

FEATURED EVENTS

MAIN STAGE

The Main Stage at BookExpo 2017 will showcase a variety of high-profile Authors and discussions. Most notably, the Main Stage will feature both the Adult and Children's Books & Author Breakfasts, a conversation with Neil Patrick Harris and Lemony Snicket, Marc Maron interviewing Senator Al Franken, as well as a discussion on Thursday with former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton.

Hall 1D

ADULT BOOK & AUTHOR BREAKFAST

THURSDAY | 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM

MAIN STAGE

The 2017 Adult Book & Author Breakfast is shaping up to be the forum's most exciting yet with the first-ever BookExpo appearance by best-selling novelist Stephen King (*Misery*, *11/22/63*, *On Writing*). Joined by Owen King, his son and co-author of the upcoming novel *Sleeping Beauties*, the pair will offer a special introduction to the breakfast, 'Prologue by Stephen King & Owen King.' Following their introduction, comedian and actress Whitney Cummings (*Whitney*, *2 Broke Girls* co-creator) will take the BookExpo Main Stage to host the event and discuss her upcoming memoir, *I'm Fine... And Other Lies*. She will be joined by Captain Scott Kelly (*Endurance: My Year in Space*), Kenya Barris (*This is Basic Sh*t*), Jesmyn Ward (*Sing, Unburied, Sing*) and Claire Messud (*The Burning Girl: A Novel*), all of whom will speak about their upcoming releases and the inspiration behind their writing.

*Separate ticket required.

AN EVENING WITH HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON

THURSDAY | 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

MAIN STAGE



An American icon will make a special appearance at BookExpo 2017. *An Evening with Hillary Rodham Clinton* will take place on BookExpo's Main Stage on Thursday, June 1, 2017 from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM. In 2016 Hillary Rodham Clinton became the first woman in U.S. history to become the presidential nominee of a major political party. She served as the 67th Secretary of State—from January 21, 2009, until February 1, 2013—after nearly four decades in public service advocating on behalf of children and families as an attorney, First Lady, and U.S. Senator from New York. She and her husband, President Bill Clinton, are the proud parents of Chelsea and grandparents of Charlotte and Aidan.

She is the author of several bestselling books, including the memoirs

Hard Choices and *Living History*, and her groundbreaking work on children, *It Takes a Village*.

This September, Simon & Schuster will publish a new book by Secretary Clinton. Additionally in September, *It Takes a Village* will be published for the first time as an all-new, full-color picture book by Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers.

*Separate ticket required. Event Sold Out.

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CHILDREN'S BOOK & AUTHOR BREAKFAST

FRIDAY | 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM

MAIN STAGE

The most prominent stars in children's and young adult literature are coming together at BookExpo for one of the show's biggest events - the Children's Book & Author Breakfast. One of the most popular events at BookExpo each year, the 2017 Children's Book & Author Breakfast draws over a thousand attendees for a morning of lively conversation with literary giants.

This year's breakfast will be hosted by beloved co-anchor of NBC's *Today* and chief legal correspondent for *NBC News*, Savannah Guthrie. Guthrie will discuss her new young readers' book, *Princesses Wear Pants*, which was co-written with Allison Oppenheim and illustrated by Eva Byrne. She will be joined by Jason Reynolds (*When I Was The Greatest*), who will take the stage to talk about his three forthcoming works, YA Spider-Man novel *Miles Morales* and novels *Patina* and *Long Way Down*. Founding member of We Need Diverse Books™ Marieke Nijkamp (*This Is Where It Ends*) will talk about her new YA novel *Before I Let Go*, acclaimed author Jennifer Weiner will discuss her middle grade book *Little Bigfoot, Big City*, and actress Isla Fisher will discuss the first book in her new series, *Marge in Charge*.

This breakfast is proudly presented by



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WTF IS HAPPENING, SENATOR FRANKEN?

FRIDAY | 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM

MAIN STAGE

Despite the fact that comedians are getting laughs in droves these days, to many, politics right now aren't too funny. So let's have a serious discussion with a reformed comedian. U.S. Senator Al Franken has represented Minnesota since 2008 after spending 37 years as a comedy writer, author, and radio talk show host. Senator Franken has authored *Al Franken: Giant of the Senate*, a book about an unlikely campaign that had an even more improbable ending: the closest outcome in history and an unprecedented eight-month recount saga, which is pretty funny in retrospect. He will be interviewed live on stage by stand-up comedian, actor, and host of the wildly popular podcast, *WTF with Marc Maron*. Maron is the co-author of the book *Waiting For The Punch: Words to Live by From the WTF Podcast*, available from Flatiron Books this Fall.

A FORTUNATE STAGE TALK: NEIL PATRICK HARRIS AND LEMONY SNICKET

FRIDAY | 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

MAIN STAGE

In January, Netflix debuted Lemony Snicket's *A Series of Unfortunate Events* which starred Neil Patrick Harris as the sinister Count Olaf. And at the same time, Harris was putting the final touches on *The Magic Misfits*, his first middle grade book that comes out in Fall 2017 which tells the tale of four colorful kids who have abilities that set them apart from the rest of their peers. Join Snicket and Harris live on the Main Stage as they discuss their most recent collaboration as well as their new books.

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BUZZ PANELS

The prestigious BookExpo Buzz Panels program names the top authors and titles expected to resonate with readers in 2017 in the categories of Adult, Young Adult, and Middle Grade. Over the past years, this program has had a tremendous track record of predicting the coming year's hottest books. Over the past three years, the program has selected nine books that made it onto *The New York Times Best Sellers* list. The selections are made by three separate committees of booksellers, librarians and other industry professionals. The thoughtful debates within the selection process are designed to achieve the widest possible consensus.

BOOKEXPO ADULT EDITORS' BUZZ

WEDNESDAY | 1:45 PM - 3:00 PM

ROOM 1E14

THE FINALISTS:

*Unraveling
Oliver*

Liz Nugent

Scout press

Pub Date:

August 22, 2017

Stay With Me

Ayobami

Adebayo

Alfred A. Knopf

Pub Date:

August 22, 2017

*My Absolute
Darling*

Gabriel Tallent

Riverhead Books

Pub Date:

August 29, 2017

*The World
of Tomorrow*

Brendan

Mathews

Little Brown and

Company

Pub Date:

September 5, 2017

*The
Immortalists*

Chloe Benjamin

Putnam

Pub Date:

January 9, 2018

*The Woman in
the Window*

A.J. Finn

William Morrow

Pub Date:

January 23, 2018

BOOKEXPO YOUNG ADULT EDITORS' BUZZ

THURSDAY | 10:00 AM - 10:50 AM

ROOM 1E14

THE FINALISTS:

Spinning

Tillie Walden

First Second Books

Pub Date:

September 12, 2017

*Beasts Made of
Night*

Tochi Onyebuchi

Razorbill

Pub Date:

September 12, 2017

*All the Wind
in the World*

Samantha Mabry

Algonquin Books

for Young Readers

Pub Date:

October 10, 2017

The 57 Bus:

A True Story of

Two Teenagers

and the Crime

That Changed

Their Lives

Dashka Slater

Farrar Straus and

Giroux Books for

Young Readers

Pub Date:

October 17, 2017

Dear Martin

Nic Stone

Crown Books

for Young Readers

Pub Date:

October 17, 2017

FEATURED EVENTS

BOOKEXPO MIDDLE GRADE EDITORS' BUZZ

FRIDAY | 11:00 AM - 11:50 AM

ROOM 1E14

THE FINALISTS:

Auma's Long Run
Eucabeth Odhiambo
Carolrhoda Books,
a division of Lerner
Publishing Group
Pub Date:
September 1, 2017

The Witch Boy
Molly Ostertag
Graphix
Pub Date:
September 1, 2017

*Greetings
From Witness
Protection!*
Jake Burt
Feiwel & Friends
Pub Date:
October 3, 2017

*The Stars Beneath
Our Feet*
David Barclay
Moore
Alfred A. Knopf Books
for Young Readers
Pub Date:
October 24, 2017

*The Unicorn
Quest:
The Whisper
in the Stone*
Kamilla Benko
Bloomsbury Children's
Books
Pub Date:
January 30, 2018

THE FIRST AMENDMENT RESISTANCE PRESENTED BY PEN AMERICA

THURSDAY | 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

ROOM 1E14

In an age of fake news, viral provocation, and heightened awareness of difference, what responsibilities do publishers have when it comes to books by controversial writers professing what seem to be unpopular opinion? Is it wrong to provide a platform for someone who has been criticized for political views outside the acceptable norm? And is there an acceptable norm—or is this a conceit of an elitist, left-leaning publishing industry?

Panelists: John Podhoretz, Zoe Quinn, Scott Turow, Patrisse Cullors

AUDIO PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION (APA) AUTHOR TEA

FRIDAY | 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

ROOM 1E07

Four bestselling authors take the stage to discuss their craft, creativity and inspiration, with a focus on the changing audiobook landscape. The Audio Publishers Association (APA) Author Tea will feature Emmy Award-winning actor and director Alan Alda (*If I Understood You, Would I Have This Look on my Face?*, Penguin Random House Audio) as host, along with James Patterson (*Crazy House*, Hachette Audio), Marissa Meyer (*Renegades*, Macmillan Audio) and Daniel José Older (*Shadowhouse Fall*, Scholastic Audio). Because audiobooks continue to be a huge focus for the publishing industry, the APA Author Tea offers booksellers the unique opportunity to discuss the ways in which the audiobook landscape is evolving with an impressive lineup of authors in a relaxed setting over afternoon tea.

**Separate ticket required.*

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DOWNTOWN STAGE

To capitalize on the excitement and energy of the Show Floor, BookExpo is excited to unveil a new series of panels on the Downtown Stage that showcase the industry's most dynamic and influential authors. These panels will discuss topics as important and diverse as politics, entertainment and the creative process.

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DO I AMUSE YOU?

THURSDAY | 9:45 AM - 10:45 AM

DOWNTOWN STAGE

Do I amuse you? Isla Fisher (*Marge in Charge* - HarperCollins), Denis Leary (*Why We Don't Suck* - Penguin), and John Hodgman (*Vacationland* - Penguin Random House) represent a spectrum of comedians who excel on the big screen, the small screen, and on the page. On this panel, they'll explore the quirks, the ups, and even the downs of their lives that fuel their laughter and led them to write such a diverse array of books.

POLITICS PRESENT AND PAST

FRIDAY | 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM

DOWNTOWN STAGE

Often, in the present, the political state of our country seems to be at its most dire. After all, policies and controversies are always heightened as we're living through them. It therefore remains imperative that we're able to look back at history to compare our current situation to the past, in order to learn how to improve -- or to even to take comfort in the fact that we were able to overcome situations that once seemed equally dire. This panel does just that, comparing our current political state to historical situations of the past to see how we truly stack-up today. Join Lawrence O'Donnell, Ed Asner (*Whose Constitution? An Angry Old-Time Lefty Defends Our Founding Document Against Bigots, Liars, and Nutcases* - Simon & Schuster), and Jay Sekulow (*Why Israel Matters* as they share their personal stories and historical perspectives.

CREATIVE MINDS DISCUSS THE CREATIVE PROCESS

FRIDAY | 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

DOWNTOWN STAGE

Creativity comes in many forms. Whether it's designing the newest look, creating the next killer app, starting your own organization, or writing a best-seller, the creative process is unique to each individual and has no strict set of rules or guidelines. Join designer Zac Posen (*Cooking With Zac - Rodale*), Girls Who Code founder Reshma Saujani (*Girls Who Code: Learn to Code and Change the World* - Penguin Young Readers) and Veronica Roth as they discuss their views on creativity while sharing insights into their newest books.