

**Tues, Sept 19 @ 10 am**

**Wed, Sept 20 @ 7 pm**

**Sept 2023: The Shadowy Horses by Susanna Kearsley** The invincible Ninth Roman Legion marches from York to fight the Northern tribes, and then vanishes from the pages of history. When Verity Grey goes looking for them in modern-day Scotland, she may find more than she bargained for.

**Tues, Oct 17 @ 10 am**

**Wed, Oct 18 @ 7 pm**

**Oct 2023: The Big Burn by Timothy Egan** Timothy Egan turns his historian's eye to the largest-ever forest fire in America and offers an epic, cautionary tale for our time. Egan recreates the struggles of the overmatched rangers against the implacable fire with unstoppable dramatic force, and the larger story of outsized president Teddy Roosevelt and his chief forester, Gifford Pinchot, that follows is equally resonant.



**Tues, Nov 14 @ 10 am**

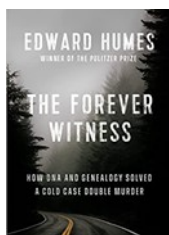
**Wed, Nov 15 @ 7 pm**

**Nov 2023: The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse by Charlie Mackesy** From British illustrator, artist, and author Charlie Mackesy comes a journey for all ages that explores life's universal lessons, featuring 100 color and black-and-white drawings. Mackesy offers inspiration and hope in this beautiful book, following the tale of a curious boy, a greedy mole, a wary fox and a wise horse who find themselves together in sometimes difficult terrain.

**Tues, Jan 16 @ 10 am**

**Wed, Jan 17 @ 7 pm**

**Jan 2023: West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge** It's 1938. The Great Depression lingers. Hitler is threatening Europe, and world-weary Americans long for wonder. They find it in two giraffes who miraculously survive a hurricane while crossing the Atlantic. What follows is a twelve-day road trip in a custom truck to deliver Southern California's first giraffes to the San Diego Zoo.



**Tues, Feb 20 @ 10 am**

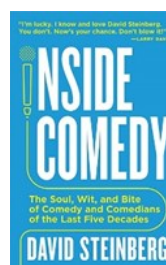
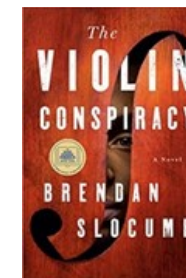
**Wed, Feb 21 @ 7 pm**

**Feb 2023: The Forever Witness: How DNA and Genealogy Solved a Cold Case Double Murder by Edward Humes** A relentless detective and a civilian genealogist solve a haunting cold case—and launch a crime-fighting revolution that tests the fragile line between justice and privacy.

**Tues, March 19 @ 10 am**

**Wed, March 20 @ 7 pm**

**March 2023: The Violin Conspiracy by Brendan Slocumb** Ray McMillian is a Black classical musician on the rise—undeterred by the pressure and prejudice of the classical music world—when a shocking theft sends him on a desperate quest to recover his great-great-grandfather's heirloom violin on the eve of the most prestigious musical competition in the world.



**Tues, April 16 @ 10 am**

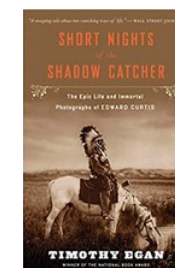
**Wed, April 17 @ 7 pm**

**Apr 2023: Inside Comedy by David Steinberg** In this entertaining history of comedy, Steinberg shares amusing and often hilarious stories and anecdotes from some of the most legendary comedians in the industry—from Groucho Marx, Carol Burnett, Mel Brooks, and Richard Pryor to Lily Tomlin, Robin Williams, Jerry Seinfeld, Julia Louis-Dreyfus, and Tina Fey.

**Tues, May 21 @ 10 am**

**Wed, May 15 @ 7 pm**

**May 2023: Short Nights of the Shadow Catcher by Timothy Egan** At once an incredible adventure narrative and a penetrating biographical portrait, Egan's book tells the remarkable untold story behind Edward Curtis's iconic photographs, following him throughout Indian country from desert to rainforest as he struggled to document the stories and rituals of more than 80 tribes.



**Tues, June 18 @ 10 am**

**Wed, June 19 @ 7 pm**

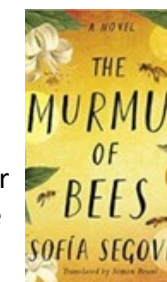
**June 2023: My Remarkable Journey by Katherine Johnson** The remarkable woman at the heart of the smash *New York Times* bestseller and Oscar-winning film *Hidden Figures* tells the full story of her life, including what it took to work at NASA, help land the first man on the moon, and live through a century of turmoil and change.



**Tues, July 16 @ 10 am**

**Wed, July 17 @ 7 pm**

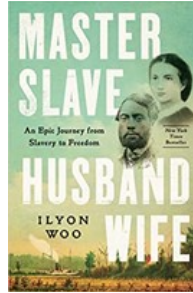
**July 2023: The Murmur of Bees by Sofia Segovia** From the day that old Nana Reja found a baby abandoned under a bridge, the life of a small Mexican town forever changed. Disfigured and covered in a blanket of bees, little Simonopio is for some locals the stuff of superstition. But he is welcomed by Francisco and Beatriz Morales, who adopt him and care for him as if he were their own. As he grows up, Simonopio becomes a cause for wonder, because when the uncannily gifted child closes his eyes, he can see visions of all that's yet to come, both beautiful and dangerous.



**Tues, Aug 20 @ 10 am**

**Wed, Aug 21 @ 7 pm**

**Aug 2023: Master Slave Husband Wife: An Epic Journey from Slavery to Freedom by Ilyon Woo** The remarkable true story of Ellen and William Craft, who escaped slavery through daring, determination, and disguise, with Ellen passing as a wealthy, disabled White man and William posing as “his” slave.



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