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NEWS OF INTEREST FROM THE BROWARD PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION



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Literary Feast 2015 Update

You can celebrate everything books at Literary Feast, coming up March 28-30.

Fifteen outstanding authors representing a variety of genres, including mystery, history, memoir, biography and business, will be the Broward Public Library Foundation's literary guests of honor. They include Nancy Horan, C.J. Box, Gerald Posner and Chef Norman Van Aken.

Literary Feast Co-Chairs Ann Burris and Nila Do Simon are working with 30 volunteers and teachers plus 38 dinner hosts on the three events that make up Literary Feast:

- **Saturday, March 28:** A Night of Literary Feasts, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Welcome Reception, with book sales, signings and a silent auction, at the Hyatt Regency Pier Sixty-Six, followed by dinners with an author in private homes and upscale restaurants. Tickets are \$175.
- **Sunday, March 29:** LitLIVE!, a free day for booklovers to hear from the authors in panel discussions, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale. (See LitLIVE! author panels on back page.)
- **Monday, March 30:** Novel Day for Students. The authors will visit 17 high schools to speak with students about their books. They will also announce the winners of the annual Novel Day for Students Short Story Contest.

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LITERARY FEAST 2015

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Food & Wine Editor Speaks at LitLUNCH!

More than 170 people enjoyed Food & Wine magazine editor-in-chief Dana Cowin's talk at LitLUNCH!, the opening event of Literary Feast 2015. Cowin, the author of *Mastering My Mistakes in the Kitchen*, shared stories about fine-tuning her cooking skills with 65 master chefs, including Bobby Flay and Tyler Florence. Laurie Menekou and Stacy Ostrau chaired the event, held at the Hyatt Regency Pier Sixty-Six Pier Top.



Cheryl Balaban, Dorothy Klein, Jamie Finizio-Bascombe



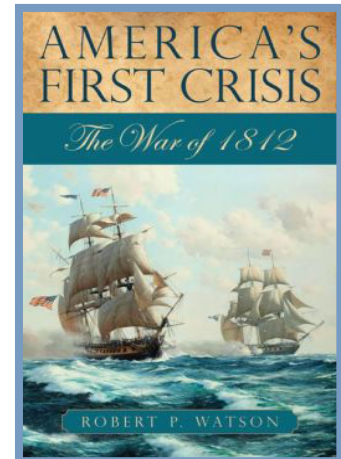
Beatriz Miniaci, Catalina Avalos, Josie Bacallao, Maria Soldani



Laurie Menekou, Dana Cowin, Stacy Ostrau

Book With Brunch Continues April 22

South Florida author Robert Watson is the next speaker in the Book With Brunch series on Wednesday, April 22. The event begins at 10:30 a.m. at ArtServe in Fort Lauderdale (1350 E. Sunrise Boulevard). Watson, a professor of American studies at Lynn University, is the author of numerous books on American history. His latest, *America's First Crisis: The War of 1812*, tells the stories of the most intriguing battles and leaders and shares the most important blunders and victories of the war. A frequent media commentator, he also has founded three non-profit think tanks dedicated to civic education, political reform and fact-checking campaign lies.



Watson will speak, sell and sign his book at this event, which is held as a benefit to Foundation members at the \$50 level and above; non-members may attend by paying a \$25 non-refundable fee in advance. Please e-mail lbostic@bplfoundation.org or call 954.357.7382 to make your reservation. Seating is limited to the first 50 registrants.

LitLIVE! Schedule

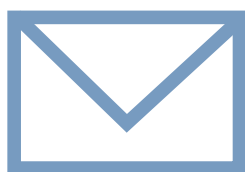
Sunday, March 29, 2015

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Time	Auditorium	2nd Floor	3rd Floor
12:30 p.m.	FOOD & FITNESS Chef Norman Van Aken: <i>No Experience Necessary</i> Ted Spiker: <i>Down Size</i> Moderator: Patsy Mennuti, Yoga Instructor (RYT)	CROSS-COUNTRY CRIME C.J. Box: <i>Endangered</i> Hank Phillippi Ryan: <i>Truth Be Told</i> Moderator: Oline Cogdill, Mystery Fiction Critic	
2 p.m.	THE ART OF THE SUBJECT Kathryn Harrison: <i>Joan of Arc</i> Nancy Horan: <i>Under the Wide and Starry Sky</i> Moderator: Mim Harrison, Founding Editor, Levenger	CHARACTER CRAFTING Matthew Thomas: <i>We Are Not Ourselves</i> Marisa de los Santos: <i>The Precious One</i> Julie Schumacher: <i>Dear Committee Members</i> Moderator: Chauncey Mabe, Book Critic	ADVENTURES IN KINDNESS Leon Logothetis: <i>The Kindness Diaries</i> Moderator: Julie Hunter, Retired Administrator, Broward County Libraries
3:30 p.m.	STAR STRUCK Steve Boone: <i>Hotter Than a Match Head</i> Joanna Rakoff: <i>My Salinger Year</i> Marja Mills: <i>The Mockingbird Next Door</i> Moderator: Caryl Shuham, Construction Lawyer, Shuham & Shuham	UNCOVERING HIDDEN TRUTHS Gerald Posner: <i>God's Bankers</i> Zac Bissonnette: <i>The Great Beanie Baby Bubble</i> Moderator: Gail Bulfin, Vice President, The Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance	

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Children's Events Coming Up in April

Two of Broward County Library's major events for and about children, and open to the public for free, are scheduled for late April.

The 28th Annual Conference on Children's Literature will take place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 24 at the Main Library (100 S. Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale). The theme of the Conference this year is "Turning the Pages of Diversity." More than 200 children's librarians, educators and parents will hear from poet and *New York Times* bestselling author Nikki Grimes, E.B. Lewis, award-winning "artistator" (illustrator) of 65 books for children, and Lucia Gonzalez, award-winning bilingual author and storyteller.

From 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 25, the 10th Annual Children's BookFest will be held at the African American Research Library and Cultural Center (2650 Sistrunk Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale). This year's event has an international theme, with performers and storytellers representing Africa, Australia, Brazil and the Bahamas. Storybook characters will include Clifford the Big Red Dog and Skippyjon Jones. The first 1,000 children attending can choose a free book at the Book Giveaway table.

The Children's BookFest is presented by Baptist Health Urgent Care and funded by the Broward Public Library Foundation with support from *Broward Family Life Magazine* and the Friends of the African American Research Library and Cultural Center.