THE OHIOANA BOOK FESTIVAL: BEGINNING THE NEXT TEN YEARS!

It’s almost here! The 2017 Ohioana Book Festival is set for Saturday, April 8, at the Sheraton Columbus at Capitol Square. We’re marking a milestone—the start of the festival’s second decade. It’s going to be a celebration, and you’re invited!

If you were at the first festival in 2007, then you were one of 600 attendees who heard from ten authors. And if you were at our 10th anniversary event in 2016, you were one of 3,000 attendees who came to connect with more than 120 authors!

As you can see from the pages inside, we are once again presenting a stellar lineup of Ohio authors for this fun-filled day that offers something for every reader of every age: panel discussions, a book fair where you can meet your favorite Ohio author, and special rooms and activities just for kids and teens. And as it has been since the very first festival, the event is free and open to the public, with no ticket and no advance registration required.

If you can’t wait until April 8, there will also be a number of programs with festival authors out in the community during the week leading up to the main event. Again, it is all free.

None of this would be possible without the support of our sponsors and partners, our dedicated volunteers, and the participating authors and publishers. Most of all, the Ohioana Book Festival would not be possible without people like you. It is thanks to you that the festival has grown to become the largest event in the state that celebrates Ohio literature.

So mark your calendar now for April 8 and make plans to join us at the Sheraton Columbus as the Ohioana Book Festival begins its next ten years. We’ll see you there!

For updates and further information, visit www.ohioana.org.
Festival Authors

FICTION

Dan Andriacco  Chris Bachelder  Vidas Barzdukas  Tom Batiuk  Laura Bickle  Debra Sue Brice

Rosa Brinkman  Lissa Bryan  Gary Buettner  Julie Chase  Jennifer Chiaverini  Shelley Costa

Casey Daniels  Mary Ellis  Alex Erickson  Terry W. Ervin II  Amanda Flower  Kelley Grant

Karen Harper  Sherri Hayes  John Hegenberger  Leanna Renee Hieber  Dayna Ingram  John Kachuba

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NONFICTION (cont.)

Jonathan Knight       Frank Lavin       Scott Longert       Sieglinde Martin       David Meyers
                      Elise Meyers Walker       Charles Mintz

Mary Newman       Roger Pickenpaugh       James Renner       Brad Ricca       Donald Tunnicliff
                      Rice       Tara M. Rigsbee

Robert J. Roman       Robert Sberna       William J. Shkurti       Jeff Suess       Julie Zickefoose

POETRY

Neil Zurcher       Nin Andrews       Darren Demaree       Cathy Cultice Lentes       John Matthias

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MIDDLE GRADE & CHILDREN’S (cont.)

Anne Vittur
Kennedy

Mary Knight

Erica Magnus

Jennifer Maschari

Karen Meyer

Donna Alice Patton

Edith Pattou

C.F. Payne

Shelley Pearsall

Marilyn Sadler

M. Earl Smith

Tricia Springstubb

Linda Stanek

Aileen Stewart

Charlotte Stiverson

Joe Sutphin

Tara Tyler

Carmella Van Vleet

Lindsay Ward

Adam F. Watkins

Kathy Cannon Wiechman

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Author Panels & Roundtables

Come hear your favorite authors talk about writing and publishing! Visit www.ohioana.org for more information.

10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Masters of Mystery
Dan Andriacco, John Hegenberger, Andrew Welsh-Huggins, Robin Yocum
Legislative Room A

Every Picture Tells a Story: Books for Children
Tim Bowers, Marilyn Sadler, Aileen Stewart, Adam F. Watkins
Legislative Room B

Extraordinary Lives: History, Biography, and Memoir
Kim Dinan, David M. Gold, William R. Heath, Donald Tunnicliff Rice, Tara M. Rigsbee
House Room A

Ohio: Around the Buckeye State
Ian Adams, Paul L. Gaston, Jeff Suess, Neil Zurcher
House Room B

12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Out of the Past: Historical Fiction
Jennifer Chiaverini, Linda Kass, Mary Doria Russell, David Selcer
Legislative Room A

Urban Fantasy and Dystopia
Laura Bickle, Lissa Bryan, Casey Daniels, Kelley Grant
Legislative Room B

The Poet’s Corner
Nin Andrews, Darren Demaree, Cathy Cultice Lentes, John Matthias, Rikki Santer
House Room A

The Great Outdoors
Lisa Amstutz, Robert DeMott, Mary Newman, Julie Zickefoose
House Room B

1:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Mystery, She Wrote
Julie Chase, Mary Ellis, Amanda Flower, D.M. Pulley
Legislative Room A

How We Write, What We Write
Rosa Brinkman, Joyce Richardson, Lucy A. Snyder, Jessica Strawser
House Room A

Crime, Punishment, and Political Intrigue
Will Bashor, Roger Pickenpaugh, James Renner, Robert J. Sberna
House Room B

2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
Submitted for Your Approval: Sci Fi, Fantasy, and Horror
Gary Buettner, Mark Dawidziak, Terry W. Ervin II, Leanna Renee Hieber
Legislative Room A

Real People, Real Stories
Tom Batiuk, Frank Lavin, Sieglinde Martin, Brad Ricca
Legislative Room B

Columbus Stories: Ohio’s Capital City
Mansel G. Blackford, David Meyers, Elise Meyers Walker, Charles Mintz, William J. Shkurti
House Room B

3:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Publishing: Let Me Count the Ways
Debra Sue Brice, Liz Coley, Sarah Hawley, Sherri Hayes, Cindy Thomson
Legislative Room A

Another Time, Another Place: Historical Fiction
John Kachuba, Raul Ramos y Sanchez, Suzanne Sanders Overstreet, Karen Harper
Legislative Room B

Talking Sports
Jonathan Knight, Scott Longert, Robert J. Roman
House Room A

Teens and Tweens: Fiction
Mary Knight, Kristina McBride, Kathy Cannon Wiechman
House Room B

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KIDS’ ROOM

AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR SESSIONS
11:30 Lyn Ford
11:50 Lindsay Ward
12:10 Charlotte Stiverson
12:30 Katherine Ziff
1:30 Jessica Fries-Gaither
1:50 Tracy Dils
2:10 Steve Harpster
2:30 Linda Stanek
2:50 Julie Flanders
3:10 Bill Cotter
3:30 Donna Alice Patton
3:50 M. Earl Smith

BALLOON TWISTING
11:15 am - 4:15 pm

FACE PAINTING
11:30 am - 12:30 pm
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

THROUGHOUT THE DAY
Crafts
Lego Construction Zone
Dress-Up
Early Learning Area
Visits from Library Mouse

TEEN SPACE

MAKERSPACE
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Make projects including Zines, Bristle Bots, 30 Circles, and more!

DRAW-ON
11:30 am - 12:15 pm Q&A and tabletop doodling with illustrators Bill Cotter, Steve Harpster, C.F. Payne & Joe Sutphin

IMAGINE-ON
12:30 pm - 1:15 pm discussion with fantasy writers Carey Corp, Ellen Fritz, Tracy Lawson, Tara Tyler & D.W. Vogel

MOVE-ON
1:30 pm - 2:15 pm speed dating with authors e.E. Chariton-Trujillo, Shari Goldhagen, Lorie Langdon, Mindy McGinnis & Shelley Pearsall

FORGE-ON
2:30 pm - 3:15 pm meet historical writers Sara Holbrook, Josephine Rascoe Keenan, Karen Meyer & Nancy Roe Pimm

WRITE-ON
3:30 pm - 4:15 pm writing & publishing Q&A with Krysten Lindsay Hager, Jennifer Maschari, Natalie Richards & Tricia Springstubb

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Ohioana in the Community!

The following programs and activities featuring Ohioana Book Festival authors take place before the main event on April 8. Check [www.ohioana.org](http://www.ohioana.org) for updates and new events as they are added!

**Media Appearances**

**April 5, 8:00 p.m.**
Jennifer Chiaverini
*Craft: Exploring Creativity (WCBE 90.5)*

**April 6, 11:00 a.m. – noon**
John Hegenberger and Cindy Thomson
*Morning Exchange (VOICECorps)*

**April 7, 11:00 a.m. – noon**
Tom Batiuk and Karen Harper
*Morning Exchange (VOICECorps)*

**Live Appearances**

**April 4, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.**
Tracy Lawson
Westland Area Library

**April 4, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.**
Not Just ANY Girl: Female Characters in YA Fiction
Mindy McGinnis, Natalie D. Richards, Jody Casella
Pickerington Public Library

**April 5, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.**
Darren C. Demaree, Linda Kass, Natalie D. Richards
Upper Arlington Public Library, Tremont Branch

**April 6, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.**
e.E. Charlton-Trujillo
Westland Area Library

**April 7, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.**
Coffee and Conversation with Jennifer Chiaverini
Hosted by The Book Loft of German Village at Stauf’s Coffee, German Village

**April 7, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.**
Poetry Night at the Book Loft
Nin Andrews, Cathy Cultice Lentes, John Matthias, Rikki Santer
The Book Loft of German Village

**April 7, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.**
Ian Adams and Randall L. Schieber
Gramercy Books, Bexley

**Coming Soon**

**Ohio History Connection** April 30, 2017, 2:00 p.m., 800 E. 17th Ave., Columbus
A discussion about Sarah Morgan Bryan Piatt, poet and essayist. Event is free with museum admission. Visit [www.ohiohistory.org](http://www.ohiohistory.org) for more information.

**Ohioana Book Club** May 17, 2017, 10 a.m. – noon, Ohioana Library, Columbus
The book for May is *Capitol Punishment: An Andy Hayes Mystery* by Andrew Welsh-Huggins, who will join us for the discussion. If you would like to attend, please e-mail us at ohioana@ohioana.org.

**Claire’s Day** May 20, 2017, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Toledo-Lucas County Public Library—Maumee Branch, 501 River Rd., Maumee
Claire’s Day is a celebration of life, authors, illustrators, and reading excellence. Held annually for the past sixteen years in Maumee, Ohio, in memory of Claire Lynsey Rubini, this book festival is Northwest Ohio’s largest celebration of literacy! Shelley Pearsall will be among the participating authors. Visit [www.clairedays.org](http://www.clairedays.org) for more information.

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