah: Latinx & Hispanic Collection. In the collection, you will find five books by Latinx or Hispanic authors with deep ties to Utah available for free from the Utah State Library, complete with thoughtful discussion guides created by members of Utah's Latinx and undocumented community. Learn more by visiting <https://www.plumascolectiva.com/book-buzz-project>

Join us for a celebration of the Many, Stories, One Utah: Latinx & Hispanic collection featuring Yamile Saied Méndez, Kase Johnstun, Willy Palomo, and Pilar Pobil. The authors will read short selections from their work and answer questions from the audience.



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Utah Library of Congress Great Reads from Great Places Authors Ally Condie and Stacie Denetsosie
The Veridian
10/15/2024 6:00pm
Fiction, Indigenous Writers, YA/MG Fiction

Join Utah's Library of Congress Great Reads from Great Places Authors Stacie Denetsosie and Ally Condie for a reading, questions, and a book signing, supported by the King's English Bookshop.

Moon in the Rye Press Chapbook Authors: Lin Ostler, Rachel White, & Joel Long Read
Salt Lake City Library, Room A
10/16/2024 6:30pm
Poetry, Environmental, Nonfiction/Memoir

Poets Lin Ostler, Rachel White, and Joel Long read from their Moon in the Rye Press chapbooks. Moon in the Rye Press is the project of Utah Poet Laureate Lisa Bickmore. The press works with Utah authors to create micro-edition chapbooks of their work. Learn more about the press and the project at moonintheryepress.org.

An Evening with Great Books at the Tanner Humanities Center
Tanner Humanities Center, University of Utah
10/16/2024 7:00pm
All Genres

Join Tanner Humanities Center as they discuss an evening with Great Books.

Juan Morales, Teresa Dovalpage, and Kase Johnstun at Casot, with The King's English Bookshop
Casot and Wine
10/17/2024 6:00pm
Latinx writing in Poetry, Cozy Cuban Mystery, and Literary Fiction

Join Juan Morales, Kase Johnstun, and Teresa Dovalpage for an evening of Latinx writing in Poetry, Cozy Cuban Mystery, and Literary Fiction.

Great Writing No Matter the Genre with Writer and Editor Lisa Mangum
Salt Lake City Library, 4th Floor Conference Room
10/18/2024 3:00pm
Workshop, Nonfiction

This class will walk through the basics of conflict, character, goal, motivation, adversity, and voice and show you how to incorporate them into your author's toolbox so that you can write a great story regardless of genre.

Kids Story Reading with the SLC Library Staff
Salt Lake City Library, Kids Room
10/18/2024 3:00pm
Children's Literature

Join the SLC Library Staff for a Fun Reading time and Activity



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SALT LAKE COUNTY OCTOBER 12-19

The Book(s) that Changed Your Life
Salt Lake City Library, Downstairs
10/18/2024 3:00pm
Workshop, Nonfiction, Adult Fiction, YA/MG
Fiction, Poetry

Our guest speakers and members of the audience reflect on the books that shifted the course of their lives in small and big ways. This interactive and engaging conversation will explore the power reading has to impact our lives in ways we can't always see in the moment (as well as maybe give you some ideas for your next read).

The Joy, Wonder, and Magic of research in the Middle Grade Book
Salt Lake City Library, Downstairs
10/18/2024 4:00pm
YA/MG Fiction

Both presentation and craft talk, authors Hong-Merrill, Morris, and Bearce will begin with a presentation about the magic of research in middle-grade novels. They will present their own examples of how research enhanced their writing and stories. For the latter half of the hour, they will share their research processes and how they infuse research seamlessly into their writing.

Stories from the Arches with Jeff Nichols
Salt Lake City Library, Auditorium
10/18/2024 4:00pm
Nonfiction/Memoir

The extraordinary landscape of what we now call Arches National Park thrills millions of visitors every year. But people have also lived and worked in the area since long before it was a park. Jeff Nichols shares stories from the Arches, featured in the new anthology, *The Arches Reader*.

Keynote Speaker Brandon Mull
Salt Lake City Library, Auditorium
10/18/2024 5:00pm
Fantasy

Join Brandon Mull for a reading, discussion, and Book Signing.

Keynote Speaker Zak Padmore
Salt Lake City Library, Auditorium
10/18/2024 6:30pm
Environmental, Nonfiction

Join Zak Padmore for a reading, Discussion and Book Signing.

League of Utah Writers Banned Book Discussion
SL County Library, Marmalade Branch
10/19/2024 11:00am
All Genres

Join the executive committee of The League of Utah Writers for a discussion on the state of book banning.



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Great Salt Lake Conversation with Authors and Artists
Salt Lake City Library, Auditorium
10/19/2024 4:00pm
Environmental, Nonfiction

Writers, artists, and recreationists join in conversation about the Great Salt Lake as a place of sensory and physical experience.

Timeless Stories for a New Generation
Salt Lake City Library, Kids Room
10/19/2024 4:00pm
Children's, Picture Books

Join two children's book authors as they discuss how turning classic novels into books for young children can instill a love of learning at an early age. From Jane Austen to Agatha Christie, these books will spark a passion for learning and reading that will last into adulthood.

Creative Tensions: Freedom to Read
Salt Lake City Library, 4th Floor Conference Center
10/19/2024 3:00pm
Discussion, Poetry, Banned Books

Join Noah Baskett, Salt Lake City Library Executive Director, and other for a Creative Tensions Discussion.

Bestselling Author Mike Finkel Presentation
Utah Museum of Contemporary Art
10/19/2024 6:30pm
Art, Nonfiction

Finkel will deliver an energetic, enlightening, and entertaining talk at UMOCA, a talk that's about 40 minutes long, followed by an audience Q&A. He'll speak about his experiences with the world's greatest art thief, the main character of his book, "The Art Thief." (Which was just #1 on the New York Times bestseller list.)

I'll talk about the issue of art theft and museum security, and describe what it's like to walk through a museum with a genius thief (crazy and unpredictable, to say the least). I will pepper my presentation with slides and short video clips. I'll explain how my time with the master art thief changed the way I experience art, and I plan to change the way the audience at UMOCA sees a piece of art as well.



BOOK FESTIVAL PROGRAM

SALT LAKE COUNTY OCTOBER 12-19

Tim Z. Hernandez
Ken Sanders Rare Books
10/19/2024 6:30pm
Nonfiction/Memoir, Poetry, Fiction, Music

Tim Z. Hernandez is an award-winning Latinx author, research scholar, and performer. His work includes fiction, nonfiction, and poetry, and he is the recipient of the American Book Award, and the International Latino Book Award. His work has been featured in the Los Angeles Times, the New York Times, C-Span, NPR's All Things Considered, and many others. In 2018 he was recognized by the California Senate for his research on locating the victims of the 1948 plane wreck at Los Gatos Canyon, the incident made famous by Woody Guthrie's song of the same name, which is chronicled in his book, *All They Will Call You*, and the sequel, *They Call You Back*. Hernandez holds an M.F.A. in Writing & Literature from Bennington College, and he is an Associate Professor with the University of Texas El Paso's Creative Writing program. He lives in El Paso, Texas with his two children. You can find more info at www.timzhernandez.com

Legendarium Hosts Al Hess
Legendarium
10/19/2024 2:00 PM
Graphic Novel/Comic Book

Al Hess is author of *World Running Down*, *Key Lime Sky*, *Yours Celestially*, and the award-winning *Hep Cats of Boise* series.

When not hunched before a computer screen, Al can be found at his art desk. He does portraits in both pencil and oil paint, and loves drawing fellow authors' characters nearly as much as his own. He writes cozy and uplifting stories with queer, trans, and neurodiverse representation.

Laurie Lee Hall Reading and Conversation -
Dictates of Conscience: From Mormon High Priest
to My New Life as a Woman
SLC Library, Downtown, Auditorium
10/19/2024 4pm-5pm Nonfiction/Memoir

Laurie Lee Hall's growing up years were defined by the conflict between her physical condition as a boy and her inherent identity as a girl. Unable to explain or resolve her gender dysmorphia, she committed to living her adult life as a male. She became a member, devout leader, and chief architect of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. In her church and community, rigid adherence to gender roles is not only the norm, but the defining issue of a faith that doctrinally declares one's gender as an "eternal identity." Against this traditional backdrop, Hall finally received spiritual confirmation and personally accepted that she was transgender and always had been. In this remarkable memoir, Laurie Lee details how she risked everything to live true to her long-suppressed gender identity. Through the power of lived experience, Laurie Lee's story affirms the reality of gender identity and the strength and joy of self-acceptance.



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Keynote Speaker from Stacie Shannon Denetsosie
10/19/2024 5:00pm
SLC Library, Downtown, Auditorium
Adult Fiction

Stacie Denetsosis, author of the award-winning collection of stories, The Missing Morningstar will give a keynote speech.



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**Mustangs: Utah's Onaqui & Cedar Mountain Herds
& We Are Humans Art/Book Talk
Utah Cultural Celebration Center
10/4/2024 6:00pm
Nonfiction/Memoir, Photography**

Join photographers and authors Robin Pendergrast & John Steele as they present two seemingly disconnected subjects: Utah's homeless population and wild horse herds. Both are equally passionate about and advocates for each, presenting images and words that foster acceptance, awareness, and advocacy.

**Pam Houston and The Montvales
Church and State
10/21/2024 6:00pm
Adult Fiction, Nonfiction/Memoir, Music**

Join Pam Houston and musical guest The Montvaldes at Church and State for a reading and concert.

**Romancing the Book with the League of Utah
Writers Romance Chapter
Salt County Library, Marmalade Branch
10/26/2024 1:22pm**

Come learn about romance writing from the League of Utah Writers Romance Chapter. All experience levels welcome. We will discuss the bare bones of writing romance with an interactive game and workshop. There will be a signing with romance chapter anthologies available. Come have fun with us and celebrate the Utah Book Festival.

**Tanner Conversation with Percival Everett
Tanner Humanities Center, University of Utah
10/29/2024 7:00pm
Nonfiction/Memoir, Fiction**

Join the Tanner Humanities Center for an Evening with Percival Everett, author of James.

**Magdalene Visaggio & Paulina Ganucheau:
Girlmode (virtual event)
Virtual w/Under the Umbrella
10/22/2024 6:30 PM
Nonfiction/Memoir**

Join us for a hybrid virtual event with Magdalene Visaggio and Paulina Ganucheau!

About Girlmode: A recently transitioned girl starting life at a new high school tries to figure out exactly who she is—while trying to manage who everyone else wants her to be—in this funny, unexpected, and affecting new graphic novel from Eisner-nominated writer Magdalene Visaggio and artist Paulina Ganucheau.

The last thing Phoebe Zito wants is to be noticed. The newest kid at Sally Ride High School, newly arrived in Los Angeles, and newly transitioned, she's just trying to blend in while she figures out exactly who she is. But with her mom checked out, her dad still adjusting to having a daughter, and no guidebook to how to be a girl, that isn't going to be easy.

Enter Mackenzie Ishikawa. She's the girl that all girls want to be, and all the boys want to be with—and, Mackenzie has decided, Phoebe's new best friend. Mackenzie knows what it takes to survive and thrive as a girl in high school, most of all that no matter who Phoebe wants to be, or who she wants to date, she's going to need someone having her back.

Phoebe soon realizes what Mackenzie knows too well: Being true to yourself is going to mean breaking some hearts. But as Phoebe discovers what kind of girl she is—and what kind of girl everyone around her thinks she's supposed to be—she worries one of those hearts will be her own.

Event link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/magdalene-visaggio-paulina-ganucheau-girlmode-tickets-1005617768817>



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WASATCH BACK OCTOBER 21-26

Mike Finkel Author Lecture and Book Signing
Park City Library, Santy Auditorium,
10/21/2024 6:00pm
Art, Nonfiction

Find yourself riveted as author Michael Finkel talks about his New York Times bestselling book *The Art Thief: A True Story of Love, Crime, and a Dangerous Obsession* in which he describes the strange and fascinating world of master thief Stéphane Breitwieser who stole art from museums and cathedrals all over Europe - not for money, but for passion.

Utah Library of Congress Great Reads from Great Places 2024 Authors Reading and Signing with Ally Condie and Stacie Denetsosie
Folklore Book Store, Midway
10/23/2024 6:00pm
Adult Fiction, YA/MG Fiction

Join Utah's Library of Congress 2024 Great Reads from Great Places authors Ally Condie and Stacie Denetsosie for a reading, discussion, and book signing.

A Night with Pam Houston
Summit County Library, Kimball Junction Branch
10/24/2024 6:00pm
Nonfiction/Memoir, Nonfiction

Join Pam Houston at Summit County Library's Kimball Junction Branch for a reading, discussion, and book signing.

Mystery in the Stacks
Park City Library, All Floors
10/25/2024 6:00pm
Mystery/Thriller

Take part in an interactive whodunnit in the closed stacks of the Library after hours. Come prepared for a fast-paced readers' theater and be part of the action. Will you solve the mystery before the killer strikes again? Refreshments provided by the Friends of the Library. This is a ticketed event.

Favorite Lines and Pies
Lucky One's Coffee Shop, Park City Library
10/26/2024 9:00am
Adult Fiction, YA/MG Fiction, Nonfiction/Memoir, Fiction, All Genres

Step up to the mic to share the lines of your favorite book while enjoying a piece of your favorite pie. Literary readings, coffee, and pie for breakfast. It's a great way to start a literature-inspired day.

Meet Local Authors
Park City Library, Second Floor
10/26/2024 10:00am
All Genres

Meet local artists who will have tables around the Library's Second Floor. They will take the time to discuss their latest books, answer questions, share their writing process, and give sneak previews into their works-in-progress.



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Book Craft Extravaganza
Park City Library, Main Floor
10/26/2024 10:00am
All Genres, Art, Children's, Family, Community Building

Join the Book Festival Craft Extravaganza to try your hand at literary crafts on the Library's Main Floor. Make a bookmark, design a hand puppet, fold an origami design, and more.

Papermaking Demonstrations
Park City Library, Room 101
10/26/2024 10:00am
Art, Bookmaking

See how paper is made by hand. A local papermaking expert will demonstrate the age-old process of making paper. You might find yourself surprised to see what goes into making a single sheet of paper and learn that you can do it, too.

Art of the Book
Park City Library, Room 201
10/26/2024 10:00am
Art, Bookmaking

Learn about unique one-of-a-kind hand-crafted books during the Book Festival with books that are truly works of art brought to us by The Book Arts Program at the University of Utah J. Willard Library where letterpress printing, bookbinding, artists' books, and typography are utilized to create beautiful masterworks.

History of the Book
Park City Library, Room 301
10/26/2024 10:00am
History, Nonfiction, Research

Experience the history of the book with rare artifacts brought to us by the Rare Books Department at the University of Utah J. Willard Marriott Library. You will see rare books that vary by age, scarcity, print history, and provenance. It's a unique opportunity to experience literary antiquity first-hand.

Puppet Show: Moose on the Loose Morning Show
Park City Library, Community Room
10/26/2024 10:30am
Children's, Theatre, Family

Come with a spirit of fun to this puppet theater performance by young, local puppeteers. The whole family will laugh at the antics of what happens when there's a Moose on the Loose in the Library.

Puppet Show: Moose on the Loose Afternoon Show
Park City Library, Community Room
10/26/2024 1:00pm
Children's, Theatre, Family

Come with a spirit of fun to this puppet theater performance by young, local puppeteers. The whole family will laugh at the antics of what happens when there's a Moose on the Loose in the Library.



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**Bestselling Author Lecture and Book Signing with
Jack Carr
Park City Library
10/26/2024 2:00pm
Mystery/Thriller, Military Fiction, Historical Fiction,
Nonfiction/Memoir**

Dive into the riveting world of Jack Carr, where fiction and reality collide in a pulse-pounding fusion of action-packed thrillers and insightful non-fiction. Listen to the author speak, stay for questions and answers, and get your book signed by Jack Carr.

**40 Diverse Books in 50 Minutes
Park City Library, Room 301
10/27/2024 1:00pm
Diverse Voices, Children's, Picture Books**

"Listen to delightful, fast-paced book talks from a panel of experienced children's librarians as they share the latest in publishing diverse books for children. You will get plenty of reading ideas for your PreK to 8th grade readers to help them learn the joy of diverse stories.

**Dinosaur Stomp Party
Park City Library
10/27/2024 1:00pm
Children's**

Kids are invited to roar, stomp, and dance with movement activities at this dinosaur stomp party that will get everyone's wiggles out before joining author Julia Lyon, author of *A Dinosaur Named Ruth*, in the Santy Auditorium.

**Julia Lyon Author Visit and Book Signing
Park City Library
10/27/2024 2:00pm
Picture Books, Nonfiction, Children's**

Enjoy listening to award-winning journalist and children's author Julia Lyon read her book *A Dinosaur Named Ruth*. She will tell the true story of Ruth Mason, a pioneer girl in South Dakota, who found dinosaur bones in her own backyard. Families can ask questions, do a craft, and stay for a book signing.



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**American Fork Mini Conference Keynote, Jared
Quan: Unleash the Power of Collaboration**
American Fork Library
10/12/2024 12:00pm
All Genres

Join author Jared Quan as he speaks about
the collaboration experience.

**American Fork Mini-Conference: Workshops:
Daniel Quilter "Marvel Saves the Cat-Story
Structure" /Johnny Worthen "The Muddled Middle"**
American Fork Library
10/12/2024 1:00pm
Fiction

Join writer Daniel Quilter as he explores
plotting through Marvel and "Save the Cat."

**American Fork Mini Conference: Workshops:
Alysia Knight "Protagonist Speed Dating"
/Cheyenne Nielsen "Tips and Tricks from an
Editor"**
American Fork Library
10/12/2024 2:00pm
Editing

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and Tricks from an Editor"

**Torrey House Press and the John Wesley Power
River Museum Host Zak Padmore, Teal Lehto, and
Eric Balkan**
John Wesley Powell River Museum, Green River
10/19/2024 4:00pm
Environmental, Nonfiction/Memoir

Join Zak Podmore (author of Life After
Dead Pool), Teal Lehto (@westernwatergirl
on Tiktok and Instagram), and Erik Balken
(Director of the Glen Canyon Institute) for a
panel discussion on Glen Canyon,
ecological redemption, and the future of
water in the west.

**Mystery Writer Scott Graham at the Bluff Arts
Festival**
Bluff
10/20/2024 1:00pm
Adult Fiction, Mystery/Thriller

Join Mystery Writer Scott Graham for the
20th Anniversary of the Bluff Arts Festival
for a reading and book signing.

**Pam Houston and The Montvales at the Bluff Arts
Festival**
Bluff
10/20/2024 3:00pm
Adult Fiction, Nonfiction/Memoir, Music

Join Pam Houston and musical guest The
Montvaldes for the 20th Anniversary of the
Bluff Arts Festival for a reading and concert.

Rock Canyon Poets Reading
The Social, Provo
10/21/2024 11:00am
Poetry

The Rock Canyon Poets share their work!



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Orem Reads 2024 Kick Off: "Of All the Things to Ban, not Books": An Evening with Shannon Hale
Orem Public Library, Ashton Auditorium
10/3/2024 7:00 PM
Banned Books

Join New York Times bestselling author Shannon Hale at the kickoff for Orem Reads. Shannon, the author of more than 40 books ranging from picture books, graphic novels, teen fantasy, and adult romance, will discuss the impact of the recent trend in book banning on her writing career. There will be a book sale and signing after the presentation, and you can pick up your free copy of this year's Orem Reads book, Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury.

Orem Reads 2024 Finale: Titles and Treats Gala
Orem Library, Library Hall Gallery
10/29/2024 7:00 PM
All Genres

Celebrate the end of Orem Reads by joining us for our Titles and Treats Gala. It's like trick or treating for adults but with books instead of shenanigans. Decide what to read now that you've finished Fahrenheit 451 by discussing books with our knowledgeable librarians and nosh some autumn delectables. Costumes are optional (but there will be prizes!). For adult library patrons.
