Improving Utah communities through books and conversation.

September & October

Featuring nationally acclaimed authors and events statewide: Zadie Smith, Brandon Mull, Bruce Campbell, Michael Chabon, David Baker, Luci Tapahonso, David Baker, Kaveh Akbar, Mark Sundeen, Jennifer Nielsen, Literary Death Match, Live Wire!, Margot Singer, Ian Doescher, Ashley Wolff, Ally Condie, Shannon and Dean Hale, Debra Monroe, and many more.

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Welcome to the 20th Annual Utah Humanities Book Festival!

Over the past 20 years, we've inspired Utah communities by offering the state's largest annual book festival. Our inaugural festival, known then as The Great Salt Lake Book Festival, started in 1998 and was a one-day event featuring 30 authors at Westminster College. Twenty years later, our annual Utah Humanities Book Festival now spans two months each September and October. We grew to 122 events in 16 communities in 2016. We've expanded our reach by partnering with libraries, community centers, cultural organizations, and more to serve upwards of 12,000 Utahns every fall.

Each year, we hear very personal stories about how an author or book has generated conversation, insight, and understanding. We hear about communities coming together and collectively immersing in books of all types — everything from historical fiction to comedy to poetry. We listen to individuals talk about how their personal or professional lives were affected in life-changing ways by talking with an author who inspired them. We hear about how we've helped to improve Utah communities through books, reading, and the resulting conversations … in short, through the humanities.

We invite you to use this guide to the events, but times, locations, and other details can change, so we recommend you check our website at http://www.utahhumanities.org/BookFestival.html for updates and for detailed information on all events and presenters.

We are committed to ensuring that all people, regardless of disability, have equal and full access to our programs and events. If you require any accommodations, please submit a request to Michael McLane at mclane@utahhumanities.org or at 801-359-9670.

Join us for this year's statewide festival in celebration of all things bookish and our milestone 20th anniversary!
Escalante
October 5, 6 PM | Kiva Koffeehouse
David Lee returns to Kiva Koffeehouse to talk poetry and people, small town life, and vast landscapes. Lee was Utah’s first Poet Laureate and has become a key organizer and faculty member for the annual Cliff Notes Writing Conference.

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Logan
October 4, 2:30 PM | Caine Room, Family Life Bldg., Utah State University
USU hosts poet, essayist, and Kenyon Review editor David Baker, who will discuss and share his wide-ranging work. Baker is the author of eleven collections of poetry and six books of prose. He is the recipient of awards and grants from the Guggenheim Foundation, National Endowment for the Arts, and the Mellon Foundation.

Logan
October 17, 6 PM | Lagoon Public Library
Essayist and memoirist Jennifer Sinor joins poet Richard Robbins for the Helicon West series at Logan Public Library. Sinor released two books in 2017 — Letters Like the Day: On Reading Georgia O’Keeffe, and the memoir, Ordinary Trauma. Robbins has published widely for decades and has a new and selected collection out this year titled Body Turn to Rain.

October 12, 7 PM | Lagoon Public Library

October 26, 7 PM | Logan Public Library
Helicon West presents poets Matthew Cooperman and Aby Kaupang. Cooperman is the author of five collections, most recently Spool. Kaupang is the author of two books, most recently Little "g" God Grows Tired of Me, and she is currently serving as the Poet Laureate of Fort Collins, Colorado.

Moab
September 28, 7 PM | Grand County Library
The Moab Festival of Science and the Grand County Library present novelist Sylvia Torti. Set in and around a research laboratory in which two scientists are experimenting on birds to discover the origins of memory and birdsong, Torti’s Cages is a complex interweaving of biological, philosophical, and mystical themes. Torti is Dean of the Honors College at the University of Utah.

October 6, 7 PM | Grand County Library
Return once more to a galaxy far, far away when Ian Doescher brings his sublime Shakespearean retelling of George Lucas’ epic Star Wars to the Grand County Library. 'Tis a tale told by fateful droids, full of faithful Wookiees and fearsome Stormtroopers, signifying ... pretty much everything.

October 10, 7 PM | Grand County Library
Former Utah Poet Laureate David Lee returns to the Grand County Library. Few poets working today have a keener eye for the complexities of small town life, mythology, and how the two blend together. Lee is the author of nearly twenty books and is professor emeritus at Southern Utah University.

October 17, 7 PM | Grand County Library
Explore the environmental history of the United States and its complex relationship with its national parks with historian Mark Fiege. Fiege is the author of The Republic of Nature and an editor for the collection National Parks Beyond the Nation: Global Perspectives on "America’s Best Idea.”

Ephraim
October 12, 12:30 PM | Eccles Center for Performing Arts
Convocations at Snow College present Utah’s first Poet Laureate, David Lee. Lee is the author of a dozen collections, most recently Bluebonnets, Firewheels, and Brown-eyed Susans, or, Poems New and Used From the Bandera Rag and Bone Shop. His collection News From Down to the Café was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize and, in 2001, he was a finalist for the position of United States Poet Laureate.

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October 19, 7 PM | Back of Beyond Books
Essayist and memoirist Jennifer Sinor discusses her new book on Georgia O’Keeffe, Letters Like the Day: On Reading Georgia O’Keeffe at Back of Beyond Books. Sinor is the author of two other books, including 2017’s memoir Ordinary Trauma.
What is Utah Humanities?

Utah Humanities empowers Utahns to improve their communities through active engagement in the humanities. In addition to our annual Book Festival, UH offers free public humanities programs throughout the state.

Our Center for Local Initiatives offers grants for a wide variety of locally created humanities projects, ranging from discussions to interpretive exhibits to oral histories. We also partner with groups interested in designing and hosting "community conversations" to discuss current issues and concerns through the perspectives of history, philosophy, and literature.

Our Center for Community Heritage offers Heritage Workshops to build capacity with museums and other groups involved in the preservation and interpretation of Utah's cultural heritage. Museums, community groups, schools, and many other organizations are able to fund their humanities projects through our grant lines and workshops.

In Ogden and Cedar City, our Center for Educational Access offers a free year-long college humanities course for non-traditional adult students called Venture. In Salt Lake City, we offer an accredited interdisciplinary humanities course for underserved 10th and 11th grade students called the Clemente Course. These courses have changed lives in measurable ways and nearly all of our graduates continue pursuing their education.

UH’s Center for the Book looks forward to welcoming you to the Book Festival each year for a celebration of reading and the pleasure and insight it brings. If you value programs like this Book Festival, please make a donation to UH online at www.utahhumanities.org or by mail at 202 West 300 North, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84103.

If you're interested in ideas, philosophy, history, books … in short, the entire human world around you, connect with us and stay in touch. Visit our website at www.utahhumanities.org, become a fan on Facebook at www.facebook.com/utahhumanitiescouncil, and Twitter at twitter.com/utahhumanities.

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Ogden

September 16, 10:30 AM | Pleasant Valley Branch, Weber County Library

Storytellers extraordinaire Karl Bgehling and Janine Nishiguchi will enchant children of all ages with tales from One Thousand and One Nights. From “Aladdin’s Wonderful Lamp” to “The Seven Voyages of Sindbad the Sailor,” audiences will be transported by magic carpet to other lands and other times.

September 22, 6:30 PM | Ogden Nature Center

Author and journalist Mark Sundeen visits the Ogden Nature Center to discuss his new book, The Unsettlers: In Search of the Good Life in Today’s America, a search for what a sustainable, ethical, authentic future might actually look like.

September 27, 7 PM | Ogden Union Station

Renowned poet and NEA fellow Eduardo Corral visits Ogden Union Station to share his work and take part in a live LITerally podcast interview with Kase Johnstun. Corral’s work has been praised for its seamless blending of English and Spanish and its tender treatment of history.

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September 28, 7 PM | Eccles Art Center

Weber Book Links will present its inaugural Distinguished Literary Arts Advocate Award to Dr. L. Mikel Vause. Vause will discuss his passion for the humanities, love for literature, and how these translate into action and change for a better local and global community.

October 4, 7 PM | Ogden Union Station

Professor and museum curator Ryan D. Paul will discuss the evolution of superhero comics and what they teach us about being human.

October 5, 6 PM | Room 312, Union Bldg., Weber State University

Weber State welcomes acclaimed essayist Jaquira Díaz. Díaz is the 2016-18 Kenyon Review Fellow in Prose, and recipient of two Pushcart Prizes, an Elizabeth George Foundation Grant, a Florida Individual Artist Fellowship, and an NEA Fellowship to the Hambidge Center for the Arts.

October 6, 7 PM | Ogden Union Station

October 7, 11 AM | Ogden High School
Join us for the 2nd Annual Science Fiction and Fantasy Day, hosted by Weber Book Links. The day will be filled with workshops, contests, and activities culminating in a special appearance from Brandon Mull. For more information and a schedule of events, visit: https://brandonnulloogdenvisit.wordpress.com/

October 7, 4 PM | Auditorium, Ogden High School
NY Times bestselling author Brandon Mull will be the keynote presenter at the 2nd Annual Science Fiction and Fantasy Day. Mull is the author of the acclaimed Fablehaven series as well as The Candy Shop War, the Beyonder trilogy, and numerous other popular young adult novels.

October 14, 6:30 PM | Ogden Union Station
Join us for a special Gwendolyn Brooks Centennial Reading. Students, professors, writers, and other Ogden community members will share Ms. Brooks’ work as a celebration of the centennial of her birth.

October 17, 6 PM | The Treehouse Museum
Join us at the Treehouse Museum for a special evening with author and illustrator Ashley Wolff for a book launch party for her new book Where, Oh Where, Is Baby Bear? There will be lots of bear-themed activities for the whole family. Wolff is the author and/or illustrator of more than 60 books for children.

October 26, 7 PM | Weber County Library, Pleasant Valley Branch
Join professional storyteller, Cherie Davis, as she brings to life terrifying tales of haunted locations around Utah. Young and old alike will be enthralled by Cherie’s spine tingling accounts from her new book, Spooks and Saints, Intriguing Ghost Legends of Salt Lake City.

October 27, 6:30 PM | Ogden Union Station
Murder Mystery at the Station. Join some of Ogden’s most talented improvisers as they lead you through the twists and turns of a hilarious literary murder mystery. Pre-registration required.

Orem
September 18, 7 PM | Orem Public Library
Orem Reads kicks off with a special visit from the Utah Shakespeare Festival PLAY Team, who tour the state doing educational outreach for Cedar City’s acclaimed annual festival and provide the perfect intro to this year’s book choice, Ally Condie’s Summerlost, which takes place in the midst of a theater festival.

September 25, 7 PM | Orem Public Library
Orem Reads presents Shakespeare for Families, a fun and informative crash course on The Bard and his work to get readers ready for this year’s Orem Reads book, Summerlost.

October 5, 7 PM | Orem Public Library
Writing books for students in middle grades can be tough, but Utah is a hotbed for this kind of literature, and Orem Reads wants to help out. Join them for a workshop on Writing for Middle Grades with Matthew Kirby, an acclaimed author of books for children and young adults.

October 16, 7 PM | Orem Public Library
Join us for the Orem Reads finale and a visit from the renowned author of Summerlost, Ally Condie. Summerlost is a poignant exploration of family and tragedy, friendship and healing, all set against the backdrop of a small town’s theatre festival.

October 25, 1 PM | Fulton Library Auditorium, Utah Valley University
Utah Valley University welcomes Jacqueline Keeler, Luci Tapahonso, Lyle Balenquah, and Heidi Erdrich, contributors to Torrey House Press’ Edge of Morning: Native Voices Speak for the Bear’s Ears. These four authors will discuss their work on the book and the issues surrounding access and autonomy for Native Americans in Utah’s newest monument.

Park City
September 14, 6:30 PM | Park City Public Library
Dr. John Day, M.D., author of The Longevity Plan: Seven Life-Transforming Lessons from Ancient China, will speak about his experience and lessons learned while living at the Longevity Village in China.

September 23, 5:30 PM | Park City Public Library
Mark Sundeen visits the Park City Public Library to discuss his book The Unsettlers: In Search of the Good Life in Today’s America, a chronicle of modern-day visionaries and iconoclasts yearning for “the simple life” in modern America.

September 30, 2 PM | Park City Public Library
The Park City Public Library welcomes the inimitable Shannon and Dean Hale along with their new Princess in Black adventure! Who is that masked avenger at the mysterious playdate? Join us and find out.

October 10, 11 AM | Silver Lodge at Deer Valley
Join Park City Friends of the Library at their annual luncheon. This year’s guest author is High West Distillery co-founder Jane Perkins, who will discuss her new book The Golden Elixir of the West: Whiskey and the Shaping of America. Tickets are $36 in advance and can be purchased at www.ParkCityLibrary.org/

October 18, 7 PM | Swaner Preserve & EcoCenter
Historian Mark Fiege visits the Swaner Preserve & EcoCenter to discuss his book The Republic of Nature as well as his work on national parks in the United States and around the world. Fiege is the Wallace Stegner Chair in Western American Studies at Montana State University.

Provo
September 21, 11 AM | Room B192, JFSB Building, Brigham Young University
The Charles Redd Center for Western Studies presents historian Benjamin Madley, who will discuss his new book, An American Genocide: The United States and the California Indian Catastrophe.

October 3, 6 PM | Pioneer Book
Rock Canyon Poets are pleased to present a free, multi-session community poetry writing workshop entitled “Inspired.” Facilitators will help participants create new work in response to discussions, writing prompts and exercises. The second half of the workshop will take place on October 16. For more information, contact rockcanyonpoets@gmail.com.

October 5, 7:30 PM | Enliten Bakery & Café
The Speak for Yourself series at Enliten Bakery hosts poet Matthew Minicucci, author of Small Gods. Small Gods draws from sources as heterogeneous as the Pauline letters, the natural sciences, mathematics, and astronomy in order to explore, inhabit, celebrate, and mourn the mutability of love and the vulnerabilities of attachment.

October 12, Noon | Harold B. Lee Library, Brigham Young University
BYU hosts novelist Margot Singer, who will discuss and share work from her new novel Underground Fugue. Singer is also the author of the award-winning collection Pale of Settlement.

Roy
October 4, 6 PM | Southwest Branch, Weber County Library
Come talk fiction with a variety of different local authors. This event will feature a panel with Judy Baker, Marie Higgins, Mary Martinez, Stanalei Fletcher, Karla Jay, and Patricia G. Stevenson as well as workshops from Lisa Dawn Macdonald, Johnny Worthen, and Aaron Yeager.

October 10, 6:30 PM | Southwest Branch, Weber County Library
Why does Hollywood love Utah so much? Come meet film historian and author James D’Arc and learn about the long history of film in Utah. Then stick around for a screening of the family favorite The Sandlot, much of which was filmed in Ogden.
Weller Book Works
Events Calendar

607 Trolley Square, Salt Lake City
https://www.wellerbookworks.com

Tuesdays, September 12, 19, & 26; October 5, 12, 19, & 26 at 9 AM
Breakfast Club with Catherine Weller at co-sponsor Coffee Connection! Have a cup of coffee and danish with Catherine Weller, who has all your early morning book news and gossip.

Monday, September 11, 8 PM

Wednesdays, September 13, 27; October 11, 25 at 6 PM
Lit Knit with Catherine the Knit Chick. Join Catherine the Knit Chick for crafts and conversation.

Sunday, September 24, 3 PM
Wine Drinkers with a Reading Problem Book Club. In partnership with We Olive, we present a different culinary-themed title for discussion over wine and small plates at We Olive Trolley Square. September’s title is Kitchen Confidential: Adventures in the Culinary Underbelly by Anthony Bourdain.

Friday, September 30, 6:30 PM
Collector’s Book Salon. This salon will feature Madelyn Garrett, head of the Rare Books Division at the University of Utah J. Willard Marriott Library and organizer of the University’s Book Arts Program.

Friday, October 6, 7 PM
Virginia Webb, Wildcats, Wagons, Wives, and Wardens. Webb’s book gives the male perspective of living polygamy. Raised in the early 20th century in the hills and valleys around the Utah/Idaho border, Albert joins his father in leaving the LDS Church to live plural marriage, going to prison twice for choosing to do so.

Saturday, October 7, 7 pm
Emily Clark, Art Triumphant: Art Triumphant is Emily Clark’s first collection of poetry and features 25 poems covering wide-ranging topics such as: art, writing, love, life, philosophy, religion, history, and politics.

September 8, 7 PM | Sorenson Unity Center
Join Friends of the Great Salt Lake for the 4th Annual Alfred Lambourne Prizes. Prizes in visual and literary arts will be awarded and work from the competition will be on display. The Prizes were established as an annual recognition and celebration of regional creativity inspired by our inland sea.

September 14, 7 PM | Finch Lane Gallery
Poet and labor activist Rodrigo Toscano visits the Finch Lane Gallery as part of the Guest Writers Series. He is the author of five poetry collections and works for the Labor Institute in conjunction with the United Steelworkers, the National Institute for Environmental Health Science, Communication Workers of America, and National Day Laborers Organizing Network.

September 15, 7 PM | Finch Lane Gallery
Bring your lunch and plenty of questions to a lunchtime colloquium with poet, playwright, and labor activist Rodrigo Toscano at Finch Lane Gallery. Toscano is the author of several collections of poetry, including Deck of Deeds and Explosion Rocks Springfield.

September 15, 7 PM | Weller Book Works
Weller Book Works hosts poets Franny Choi and Abraham Smith. Choi is a writer, performer, and teaching artist as well as the author of Floating, Brilliant, Gone. Smith is the author of two collections, most recently Only Jesus Could Icefish in Summer, and a recent addition to Weber State’s English faculty.

September 16, 8 PM | Sugar Space
Adrian Todd Zuniga is back for the fifth installment of Literary Death Match in Salt Lake City! Highbrow meets lowbrow on-stage in this literary game show. The contestants this year are Franny Choi, Abraham Smith, Josh Hanagarne, and Danielle Susi while the judges are KRCL’s Lara Jones, SLUG’s Alexander Ortega, and Red Fred Project founder Dallas Graham. Tickets are $10 in advance and can be purchased at http://thesugar.space/buy-tickets/. Doors open at 7 p.m., show at 8 p.m.

September 19, 7 PM | Tower Theatre
Weller Book Works and Salt Lake Film Society present author, actor and producer Bruce Campbell at the Tower Theatre as part of his Hail to the Chin tour. Join in the Last Fan Standing game show and qualify to be one of four fans on-stage with Bruce in a winner-take-all fan extravaganza! Tickets available at http://www.bruce-campbell.com/booktour-saltlakecity

September 20, 7 PM | 4th Floor Conference Room, The City Library
City Art presents poet Adam Gianelli and essayist and travel writer Kase Johnstun. Gianelli’s debut, Tremendous Hinge, is just out from University of Iowa Press. Johnstun is a widely published travel writer and hosts the LITerally podcast.

September 21, 7 PM | Gore School of Business Auditorium, Westminster College
The Anne Newman Sutton Weeks series welcomes poets Jay Hopler and Evie Shockley to Westminster College. Hopler’s The Abridged History of Rainfall was a National Book Award finalist, and Shockley is the author of the new black and a critical study titled Renegade Portics.

September 23, 7 PM | Auditorium, The City Library
Join Utah Humanities and the City Library for a live recording of PRX’s Live Wire with Luke Burbank. Live Wire is a weekly one-hour variety show with a modern twist. It blends music from up-and-coming artists, original sketch comedy, spoken word, and interviews with writers, filmmakers, comedians, and people who think cool thoughts. Live Wire pairs the shared experience of theater with the intimacy of radio to connect communities. More info can be found on the Utah Humanities Book Festival website.

September 25, 7 PM | Weller Book Works
Join us at Weller Book Works for “Writing About Rights,” featuring poets Robert Terashima and Rob Carney. Terashima’s Isei and Other Poems strikes an important chord at this time of collective amnesia we find ourselves in, telling the story of his own family living under the Oriental Exclusion proclamation of 1907. Carney is the author of four books, most recently 88 Maps, and writes a column called “Old Roads, New Stories” for Terrain.org.

September 27, 7 PM | 4th Floor Conference Room, The City Library
City Art presents poets Matthew Cooperman and Aby Kaupang. Both Cooperman and Kaupang have authored numerous books and chapbooks. They have also collaborated on a number of works, most notably the ongoing projects NOS (disorder, not otherwise specified) and Jungle Book: A Memoir of Abilities. The Anne Newman Sutton Weeks series welcomes poets Jay Hopler and Evie Shockley to Westminster College. Hopler’s The Abridged History of Rainfall was a National Book Award finalist, and Shockley is the author of the new black and a critical study titled Renegade Portics.

September 28, 3:30 PM | LNCO Building, University of Utah Campus
Matthew Cooperman and Aby Kaupang visit the University of Utah to discuss their work and ongoing collaborative projects. Cooperman is the author of five books and a professor at Colorado State University. Kaupang is the author of two books and the current Poet Laureate of Fort Collins, Colorado.
September 28, 3:30 PM | LNCO 1110, University of Utah
The University of Utah hosts historian Phil Deloria, author of numerous books, including *Indians in Unexpected Places* and *Playing Indian*. Deloria is a specialist in Native American history and the history of the American West and is a Trustee of the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian.

September 28, 7 PM | Multipurpose Room, South City Campus
Salt Lake Community College welcomes award-winning poet Eduardo Corral. Corral is the author of *Slow Lightning* and the first Latino to win the Yale Younger Poets Prize. Among his many awards are an NEA fellowship and the *Discovery/The Nation* Award.

September 29, 10 AM | Art Access
Art Access and the VA Salt Lake City Health System invite all veterans and active duty military personnel to take part in a four-week *Veterans Poetry Writing Workshop*. Facilitated by Jon Sebb, this series will help participants through discussion of other poetic works and examination of both process and themes. Dates are 9/29, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20. Contact Heather Brown at the VA Medical Center at heather brown2@va.gov

September 30, 7 PM | The King’s English Bookshop
The King’s English hosts poet Dana Levin and essayist, memoirist, and brand new Utah Poet Laureate Paisley Rekdal. Levin is the author of four books, including last year’s *Banana Palace*. Rekdal’s new nonfiction book, *The Broken Country: On Trauma, a Crime, and the Continuing Legacy of Vietnam* will be released shortly before the event.

October 4, 7 PM | Auditorium, Utah Museum of Fine Arts
Art historian Hikmet Loe will discuss her new work on Land Art icon Robert Smithson and his Utah masterpiece Spiral Jetty. Loe’s presentation will be preceded by a special presentation of Smithson’s film *Spiral Jetty*.

October 4, 7 PM | 4th Floor Conference Room, The City Library
City Art presents Matthew Minicucci and Gaylord Brewer. Minicucci is the author of *Translation* as well as the recently released collection *Small Gods* from New Issues Press. Brewer’s most recent publication is a cookbook/memoir, *The Poet’s Guide to Food, Drink, & Desire*.

October 5, 7 PM | 4th Floor Conference Room, The City Library
Join Artes de Mexico en Utah as they present the *Fifth Annual Sor Juana Prizes in Poetry and Short Stories*. Prizes will be awarded for two poems and two short stories written in Spanish by high school students and adults residing in Utah with one category for those whose primary language is Spanish and another for those for whom Spanish is a second language. The Sor Juana Prizes are the first statewide prize for original writing in Spanish.

October 6, 12 PM | Finch Lane Gallery
The Hive Mind Book Club presents a discussion with authors David Baker and Philip Schaefer. Schaefer’s collection, *Bad Summon*, was the 2016 Agha Shahid Ali Poetry Prize winner and Baker was the judge who selected Schaefer’s book.

October 6, 7 PM | Clubhouse on South Temple
Join us for an evening of lovingly competitive storytelling at *The Bee: True Stories from the Hive*! Ten storytellers picked at random from a hat have five minutes each to tell a true story on the theme of the night without notes. Bring your friends. Have a drink. Laugh. Cry. Bee entertained. Doors at 6 PM, stories at 7 PM. Tickets are $18 and are available at thebeeslc.org. This event is 21+.

October 11, 7 PM | 4th Floor Conference Room, The City Library
City Art welcomes novelist Sylvia Torti and poet Richard Robbins. Torti’s new book, *Cages*, is a complex interweaving of biological, philosophical, and mystical themes. Robbins’ new book, *Body Turn to Rain* is a new and selected collection that showcases several decades of poetic work.

October 12, 7 PM | The King’s English Bookshop

October 14, 10 AM | Art Access
The personal essay is the backbone of contemporary creative nonfiction, and many essays are means of exploring trauma or loss. Such work helps create both empathy and community for those with like experience. Art Access invites those interested in the form to take part in a four-week *Writing Through Grief: Personal Essay Writing workshop*. Dates are 10/14, 10/21, 10/28, and 11/4. Cost: $30. Contact elise@accessart.org for more details and to register.

October 15, 2 PM | The King’s English Bookshop
Join author/illustrator duo Mac Barnett and Jon Klassen for a special storytime for their new picture book, *The Wolf, the Duck, and the Mouse*. With a nod to traditional fables and a wink to the reader, the award-winning Barnett and Klassen offer a tale of cooperation and creative cuisine that is sure to go down easy. Places in the signing line are reserved for those who buy a copy of *The Wolf, the Duck, and the Mouse* from The King’s English.

October 17, 7 PM | Auditorium, The City Library
Join Guest Writers Series and The Utah Film Center for a special screening of *A Late Style of Fire: Larry Levis, American Poet*. This innovative documentary explores Levis’ childhood working alongside Mexican-American field hands, his three marriages, friendships with America’s greatest poets, and his own words. Director Michele Poulos will be present for a discussion after the screening.

October 18, 12 PM | Finch Lane Gallery
Join Michele Poulos, director of *A Late Style of Fire: Larry Levis, American Poet*, for a lunchtime colloquium at Finch Lane Gallery. Poulos will discuss her work on the film as well as her time spent researching Levis and his work.

October 18, 7 PM | 4th Floor Conference Room, The City Library
Essayist and memoirist Jennifer Sinor joins poet and essayist Michael Sowder for the City Art series. Sowder released two books in 2017 — *Letters Like the Day: On Reading Georgia O’Keeffe* and the memoir, *Ordinary Trauma*. Sowder is the author of three books, including *House Under the Moon* and *Whitman’s Ecstatic Union*. 

The King’s English Bookshop Events Calendar
1511 South 1500 East, Salt Lake City
http://www.kingsenglish.com/

Friday, September 15, 7 PM
Singer-songwriter Dar Williams | *What I Found in a Thousand Towns*

Thursday, October 5, 7 PM
Craig Harline | *A World Ablaze: The Rise of Martin Luther and the Birth of the Reformation*

Friday, October 13, 7 PM
Mylene Dressler | *The Last to See Me*

Saturday, October 14, 7 PM
At the Sandy Library, 10100 Petunia Way
Craig Johnson: *The Western Star*

Wednesday, October 18, 7 PM
Paul Cohen | *The Glamshack*

Friday, October 27, 7 PM
Annette McGivney | *The Pure Land*
The Tanner Humanities Center presents authors Zadie Smith and Michael Chabon in conversation for the 2017 Tanner Lecture on Human Values. Zadie Smith is a tenured professor of Creative Writing at New York University. Michael Chabon is the chairman of the board of directors at the MacDowell Colony. Both are bestselling novelists whose works have received numerous awards.

October 25, 7 PM | 4th Floor Conference Room, The City Library

Poet Jonathan Travelstead returns to City Art where he will be joined by author and visual artist Kathline Carr. Travelstead’s *Conflict Tours* was released in 2017 by Cobalt Press, and Carr’s debut collection, the hybrid text *Miraculum Monstrum*, is out shortly from Red Hen Press.

October 26, 7 PM | Gore School of Business Auditorium, Westminster College

Lisa Bickmore and Lia Purpura visit Westminster College as part of the Anne Newman Sutton Weeks Series. Bickmore’s *flicker* won the Ballymaloe International Poetry Prize. Purpura is the author of eight collections of poetry, essays, and translations.

Spanish Fork
October 27, 6:30 PM | Larsen Elementary School

Luci Tapahonso and Jacqueline Keeler visit Spanish Fork to discuss their contributions to Torrey House Press’ *Edge of Morning: Native Voices Speak for the Bear’s Ears* as part of the Nebo School District Indian Education Program. Tapahonso and Keeler are prominent Native American voices in literature and journalism and will share their stories of working with numerous tribes on issues tied to the Bears Ears Monument.

St. George
October 7, 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM | Gardener Center, Dixie State University

The *Tween Author Boot Camp* returns to St. George! *Tween Author Boot Camp* is a non-profit event geared to youth ages 9 to 12 years old. It is formatted like a mini writing conference. *Tween ABC* has classes from the tweens’ favorite authors, including NY Times bestsellers, door prizes and dinner. There is an optional writing contest and a book signing at the end of the conference.

West Jordan
October 10, 7 PM | Viridian Event Center, West Jordan Library

As part of their ongoing programming tied to Ken Burns’ new documentary *The Vietnam War*, KUED and Salt Lake County Library Services present Utah Poet Laureate Paisley Rekdal. Rekdal will discuss her new nonfiction work *The Broken Country: On Trauma, a Crime, and the Continuing Legacy of Vietnam*. Rekdal is author of seven other books, including five poetry collections and two memoirs.

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