Welcome!

The webinar will start at 7PM ET.

While you wait, check out this promo clip for the National Book Festival:

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The National Book Festival for Educators: Twenty Years in the Making
Welcome! We’re glad you’re here!

Use the chatbox to introduce yourselves. Let us know:

- Your first name
- Where you’re joining us from
- Grade level and subject(s) you teach
What Is the Library of Congress?

- Founded in 1800, it is the oldest federal cultural institution in the U.S.

- **Mission**: “Engage, inspire, and inform Congress and the American people with a universal and enduring source of knowledge and creativity.”

- We collect **more than just books**! (Think: manuscripts, maps, audio recordings, films, prints, photographs, and more!)

- Main location in Washington, D.C., but we also have facilities in MD, VA, and various locations internationally.
Did you know? The Library of Congress...

- Houses over **170 million items**. (And more than **35 million** in digital collections!)
- Contains over **830 miles of bookshelves**.
- Has **470 languages** represented in its collections.
- Home to the **U.S. Copyright Office**, the **Congressional Research Service**, the **Law Library** of Congress, and the **National Library for the Blind and Print Disabled**.
Complete the Following Sentence Stem:

I am ________________ about the National Book Festival because ____________________________.
• September 25-27, 2020

• Online and interactive, featuring over 120 authors

• Free to attend, but registration is required. Starting September 17, register via www.loc.gov/bookfest.

• The festival will offer live event platforms and on-demand videos featuring authors.

• Participants can ask authors questions via a moderated Q&A system.
On-demand videos for the children and teens stages will be available online on Friday, September 25 at 9 AM. This includes two hour-long specials featuring all the children’s authors (hosted by Jon Scieszka) and all the teen authors (hosted by Jason Reynolds).

Content for the other stages will be published on Saturday, September 26 at 9 AM.

Interactive information “booths” will showcase resources and projects related to the Library of Congress, affiliates, and some NBF sponsors.
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Schedule

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Children

Jessica Curry and Parker Curry Live Q&A

Friday
September 25, 2020
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm EDT
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Megan McDonald Live Q&A

Saturday
September 26, 2020
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm EDT
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Angela Domínguez Live Q&A

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Children  Fiction  Poetry & Prose
Teens  Genre Fiction  Science
Family, Food & Field  History & Biography  Understanding Our World

Children

Angela Dominguez
Available Friday, September 25, 2020

From award-winning author-illustrator Angela Dominguez comes “Stella Díaz Never Gives Up” (Roaring Brook), a story about a shy Mexican-American girl who becomes an environmental activist and makes a difference in her community.

Barb Rosenstock
Available Friday, September 25, 2020

In “Leave It to Abigail!: The Revolutionary Life of Abigail Adams” (Little, Brown), Caldecott-winner Barb Rosenstock and artist Elizabeth Baddeley tell the story of one of the greatest founding mothers, Abigail Adams, wife and helpmeet of President John Adams, and mother of President John Quincy Adams.

Chelsea Clinton
Available Friday, September 25, 2020

From the former first daughter Chelsea Clinton and the illustrator Alexandra Boiger, the bestselling team behind "She Persisted," comes a new book launching at the Festival. "She Persisted in Sports: American Olympians Who Changed the Game" (Philomel), featuring women athletes who overcame all the odds and inspired the world.

Dan Brown
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Festivalgoers are encouraged to follow themed journeys in our Timely Topic Threads, including "Democracy in the 21st Century," "Fearless Women" and "Hearing Black Voices." You can dive deeper into these themes by viewing the author presentations and interviews below, divided into age-appropriate groupings.

**Democracy in the 21st Century**

Democracies around the world are in transition and, sometimes, in turmoil. The Democracy in the 21st Century Timely Topic Thread gives readers the chance to explore where democracy stands today – through the lens of history as well as through recent adverse events.

**Fearless Women**

During this year of celebrating the centennial of the passage of the 19th Amendment, which gave women the long-overdue right to vote, we offer an in-depth look at the Fearless Women who have fought for suffrage, broken glass ceilings, overcome abuse and demonstrated to the world their right to equality. Sponsored by the Women’s Suffrage Centennial Commission, this thread is for readers of all ages.

**Hearing Black Voices**

Hearing Black Voices presents a diverse range of genres and points of view – from racism’s harsh realities and science fiction’s fantastical scenarios to lyrical poetry and searing memoir. For young people, there are books ranging from anti-racism and the little-known story of the Father of the Underground Railroad to Black women who have crashed through barriers to membership in STEM.
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For Children
For Teens

For Adults: Democracy in History

For Adults: Leaders Past & Present
For Adults: Democracies Today

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For Children

Don Tate
Available Friday, September 25, 2020

"William Still and His Freedom Stories: The Father of the Underground Railroad" (Peachtree) is the remarkable, little-known story of William Still, known as the Father of the Underground Railroad, from award-winning author-illustrator Don Tate.

Veronica Chambers
Available Friday, September 25, 2020

In "Finish the Fight!: The Brave and Revolutionary Women Who Fought for the Right to Vote" (Versify), Veronica Chambers tells about the women who were at the forefront of the fight to claim their right to vote 100 years ago. That includes Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, of course, but also many others you may never have heard about and women from diverse backgrounds—Black, Asian, Latino, Native American and more.

Deborah Hopkinson
At this year’s National Book Festival, each author talks about the idea of “American Ingenuity.”

What does “American Ingenuity” mean to you?

Let us know in the chatbox!
• Each author talks about the idea of “American Ingenuity.” Encourage students to ask themselves what “American Ingenuity” means to them. Then, invite them to select 1-2 authors to listen to, and think about how they define “American ingenuity.” How do your students’ definitions compare to those of the authors they chose?

• What issues matter most to your students? Which perspectives, ideas, or people do they wish they could learn more about? Invite students to choose a Timely Topic Thread (Democracy, Fearless Women, or Hearing Black Voices) to explore.
More Activity Ideas

• We are getting a peek into the home lives and work spaces of authors. As the authors are speaking, **ask students to consider what these authors surround themselves with as they work, and why?**

• Each state Center for the Book has chosen a book to represent its state. Invite students to find their state’s suggested book (**read.gov/greatreads**). **Ask them which book they would pick to represent their state.**

• **Share any other ideas you have in the chatbox!**
"Discover Great Places Through Reading": read.gov/greatreads
Tip: Check NBF website for information and updates on:

- Registration information
- Details on any additional programming
- NBF-themed merchandise

www.loc.gov/bookfest
NBF Poster Gallery:
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“The Library of Congress National Book Festival: Celebrating American Ingenuity”
(PBS special airing Sunday, September 27, 6-8 PM ET/PT)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=czH9DgQNf6o

For details, visit https://www.loc.gov/bookfest/

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