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Pre-NBF Webinar for Educators





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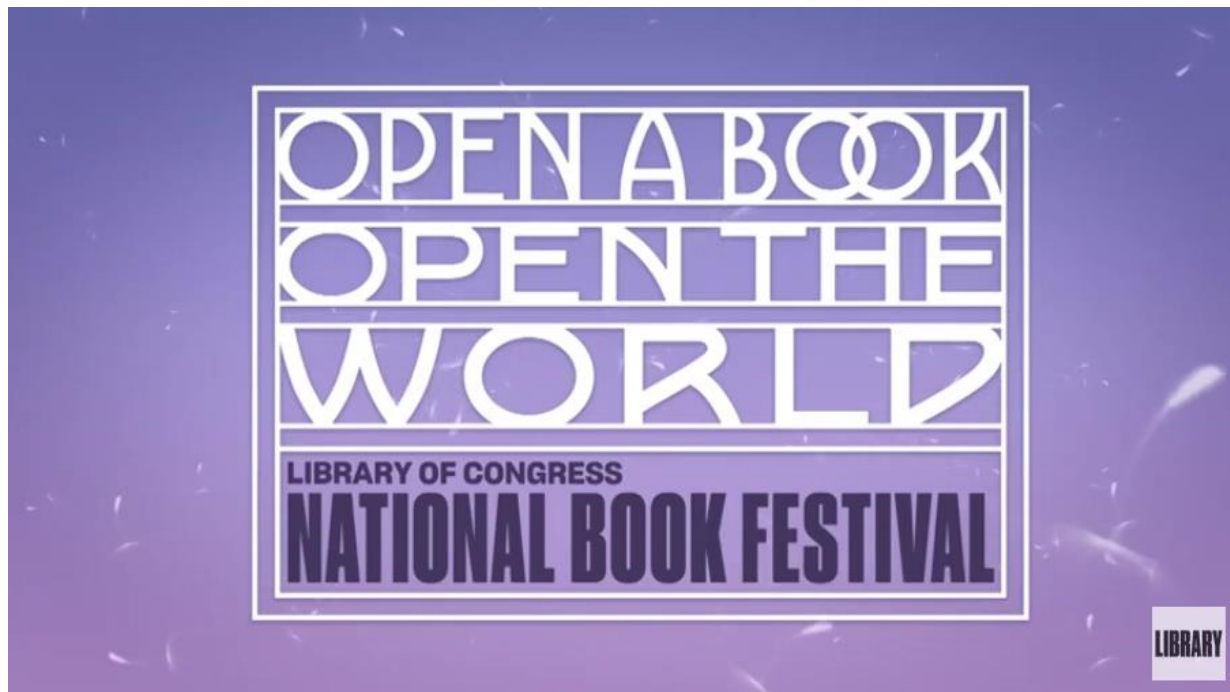
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We're glad you're here!

Use the chat to introduce yourselves. Let us know:

- **Your first name**
- **Where you're joining us from**
- **Grade level and subject(s) you teach**



Promo clip for the "Open a Book, Open the World" PBS special, hosted by LeVar Burton,
premieres Sunday, September 12, 6pm ET



In the chat, complete the following sentence stem:

I am _____ about the National Book

Festival because _____.




About This Year's Festival

- September 17-26, with the theme “Open a Book, Open the World”
- Online and interactive, featuring over 100 authors and illustrators
- Free to attend – via loc.gov/bookfest
- The Festival will offer live online events, on-demand videos, presentations by LOC experts, and local events in your community.
- PBS specials, an NPR podcast series, and interviews on Washington Post Live will also be included.

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- On-demand videos for all genres, including content for children and teens, will be available online on Friday, September 17 at 10am ET.
 - Live conversations will be hosted in the afternoons on weekdays and weekends.
 - Live Q&As with teens' and children's authors will take place on Saturday, September 25 and Sunday, September 26, respectively.
 - Participants can ask authors questions via a moderated Q&A system. (Registration is required to ask questions.)



NBF Website:
www.loc.gov/bookfest

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2021 National Book Festival

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2021 National Book Festival

Create your National Book Festival experience with the Library of Congress in 2021 by engaging in author conversations online, watching the broadcast special on PBS, listening to NPR podcasts, tuning in to Washington Post Live author interviews and attending a ticketed event at the Library. Join us for an expanded Festival, Sept. 17-26, a 10-day event with the theme, "Open a Book, Open the World."

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2021 Authors

Discover New Authors & Beloved Favorites

Check out more than 100 of the nation's best authors, poets and illustrators, who will discuss their work and answer your questions at your National Book Festival.

A

- Elliot Ackerman
- Jennifer Ackerman
- Noé Álvarez
- Kristen Arnett

B

- Derrick Barnes
- Catherine Belton
- Brit Bennett
- Kai Bird
- Sophie Blackall
- LeVar Burton

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- Kacen Callender
- Olivia Campbell
- Traci Chee
- P. Djèlí Clark
- Jay Coles

D

- Stacy Davidowitz
- Rep. Sharice Davids
- Kate DiCamillo

M

- Tahereh Mafi
- Kekla Magoon
- Katherine May
- Alice McDermott
- Heather McGhee
- Meg Medina
- Alex Michaelides
- Sue Miller
- Silvia Moreno-Garcia

N

- David Nasaw
- Trung Le Nguyen
- Viet Thanh Nguyen
- Janice P. Nimura
- Lupita Nyong'o

O

- James Oakes

P

- Christopher Paolini
- Matt Parker
- Sarah Pearse
- Deesha Philyaw

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2021 Schedule

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Schedule

The 2021 Library of Congress National Book Festival is Sept. 17-26, with live author conversations every day. On Sept. 17 at 10 a.m. ET, 35 video-on-demand programs will become available to watch anytime. This year's Festival also features interactive presentations with Library of Congress experts, a national television special and related events on PBS, NPR podcasts, and author interviews on Washington Post Live. Check out Festival Near You to discover related events from local organizations.

Festival Events	Video On-Demand	Partner Events	Festival Near You
Date Friday, September 17, 2021	Format All Formats	Genre All Genres Children Teens Current Events	Clear Apply

NOTE: Using the "Add to Calendar" tool places individual events in your personal calendar. It does not constitute a reservation or ticket to the event.

[Download a printable version of the complete live event schedule \(PDF 895KB\)](#)

Available starting
September 17, 2021
10:00 am EDT

FILM, VIDEO Video On-Demand

Watch videos from 44 of this year's participating authors, including Kazuo Ishiguro, Roxane Gay, Silvia Moreno-Garcia, Michael J. Fox and Angie Thomas. See what they have to say about their latest works at the 2021 National Book Festival.

[See all videos »](#)

Friday September 17, 2021

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4:00 pm - 4:30 pm EDT
[Add to calendar](#)

Online Only

EVENT | LECTURES AND SYMPOSIA

Live Conversation with Kelli Jo Ford and Toni Jensen

Kelli Jo Ford, author of "Crooked Hallelujah" (Grove), and Toni Jensen, author of "Carry: A Memoir of Survival on Stolen Land" (Ballantine), discuss their new books with Nick Martin, the Indigenous Affairs desk editor at High Country News and a contributing editor at The New Republic.

More information at [loc.gov](#).

Genre: Poetry & Prose

Friday
September 17, 2021
5:00 pm - 5:30 pm EDT
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EVENT | LECTURES AND SYMPOSIA

Live Conversation with Eric Eyre and Patrick Radden Keefe

Eric Eyre, author of "Death in Mud Lick: A Coal Country Fight Against the Drug Companies That Delivered the Opioid Epidemic" (Scribner), and Patrick Radden Keefe, author of "Empire of Pain: The Secret History of the Sackler Dynasty" (Doubleday), discuss their new books with Washington Post reporter Sari Horwitz.

More information at [loc.gov](#).

Genre: Current Events

Friday
September 17, 2021
6:00 pm - 6:30 pm EDT

EVENT | LECTURES AND SYMPOSIA

Live Conversation with Sarah Frier and Anna Wiener

VIRTUAL LIVE EVENT SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

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12:00 pm		T Jason Reynolds								
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4:00 pm	P Kelli Jo Ford, Toni Jensen	S Mary Roach, Suzanne Simard	H Joseph J. Ellis		F Kristin Hannah, Maggie Shipstead	S Olivia Campbell, Janice P. Nimura	L Hawa Hassan, Marcus Samuelsson	H Julia Swelg, Karen Tumulty	T Traci Chee	D Mindy Thomas
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7:00 pm	L LeVar Burton		F Elliot Ackerman, Adm. James Stavridis		L Adrienne Raphel, Will Shortz	S Avi Loeb	L Rodney Scott, Trisha Yearwood	P Francine J. Harris, Patrick Rosal	P Nikk Giovanni	

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PBS

Watch a national television special produced with PBS Books, which [premieres on Sept. 12 at 6 p.m. ET](#). (Check your local listings for broadcast times in your area.) You can also watch the special via online livestream or [on the National Book Festival website](#). In addition, your local PBS station may also sponsor related events with Festival authors, listed below.

[PBS Books Author Talk: Silvia Moreno-Garcia](#)

August 24, 2021, 8 p.m. ET

[PBS Books Author Talk: Martha Wells](#)

August 25, 2021, 8 p.m. ET

[PBS Books Author Talk: Sarah Pearse](#)

August 31, 2021, 8 p.m. ET

[PBS Books Author Talk: Viet Thanh Nguyen](#)

September 2, 2021, 8 p.m. ET

[PBS Books Author Talk: Christopher Paolini](#)

September 8, 2021, 8 p.m. ET

[PBS Books Author Talk: Annette Gordon-Reed](#)

September 13, 2021, 8 p.m. ET

[PBS Books Author Talk: Tana French](#)

September 15, 2021, 6 p.m. ET

[PBS Books Author Talk: Maria Hinojosa](#)

September 16, 2021, 8 p.m. ET

NPR

Listen to several podcast interviews with Festival authors on the go from NPR. Available on your favorite podcast app and online.

The Washington Post

Tune in to author interviews on Washington Post Live.

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Sessions with LOC Subject Specialists



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You can also explore these events by state and discover Great Reads from Great Places through the [Festival Near You interactive map](#).

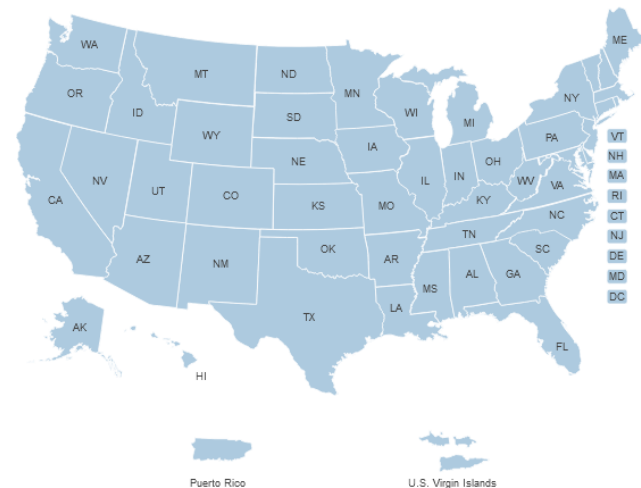
Local Events

Event	Date	State
Story Walk	Sep 1-30, 2021	Connecticut
NC Culture Storywalk	Sep 13-30, 2021	North Carolina
Young Children's Stories from the Sunshine State: Celebrating the 2021 National Book Festival	Sep 13, 2021	Florida
Mack's Corner with NoNieqa Ramos, author of "Your Mama" (Virginia selection for 2021 Great Reads)	Sep 14, 2021	Virginia
Watch Party: National Book Festival Conversation with Trung Le Nguyen	Sep 17, 2021	Colorado
Watch Party: Conversation with Derrick Barnes	Sep 17, 2021	Louisiana
Watch Party: National Book Festival Conversation with Tana French	Sep 18, 2021	Colorado
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Gothic Horror with Silvia Moreno-Garcia & Sarah Pearse	Sep 21, 2021	Connecticut
Watch Party: Conversation with Kacen Callender	Sep 21, 2021	Louisiana

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Mack's Corner with NoNieqa Ramos, author of "Your Mama" (Virginia selection for 2021 Great Reads) [🔗](#)

September 14, 2021 | 12:00 pm EDT | Online

Virginia Center for the Book

Author and educator NoNieqa Ramos reads from and discusses her debut picture book, "Your Mama" (Versify), in the inaugural episode of the new virtual series for young readers, Mack's Corner, from the Virginia Center for the Book.

[View all state events nationwide »](#)

Great Reads from Great Places

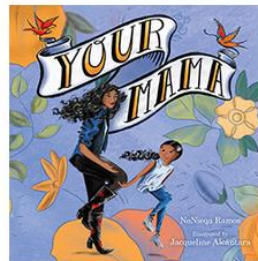
"Your Mama" by NoNieqa Ramos

Age: 4-7 years

"Your Mama" (Versify) celebrates fierce moms with its playful lyricism and beautiful illustrations. This children's book twists the age-old "yo' mama" joke into a point of pride that honors the love, hard work and dedication of mamas everywhere.

NoNieqa Ramos currently lives in Virginia. She is an educator, literary activist and writer of picture books and young adult literature.

[Virginia Center for the Book](#) [🔗](#)
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Conversation with
Rebecca Newland,
a school librarian in
Fairfax, VA



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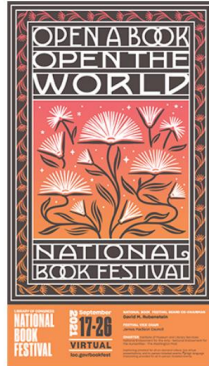
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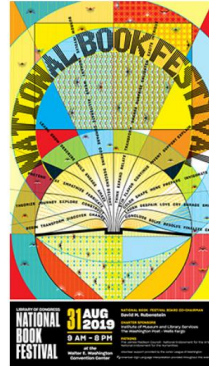
2020

Poster design by Rodrigo Corral

Studio and Tyler Comrie
Illustration and animation by Justin Metz

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2019

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2018

Artist: Gaby D'Alessandro

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- ✓ **NBF Poster Gallery:** loc.gov/programs/national-book-festival/about-this-program/poster-gallery
- ✓ **NBF Blog:** blogs.loc.gov/national-book-festival
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