
ALL EVENTS TAKE PLACE AT MILLBROOK LIBRARY, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

- **10 AM to 11 AM**

[A Perilous Career as Photographer](#) —Gallery

In a talk about love, exceedingly dangerous travel, and photography, author and photographer, Clark Worswick, discusses his biographies, *The Orchid House: Art Smuggling and Appointments in Afghanistan and India*, and *ArtMachine, A Reinvention of Photography*. Both recount places that either no longer exist as they had been for millennia, or alternatively, are too dangerous to travel to in 2017.

[Debut Authors/Writing Friends: Finding Support on the Way to Publication](#) —Flagler Room

Memoirist Roselee Blooston and novelist Marina Antropow Cramer, both Hudson Valley authors, discuss their long and intersecting writing journeys to the publication of their first books, respectively—*Dying in Dubai* and *Roads*—and how writers can develop a supportive peer community.

[Taking a Stand](#) —Children's Room

Author Jana Laiz and middle grade students join in this inspiring effort to understand what it means to "take a stand". Art for Social Change is a locally developed project in which the 8th grade students from Rhinebeck's Bulkeley Middle School researched moments in U.S. history when someone took a stand for civil rights. Seven of those projects will be on display at the Library and students will present. The projects on display will cover Margaret Sanger, the DREAM act, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Stonewall Riots, and Betty Friedan.

- **10:30 AM to 5 PM**

[Poets Corner](#) —Rose Randolph Cookies (across from the library)

Poetry presentations followed by an open mic session (3 p.m. to 5 p.m.), hosted by Jan Egry and Ryan Murphy. Poets include Lucia Cherciu, Meg Kearney, Gail Carson Levine, Molly McGlennen, Evan Pritchard and Jo Pitkin.

- **11 AM to 12 PM**

[Native Voices](#) —Gallery

Join the launch of new work by contemporary Native American authors, Joe Bruchac, Evan Pritchard and Molly McGlennen as they celebrate the release of *Tending the Fire* (New Mexico University Press), a table-top book of hand-written poems by Native American authors, with museum quality photographic portraits by Chris Felver. Joe, Evan and Molly will be on hand to sign some of their individual titles as well, while providing live music and readings.

[Young Writers Showcase](#) —Children's Room

Students who entered this year's young writers' showcase will read from their work, including those whose stories have been published in a special anthology. Don't miss this display of the finest young literary talents in the area!

[Alice in Central Park](#) —Bennett Room

Attorney, photographer and writer G.A. "Moby" Mudge presents a fascinating talk on photographing and writing about statues in New York City's famed Central Park.





- **12 PM to 1 PM**

***Literary Luncheon with Min Jin Lee* —Gallery**

Award-winning writer Min Jin Lee, in conversation with Jake and Kira Wizner. Lee's *Pachinko* (2017) and debut novel, *Free Food for Millionaires* (2007), are both national best sellers.

***Picture Book Menagerie* —Children's Room (through 5 PM)**

Pop in and listen to readings of picture books read by the authors. You'll be sure to hear and see long-time favorites and new picture book titles that are sure to delight and entertain.

- **1 PM to 1:30 PM**

***Scott Meyer Award for Best Essay* —Gallery**

Festival founder Scott Meyer loved to encourage reading and writing of every kind. In honor of his work and passion, the Literary Festival will present an annual award for a different genre each year to a Hudson/Harlem Valley writer. This year we will award \$300 for an unpublished essay. The winner will be interviewed by Rona Boyer and featured in *Living Millbrook Magazine*. Two runners-up will each receive \$50 gift cards to Merritt Bookstore.

- **1 PM to 2 PM**

***A Tea Garden in Tivoli* —Bennett Room**

Award-winning author, garden designer, and student of the Japanese Tea Tradition, Bettina Mueller, presents a talk on American garden design as it's inspired by the Japanese Way of Tea. Her garden has been on the *Garden Conservancy's* Open Days tour.

- **1:30 PM to 2 PM**

***Mid-Hudson Antislavery History Project* —Gallery**

Join Rebecca Edwards, Professor of History at Vassar College, as she speaks on the Mid-Hudson Antislavery History Project and its work to research and interpret local histories of slavery, antislavery and the Underground Railroad. Learn how this multi-racial movement for social justice flourished in Dutchess County from the 1830s to the Civil War. The History Project has two publications that will be available under the book tent.

- **1:30 PM to 2:30 PM**

***In Conversation with Gail Carson Levine* —Flagler Room**

Gail Carson Levine will debut her new book, *The Lost Kingdom of Bamarre*, and talk with Kira Wizner about the fun and importance of writing about strong girls.

- **2 PM to 3 PM**

***Slice of Life: Writing the Personal Essay* —Bennett Room**

Do you have an experience, viewpoint, or opinion to share? *Poughkeepsie Journal* columnist Karen Orloff will lead participants in the basics of essay writing, from humorous to touching. We'll do some writing exercises, so bring a pen and notebook.

***In Defiance: Runaways from Slavery in NY's Hudson River Valley 1735-1831* —Gallery**

Ashley Hurlburt-Biagini, Hudson Valley resident and co-author of *In Defiance: Runaways from Slavery in New York's Hudson River Valley 1735-1831*, discusses the prevalence of slavery in the North prior to the Civil War. The presentation will include students from Linden Ave. Middle School in Red Hook who took part in a project of writing biographies on runaway slaves and their water-color drawings of slaves will be on exhibit at the library.

- **2:30 PM to 3:30 PM**

***Teen Readers & Teen Writers* —Flagler Room**

If you are a teen, or write for teens, this is the panel for you! Timothy Tocher will moderate YA authors Tara Altebrando (*The Leaving*), Maria Andreu (*The Secret Side of Empty*), and Meg Kearney (*When You Never Said Goodbye*) as they share their latest books and offer tips for creating successful fiction.

- **3 PM to 4 PM**

***Butter: A Rich History* —Gallery**

Elaine Khosrova, tells the rich story of butter in a four-continent trip of its incarnations and creations, from the ghee of India, to the high-fat reindeer milk of the Far North to its impact on empire building and the Industrial Revolution, and more. The session will include a butter tasting!

***Spies, Thieves, Murder and Mayhem* —Bennett Room**

Listen in on award-winning authors T.J. O'Connor (*New Sins for Old Scores*), Kevin Egan (*A Shattered Circle*), Terrence McCauley (*A Murder of Crows*), and Louis Romano (*Justified*), as they share the thrill of crafting their latest editions. T.J. O'Connor will moderate.

- **3:30 PM to 4:30 PM**

***Talking Tough Subjects with Suzanne LaFleur and Caron Levis* —Flagler Room**

Middle-grade writer Suzanne LaFleur talks with picture-book author Caron Levis including difficult, sad, and challenging issues in writing for children. They will share thoughts about their books such as *Beautiful Blue World* and *Eight Keys* (Suzanne LaFleur) and *Ida, Always* and *Stuck with the Blooz* (Caron Levis). Caron's newest picture-book, *May I Have a Word?*, will be available for advanced sell.

- **4 PM to 5 PM**

***Emily Barton and Thomas Israel Hopkins, In Conversation* —Gallery**

Emily mostly writes novels, Thomas mostly writes short stories. Listen to this couple talk about their writing, being married to a writer, teaching, and more.

***Nightmare From World's End: Fact vs Fiction* —Bennett Room**

A presentation by local author Robert J. Stava on how he wove fact and fiction with Hudson River Indian folklore, Greek myths and even the NOAA in his recent novel from Severed Press, in addition to touching on other local legends and history that have surfaced in his supernatural tales.

- **ALL DAY**



***Book Signings and Sales* —Front Lawn**

Books by all authors and illustrators at the festival will be available for purchase. Authors will be signing their books immediately following their program or activity. In addition, non-presenting authors will be in the Book Tent to sign their work and meet visitors all day. You can read more about all of our authors at our website.

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11:30 a.m. – noon					Poets’ Corner, <i>Gail Carson Levine</i>
noon – 12: 30 p.m.	Literary Brown Bag Luncheon, <i>Min Jin Lee</i>		Picture Book Menagerie, <i>Jackie Reynolds, Susanna Leonard Hill, Nancy Furstinger</i>		
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4:30 – 5 p.m.					

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