The 2015 Ohioana Book Festival is almost here! Check the following pages for the author lineup, panel schedule, and community events where you can see your favorite authors before the festival. This year’s ten featured authors are listed in red.

**Fiction**
- Deanna R. Adams *Scoundrels & Dreamers*
- Dan Andriacco *Rogues Gallery*
- Lissa Bryan *The Land of the Shadow*
- Neil Carpathios *Every River on Earth: Writing from Appalachian Ohio*
- Shelley Costa *Basil Instinct*
- Paisley Cruz *Love Me Tender*
- R.C. Durkee *Rum Run*
- Mary Ellis *The Last Heiress*
- Terry W. Ervin II *Soul Forge*
- Julie Flanders *Polar Day*
- Claire Gebben *The Last of the Blacksmiths*
- Robert Glinski *The Friendship of Criminals*
- Shari Goldhagen *In Some Other World, Maybe*
- Karen Harper *Shattered Secrets*
- Sherri Hayes *Crossing the Line*
- Ryan Ireland *Beyond the Horizon*
- Kurt Landefeld *Jack’s Memoirs: Off the Road*
- Tracy Lawson *Counteract*
- Kylie Logan *The Legend of Sleepy Harlow*
- Brian McClellan *The Autumn Republic*
- Robert Miltner *And Your Bird Can Sing: Short Stories*
- Celeste Ng *Everything I Never Told You*
- Eliot Parker *Making Arrangements*
- Lynn Rae *Prohibited*
- Mike Resnick *The Fortress in Orion*
- Mark Rigney *Check-Out Time*
- Yolanda Tonette Sanders *Day of Atonement*
- Leah Stewart *The History of Us*
- S. Andrew Swann *Dragon Thief*
- Sam Thomas *The Witch Hunter’s Tale*
- Cindy Thomson *Annie’s Stories*
- TJ Turner *Lincoln’s Bodyguard*
- Thrity Umrigar *The Story Hour*
- Tim Waggoner *Grimm: The Killing Time*
- Andrew Welsh-Huggins *Slow Burn*
- R.G. Yoho *The Evil Day*

Exciting changes are in store for this year’s event as we move to a new location—the Sheraton Columbus at Capitol Square. The 9th annual Ohioana Book Festival will be held there on Saturday, April 25, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The event is free and open to the public…no ticket and no advance registration required.

In this new space, the Ohioana Book Festival promises to be bigger and better than ever before. But one important thing will stay the same—there will be something for every reader of every age to see, do, and experience, including:

- Thirty panel discussions on topics ranging from poetry to publishing
- An expanded book fair where fans can meet their favorite authors
More than 100 Ohio authors will join us for the festival—the most ever. You’ll also see a number of them doing outreach in the community during the week leading up to the main event—visiting schools and libraries, making appearances on radio and television, and other activities. We’ve listed several of those outreach events in this newsletter.

Today, only eight years after its debut, the Ohioana Book Festival is the single largest literary festival in Ohio, and one of the largest in the Midwest. Many people have made this possible. We couldn’t have done it without the generosity of our funders, the support of our media sponsors, the organizational help from our more than twenty partners, and the dedicated involvement of nearly 100 volunteers, led by the Ohioana Board of Trustees.

More than 100 Ohio authors to meet. A full day of programs and activities the whole family can enjoy. Free and open to the public. The Ohioana Book Festival is for YOU. See you April 25 at the Sheraton Columbus.

David E. Weaver
Executive Director
Author Panels and Roundtables

10:15AM – 11:00AM
Mystery, Thrills & Suspense I (Leg. A)
From Another Realm: Paranormal, Science Fiction & Fantasy (Leg. B)
The Power of Words (House A)
Young Adult I: Fiction & Nonfiction (House B)
Writing for the Young Reader I: Middle Grade (Sen. A)
Extraordinary Lives: Biography (Sen. B)

11:30AM – 12:15PM
Real People, Real Stories (Leg. A)
Dystopian Fiction: Dark Imaginings (Leg. B)
Ohio Stories: Columbus Landmarks (House A)
Young Adult II: Contemporary (House B)
The Story Behind the Story I: Fiction Roundtable (Sen. A)
Back to Nature: Nonfiction (Sen. B)

12:45PM – 1:30PM
The Creative Life (Leg. A)
Mystery, Thrills & Suspense II (Leg. B)
In Brief: Essays, Poems, and Short Stories (House A)
Young Adult III: Fantasy Roundtable (House B)
Ohio Stories: Crimes, Disasters, and Mysteries (Sen. A)
Historical Fiction: Stories Set in Real Places and Times (Sen. B)

2:00PM – 2:45PM
How We Write, What We Write (Leg. A)
Horror, Suspense & the Supernatural (Leg. B)
Scenic Ohio: Through the Eye of the Camera (House A)
Writing for the Young Reader II: Middle Grade (House B)
The Story Behind the Story II: Fiction Roundtable (Sen. A)
Inspirational Stories (Sen. B)

3:15PM – 4:00PM
Fiction by Women: Unique Voices & Visions (Leg. A)
Publishing: Everything You Wanted to Know (Leg. B)
Imagination at Play: Stories for Children (House A)
Narrative Nonfiction, Biography & Memoir (House B)
Ohio Stories: Cleveland and Cincinnati (Sen. A)
From the Pages of History: Roundtable (Sen. B)

* Authors and activity schedules are subject to change.
Meet Your Favorite Children’s Authors and Illustrators!

READ stories together, learn to DRAW your favorite characters, and get CREATIVE with the Ohioana Book Festival 2015 children’s authors and illustrators!

All-Day Activities

Dress-Up!
like your favorite characters

Balloon Twisting!
learn to twist your own animals

Crafts!
paper, markers, and more

Crafts and Story Times by American Girl® Columbus!
stories and dolls

Meet Library Mouse and Arthur!
your favorite characters in real life

Lego® Construction Area!
don’t forget your hard hat

Door Prizes!
something for everyone
The following programs and activities featuring Ohioana Book Festival authors take place before the main event on April 25. Check our website for updates and new events as they are added!

Wednesday, April 8, 8:01 p.m.

Sunday, April 12, 1:30 p.m.
Hamilton County Authors Reception, Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County Main Library, Reading Garden Lounge. Meet several Ohioana Book Festival authors during this celebration of Cincinnati area writing. Free. See page 7 for more information.

Wednesday, April 15, 8:01 p.m.

Monday, April 20, 7:00 p.m.
Reading and discussion with Yolonda Tonette Sanders at the new Whitehall branch of Columbus Metropolitan Library. Free.

Tuesday, April 21, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 22, 11:00 a.m.
Eleven Ohioana Book Festival authors will take part in a book fair and luncheon hosted by the Columbus Metropolitan Club. Registration required: [www.columbusmetroclub.org/events](http://www.columbusmetroclub.org/events)

Wednesday, April 22, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 22, 8:01 p.m.
Doug Dangler interviews Celeste Ng for *Craft: Exploring Creativity*, on WCBE 90.5FM and on the web at [http://wcbe.org/programs/craft](http://wcbe.org/programs/craft).

Thursday, April 23, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
An Evening with Edith Pattou, Natalie D. Richards, and Laura Bickle at Pickerington Public Library. Join the authors for a discussion followed by a book sale and signing. Free; no registration required.

Thursday, April 23, 7:00 p.m.

**Coming Soon**

Ohioana Book Club meets May 13, 2015 at the Ohioana Library
The book for May is *Destiny of the Republic* by Candice Millard. The club meets in the Ohioana reading room at 10:00 a.m. If you would like to attend, please e-mail us at ohioana@ohioana.org.
Ohioana

All-Star Authors

Join us for an exciting literary event honoring authors from Hamilton County, including the presentation of the 2015 Ohioana Cooper Award for outstanding promotion of books and reading.

Kevin Grace, Head of Archives and Rare Book Library and University Archivist for the University of Cincinnati, will share stories about his work safeguarding rare books and his personal passion—research in sports history.

Sunday, April 12, 2015

1:30 p.m.

MAIN LIBRARY - READING GARDEN LOUNGE
AUTHOR MEET-AND-GREET IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING PROGRAM.

THESE EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (513) 369-6919

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