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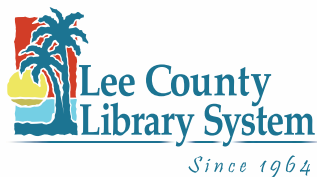
Southwest Florida Reading Festival

GUIDE

SAT. MARCH 18 • 10a.m.-4p.m.

Centennial Park, Fort Myers River District

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The Southwest Florida Reading Festival is a fun, informative and entertaining event that celebrates books and the written word. The Festival began in 2000 and its mission is to:

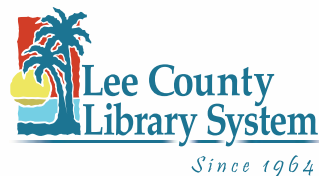
- Celebrate the importance of reading.
- Bring the finest literary talent to Southwest Florida.
- Encourage in adults, teens and children an interest in and love of literature by providing quality events featuring popular authors in multiple venues.
- Build continuing regional partnerships among libraries and other community organizations by cooperatively presenting a large, quality literary event.
- Promote public libraries as centers for recreational reading, information, technology and the arts.

The area's premier literary event, the festival has enjoyed great success and now attracts more than 20,000 book lovers each year!

HOW CAN I SUPPORT FUTURE FESTIVALS?

You can support the Festival in two important ways: by volunteering or by donating. The Reading Festival is entirely reliant on volunteers, sponsorships, grants and other individual donations. Please go to www.ReadFest.org and see the volunteer and funding opportunities.

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- Zinio – downloadable free magazine subscriptions
- Newspaper & magazine article archives
- Genealogy research links
- Language instruction
- Hoopla – streaming videos
- Business research data and more!

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for demonstrations of all the libraries electronic resources.



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- Check out and return items to any library location
- Download audiobooks, e-books and magazines to your device
- Check status of library accounts by phone or online
- Opt for convenient email notification for overdue items or availability of materials placed on hold
- Access hundreds of electronic databases for fun, education, business and personal development

Library cards are issued free for: residents of Lee County, home or business owners in Lee County, those employed within Lee County and students at Lee County schools, colleges and universities. Proof of eligibility is required. Children under age 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to receive a library card.

DON'T DELAY! SIGN UP TODAY and take advantage of the wide variety of services offered to library cardholders. For more information, visit **A3** or **A10** on the map.



MEET THESE NATIONALLY

ADULT AUTHORS



HOLLY BROWN

10:15 a.m. Adult Authors Stage A6

11:30 a.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Holly Brown is the author of three novels of domestic suspense: *Don't Try to Find Me*, *A Necessary End* and *This Is Not Over*. She is also a practicing marriage and family therapist. Visit hollybrownbooks.com.



COLIN CAMPBELL

12:30 p.m. Adult Authors Stage A5

10:15 a.m. & 1:45 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Colin Campbell is the author of *Free Days with George*. George is a 9 year old, 140-pound Newfoundland Landseer who is a Surf City Surf Dog California Heavyweight Surfing Champion. Visit freedayswithgeorge.com.

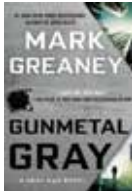


SHELLEY SHEPARD GRAY

11:30 a.m. Adult Authors Stage A6

12:45 p.m. & 2:30 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Shelley Shepard Gray is a best-selling author, a finalist for the American Christian Fiction Writers Carol Award and a two-time HOLT Medallion winner. Her latest is *Her Secret*. Visit shelleyshepardgray.com.



MARK GREANEY

3 p.m. Adult Authors Stage A5

10:30 a.m. & 4:15 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Mark Greaney is the author and co-author of seven Tom Clancy *Jack Ryan* novels, including *True Faith* and *Allegiance*. *Gunmetal Gray* is the latest in his *Gray Man* series. Visit markgreaneybooks.com. *Sponsored by LCEC*



JAMES GRIPPANDO

11:15 a.m. Adult Authors Stage A5

10 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

James Grippando is a bestselling author of suspense. *Most Dangerous Place* is the latest in his series featuring Miami criminal defense attorney Jack Swytek. He is also the author of the novella *The Penny Jumper*. Visit jamesgrippando.com.

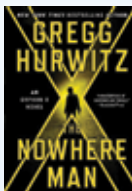


NATHAN HILL

12:45 p.m. Adult Authors Stage A6

10:30 a.m. & 2 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Nathan Hill's short stories have appeared in *The Iowa Review*, *AGNI*, *Fugue* and other journals. He has been nominated for a Pushcart Prize and a Donald Barthelme Prize in Short Prose. *The Nix* is his debut novel. Visit www.nathanhill.net.



GREGG HURWITZ

1:45 p.m. Adult Authors Stage A5

10:45 a.m. & 3 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Gregg Hurwitz is a thriller author and comic book writer who has also written screenplays for major studios and written, developed and produced television for various networks. His latest release is *Nowhere Man*. Visit gregghurwitz.net.

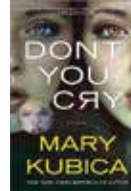


CASSANDRA KING

2 p.m. Adult Authors Stage A6

10:45 a.m. & 3:15 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Cassandra King is the author of *Moonrise*, an Okra Pick and a Southern Independent Booksellers Alliance best-seller. Her other novels include *The Same Sweet Girls* and *Queen of Broken Hearts*. Visit cassandrakingconroy.com.



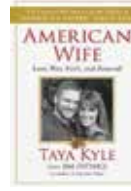
MARY KUBICA

10:15 a.m. Adult Authors Stage A6

11:30 a.m. & 2 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Mary Kubica is the author of *Pretty Baby* and *The Good Girl*, which received a Strand Critics Nomination for Best First Novel. *Don't You Cry* is her third novel.

Visit marykubica.com. *Sponsored by Arthrex*



TAYA KYLE

10 a.m. Adult Authors Stage A5

11:15 a.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Taya Kyle is the wife of Chris Kyle, a Navy SEAL and best-selling author. Together they are the subject of the film *American Sniper*. Taya is also the author of *American Wife: A Memoir of Love, War, Faith & Renewal*. Visit tayakyle.com.

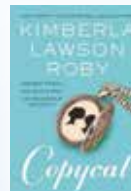


CRAIG PITTMAN

12:30 p.m. Adult Authors Stage A5

10:15 a.m. & 1:45 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Craig Pittman has covered environmental issues for the Tampa Bay Times since 1998. A native Floridian, he is the author of *Manatee Insanity* and *The Scent of Scandal*. His latest is *Oh, Florida!* Visit craigpittman.com.

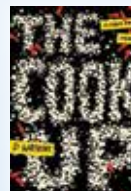


KIMBERLA LAWSON ROBY

11:30 a.m. Adult Authors Stage A6

12:45 p.m. & 2:30 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Kimberla Lawson Roby is the author of 25 novels including her popular *Reverend Curtis Black* series and *Copycat*, *Best Friends* and *The Perfect Marriage*. Visit kimroby.com.



D. WATKINS

10 a.m. Adult Authors Stage A5

11:15 a.m. & 2 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

D. Watkins is a professor at the University of Baltimore and founder of the BMORE Writers Project. A native of East Baltimore, he is the author of *The Cook Up: A Crack Rock Memoir* and *The Beast Side: Living (and Dying) While Black in America*. Visit d-watkins.com.



SUSAN WIGGS

2 p.m. Adult Authors Stage A6

10:45 a.m. & 3:15 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Susan Wiggs is the author of more than 50 novels. A former teacher and graduate of the University of Texas and Harvard, her latest is *The Family Tree*. Visit susanwiggs.com.



LORI WILDE

2 p.m. Adult Authors Stage A6

10:45 a.m. & 3:15 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Lori Wilde is the author of 78 works of fiction. She has won numerous awards, is a two time RITA finalist and has four times been nominated for Romantic Times Reviewer's Choice Award. Visit loriwilde.com.



BEATRIZ WILLIAMS

11:30 a.m. Adult Authors Stage A6

12:45 p.m. & 2:30 p.m. Adult Book Signings, A1

Beatriz Williams hid her early attempts at fiction, first on company laptops as a communications strategy consultant and then as a stay at home mom before her career took off. Her latest is *The Wicked City*. Visit beatrizwilliams.com.

ACCLAIMED AUTHORS

TEEN AUTHORS



KAMI GARCIA
12:15 p.m. Teen Stage, T5

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series, *The Legion*, includes *Unbreakable* and its sequel, *Unmarked*. Visit kamigarcia.com.



S.J. KINCAID
2:15 p.m. Teen Stage, T5
11:15 a.m. & 3:15 p.m. Teen Author Book Signings, K5
S. J. Kincaid's debut novel, *Insignia*, was shortlisted for the Waterstones prize and its sequels, *Vortex* and *Catalyst*, have received starred reviews from Kirkus Reviews and Booklist. Her latest is *The Diabolic*. Visit sjkincaid.com.



MICHELLE KNUDSEN
10:45 a.m. Teen Stage, T5
11:45 a.m. & 2:30 p.m. Teen Author Book Signings, K5
1:45 p.m. Storytelling Stage, K4

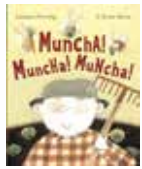
Michelle Knudsen is the author of *Evil Librarian* as well as the *Trellian* middle-grade fantasy series and several picture books, including *Library Lion*, illustrated by Kevin Hawkes.

Visit www.michelleknudsen.com.



SARA SHEPARD
1:15 p.m. Teen Stage, T5
11:45 a.m. & 2:15 p.m. Teen Author Book Signings, K5
Sara Shepard is the author of the young adult series *Pretty Little Liars*, which inspired the ABC Family television series of the same name. Her latest work is *The Amateurs*. Visit saracshepard.com.

CHILDREN'S AUTHORS



CANDACE FLEMING
11:15 a.m. Children's Authors & Illustrators Stage, K6
2:30 p.m. Storytelling Stage, K4
12:15 & 3:15 p.m. Children's Book Signings, K5

Candace Fleming is the author of more than 30 books including *Muncha! Muncha! Muncha!*, *Boxes for Katie* and *Oh, No!* which was illustrated by Eric Rohmann. Her latest release is a collaboration with Eric Rohmann titled *Bulldozer's Big Day*. Visit candacefleming.com.



CHRIS GRABENSTEIN
2:15 p.m. Children's Authors & Illustrators Stage, K6
10:15 a.m. & 3:15 p.m. Children's Book Signings, K5
Chris Grabenstein is the author of *The Island of Dr. Libris* and *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library*, which was nominated for over 30 state awards. His latest is *Welcome to Wonderland: Home Sweet Motel*. Visit chrisgrabenstein.com.

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GRACE LIN
10 a.m. Storytelling Stage, K4
1:15 p.m. Children's Authors & Illustrators Stage, K6
10:45 a.m. & 2:15 p.m. Children's Book Signings, K5
Grace Lin is the author and illustrator of *Starry River of the Sky*, *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*, *The Year of the Dog*, *Dumpling Days*, and the *Ling & Ting* series, as well as picture books such as *Dim Sum for Everyone!* Visit gracelin.com.



ERIC ROHMANN
11:15 a.m. Children's Authors & Illustrators Stage, K6
2:30 p.m. Storytelling Stage, K4
12:15 & 3:15 p.m. Children's Book Signings, K5

Eric Rohmann is the author/illustrator of seven books for children and won the prestigious Caldecott Medal for *My Friend Rabbit*. He was also awarded a Caldecott Honor for *Time Flies*. Eric has illustrated many books including *Giant Squid* and *Bulldozer's Big Day*, both written by Candace Fleming. Visit ericrohmann.com.



TUI T. SUTHERLAND
12:15 p.m. Children's Authors & Illustrators Stage, K6
10:15 a.m. & 1:15 p.m. Children's Book Signings, K5
Tui Sutherland is the author of several books for young readers, including the *Wings of Fire* series and *Spirit Animals #5: Against the Tide*, both New York Times best-sellers. Visit tuibooks.com.



SALINA YOON
10:15 a.m. Children's Authors & Illustrators Stage, K6
1 p.m. Storytelling Stage, K4
11:15 a.m. & 1:45 p.m. Children's Book Signings, K5

Salina Yoon is the author and illustrator of nearly 200 books for children including *Be a Friend*, *Penguin* and *Pinecone*, *Found* and *Stormy Night*. Visit www.salinayoon.com.



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TEEN & TWEEN ACTIVITIES

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10:00	10 a.m. Taya Kyle & D. Watkins <i>Sponsored by</i> WGCU <small>PBS HD 2</small>	10:15 a.m. Holly Brown & Mary Kubica <i>Sponsored by</i> Arthrex	10 a.m. BAM! BOOKS-A-MILLION James Grippando	A1 Book Signings Adult Titles <i>Limit 3 per signing</i>	T1	10 a.m. Aspiring Author Awards <i>Grades 6-8</i>	T2 Teen Crafts: <i>Braided Bookmarks Recycled Beach Candles Bookmarks with Beads Glamour Masks Rock n' Roll Necklace Teens Only</i>	T2 Tween Crafts: <i>Emoji Magnets Feathered Pens Thumb Art for Nails Anime Mini Art Twins Only</i>	10:15 a.m. BAM! BOOKS-A-MILLION Chris Grabenstein Tui Sutherland	10 a.m. Grace Lin <i>Favorite Selections</i>														
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10:15 a.m. Salina Yoon		K2 Aspiring Authors Winning Entries on Display All Day	10:15
11 a.m. Stories by Estrella TV		K3 Festival Store T-shirts & Tote Bags for Sale	10:30
11:15 a.m. Candace Fleming & Eric Rohmann		K5 Book Sales Author Signings Here Limit 3 per signing BAM! BOOKS-A-MILLION	10:45
12 p.m. Stories by WINK	11:45 a.m. Gulf Coast Symphony	K7 Activities & Crafts	11:00
12:15 p.m. Tui Sutherland		K8 A Book for Every Child One per Child While supplies last Suncoast Credit Union	11:15
1 p.m. Stories by Estrella TV	12:45 p.m. Doug MacGregor	A10 Visit the Bookmobile	11:30
1:15 p.m. Grace Lin		I Info Booth Festival & Library Info The News-Press media group WINK	11:45
2 p.m. Stories by WINK	1:45 p.m. Super Science & Amazing Art		12:00
2:15 p.m. Chris Grabenstein <small>Sponsored by SWFL Workforce Development Board</small>			12:15
	3 p.m. JiggleMan		12:30
			12:45
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			4:00



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ADULT AREAS

- A1** ADULT AUTHOR BOOK SIGNINGS
Limit 3 per signing
- A2** T-SHIRT SALES & SELFIE STATION
- A3** E-LIBRARY
- A4** BOOKS-A-MILLION - Adult Book Sales
Limit 3 per signing
- A5** ADULT AUTHOR PRESENTATIONS
- A6** ADULT AUTHOR PRESENTATIONS
- A7** MARKETPLACE CHECK-IN
- A8** MARKETPLACE EXHIBITS
- A9** BLOOD MOBILE
- A10** BOOKMOBILE



KIDS AREA

- K1** MARKETPLACE EXHIBITS
- K2** ASPIRING AUTHORS WINNING ENTRIES
- K3** T-SHIRT SALES & SELFIE STATION MARKETPLACE CHECK-IN
- K4** STORY TELLING
- K5** BOOKS-A-MILLION - Teen & Youth Sales & Signings
Limit 3 per signing
- K6** CHILDREN'S AUTHORS & ILLUSTRATORS
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- F1** DINING AREA
- F2** FOOD VENDORS
- F3** JASON'S DELI BOXED LUNCHES

RESTRICTED AREAS

- R1** PRIVATE HOSPITALITY
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- WATCH THE BATTLE OF THE BANDS FINALS
- WRITE ON THE GRAFFITI WALL
- MAKE A GLAMOUR MASK, BEACH CANDLES AND ROCK N' ROLL NECKLACE



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Battle performances will be
1 P.M., 2 P.M., 3 P.M.
3:30 Battle Winners Announced!

Crowd sourced voting will occur at 3:15. Must be present and have a device with internet access to vote. The winners will be announced at the end of the day!

ASPIRING AUTHORS AWARDS

Applaud the winners at the awards throughout the day (see schedule).

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THE WINNING ENTRIES
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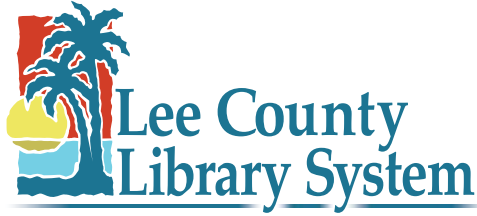
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