OHIO ANA BOOK FESTIVAL

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Welcome

Welcome to the 13th annual Ohioana Book Festival! Mike and I are proud of Ohio’s authors and illustrators and it is a great honor to be here celebrating their work with you! We have shared our love of reading with our children and grandchildren and look forward to continuing to promote literacy as Governor and First Lady.

In addition to Ohio’s remarkable authors and illustrators, the State of Ohio is fortunate to have incredible libraries, like the Columbus Metropolitan Library. They play a large role in preparing our children for kindergarten and beyond. I could not think of a more appropriate place to host the Ohioana Book Festival!

This year’s festival features nearly 150 authors representing every region of Ohio and every literary genre, including children’s book writers and illustrators and young adult novelists. I hope that you will enjoy interacting with Ohio’s best and join me in sharing your love of reading!

Sincerely,
Fran DeWine

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Our Mission

The Ohioana Library collects, preserves, and celebrates Ohio literature and other creative endeavors.
Festival Authors

Authors are listed alphabetically by genre. The number next to an author's name indicates their table number (see map on page 19).

FICTION

Frederick Luis Aldama (11)  Bree Baker (72)  Karina Bartow (75)

Tom Batiuk (11)  Ted Bernard (23)  Matt Betts (21)

Laura Bickle (20)  Mark M. Dean (26)  Mary Ellis (16)

Alex Erickson (74)  Terry W. Ervin II (24)  Brad Felver (8)
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Edith Pattou (66)
CHILDREN'S & MIDDLE GRADE

L. Philips (65)
Natalie D. Richards (64)
D.W. Vogel (63)

Kerry Winfrey (68)
Jeff Alt (54)
Lisa Amstutz (47)

Lindsay Bonilla (46)
Louise Borden (55)
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Karen Meyer (56)

Nancy Roe Pimm (62)

Rafael Rosado (61)

Julie K. Rubini (57)

Betsy Snyder (49)

Linda Stanek (43)

Diane Stortz (50)

Joe Sutphin (61)

Tara Tyler (53)

Carmella Van Vleet (51)

Christina Wald (60)

Donna Wyland (50)
TEEN SPACE

Follow Your...

...Creativity! 10:30-4:30
Visit the Makerspace to create and innovate
as you complete a maker design challenge or craft something
from your imagination! What will YOU make?

...The Story! 11:00-11:45
Listen to experienced authors explain how they
develop characters and plot their story arcs to create their YA series.
with K.B. Laugheed, Kristen Orlando, Tara Tyler, & D.W. Vogel

...Muse! 12:00-12:45
Bluffton University presents an interactive,
hands-on prose and poetry writing session for teens!

...Passion! 1:00-1:45
Join an energetic conversation with
acclaimed YA author, filmmaker, playwright, and poet

...Art! 2:00-2:45
Learn from an expert panel of illustrators as they discuss
all things connected to creating illustrations for books.
with Jeffrey Ebbeler, Barry Gott, Rafael Rosado, & Christina Wald.

...Heart! 3:00-3:45
Let these YA authors sweep you off your feet! Prepare to swoon
as they share the secrets of writing romantic and exciting YA stories.
with Dee Garretson, Krysten Lindsay Hager, L. Philips, & Kerry Winfrey
KIDS' ROOM

ALL DAY
- Crafts
- Balloon Twisting
- Lego Construction Zone
- STEM Activities
- Early Learning Area
- Character Visits

Author & Illustrator Visits

12:00  Judy Carey Nevin
12:30  Artie Knapp
1:00   Betsy Snyder
1:30   Aiko Ikegami
2:00   Connie Bergstein Dow
2:30   Lindsay Bonilla
3:00   Jessica Fries-Gaither
3:30   Jacob Grant
4:00   Paul Many

Don't forget to visit your favorite Authors & Illustrators in the Level 2 Reading Room!
Author Panels & Roundtables

10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**Book Signings:** All Authors  
*2nd Floor, Reading Room*

10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
**Ohio Sleuths:** A discussion about some of the greatest mystery and suspense stories featuring characters from Ohio.  
Kristen Lepionka, Jess Montgomery, Eliot Parker, David Pepper, Andrew Welsh-Huggins  
*Auditorium*

**Middle Grade Fiction:** Some of the best writers of fiction for Middle Grade readers.  
Tamara Bundy, Martha Dunsky, Margaret Peterson Haddix, Carmella Van Vleet  
*Room 1A*

**Debut Fiction:** These authors published their first works of fiction in 2018 and 2019.  
Marcy Campbell, Ruth Emmie Lang, M.L. Mastran, Moriel Rothman-Zecher  
*Room 3A*

**Memoir:** Join these writers as they share the stories of their lives and experiences in unique and fascinating ways – from diary entries to poetry to blog posts, a celebration of the ways we write about our lives.  
Kathleen Burgess, Jane Congdon, Dave Lange, Aimee Ross  
*Room 3B*

12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.  
**Ohio True Crime:** A close look at some infamous, true, Ohio-based crimes and our fascination with those who committed them.  
David Kimmel, David Meyers, Elise Meyers Walker, Jane Turzillo  
*Auditorium*

**Contemporary Fiction:** A chat between some of the rising stars of modern fiction writing.  
Karina Bartow, Brad Felver, Stephen Markley, Nick White  
*Room 1A*

**The Poet’s Corner:** A chat with some of Ohio’s greatest poets.  
Ruth Awad, David Baker, Dave Lucas, Sarah Rose Nordgren  
*Room 3A*

**Larger Than Life:** From generals and spiritualists to rebellious actors, performers, and musicians, the charismatic men and women profiled by these authors have fascinated not only Americans, but the entire world.  
Scott Edwards, Tom Ewing, Sharon Hatfield, Deanne Stillman, Mary Stockwell  
*Room 3B*

1:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
**Historical Fiction:** Captivating fiction based on real time periods and people in history.  
Donna B. Gawell, Karen Harper, Laurie Loewenstein, Cindy Thomson  
*Auditorium*

**Food, Music, and Fun Around the Buckeye State:** Get some great ideas for fun places to visit, music to enjoy, and food to try from all over Ohio.  
Anietra Hampton, Garin Pirnia, Jason Prufer, Matt Rapposelli  
*Room 1A*

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Contemporary Suspense: Dangerous, page-turning tales of suspense and the authors who write them.
Mary Ellis, Jennifer Lane, Kylie Logan, Jessica Strawser
Room 3A

Middle Grade Biography: Biographies for Middle Grade readers.
Cynthia A. Crane, Michelle Houts, Nancy Roe Pimm, Julie K. Rubini
Room 3B

2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

YA in the Spotlight: A discussion with some of the best and brightest Young Adult fiction writers.
Mindee Arnett, Josephine Rascoe Keenan, Mindy McGinnis, Edith Pattou, Natalie Richards
Auditorium

Mystery Series: Grab a cup of tea and a furry friend and enjoy this chat about mystery series.
Bree Baker, Amanda Flower, Annie Hogsett, Olivia Matthews
Room 1A

The Creative Life: What does the creative process look like, especially for authors whose works are not “straightforward” written narratives?
Frederick Luis Aldama, Tom Batiuk, Susannah Maynard, Stepfanie Romine
Room 3A

Talking Sports: An in-depth look at baseball, football, and more.
Chad Dotson, Chris Garber, John M. Harris, Scott Longert, David Wanczyk
Room 3B

3:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Fantastic Fiction: Exploring horror, the supernatural, urban fantasy, and speculative fiction.
Matt Betts, Laura Bickle, Gary Buettner, Lucy A. Snyder, Dan Stout
Auditorium

Choose to Read Ohio: A discussion between authors and illustrators whose books have been honored by the Choose to Read Ohio program, which spotlights Ohio authors and promotes reading across Ohio and the nation.
Louise Borden, Tim Bowers, Sharon M. Draper, Trudy Krisher, Linda Stanek
Room 1A

Ohio Politics: From small towns to the Statehouse, Ohio’s political climate has impacted that of every other state. This panel will discuss a variety of historical and regional political topics.
Brian Alexander, David M. Gold, David E. Rohr, Dylan Taylor-Lehman
Room 3A

Science Is for Everyone! A panel of experts who write for all age groups on space, inventions, archaeology, and more.
Mary Kay Carson, Kerrie Hollihan, Jillian Scudder, Paul M. Sutter
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I love proving people wrong about the power of poetry. I love making people laugh where they thought they would be bored, or agitated where they might otherwise be cool and dismissive. Columbus exists in an artistic sweet spot: it has a lot of people who want art, and enough resources for artists to create their own opportunities to engage those people. I am Scott Woods, writing is my art and there’s no place I’d rather make it.

Learn more about Scott’s story and other Columbus artists and events at ColumbusMakesArt.com.