

Author Event

Lockdown Literature - Saturday, November 20, 1-4pm

Amid the mass COVID shutdowns in early 2020, a group of over 70 authors – whose books were released amid a pandemic – banded together to support one another, conduct virtual readings, and help promote members' work. The group, *Lockdown Literature*, includes novelists, memoirists, and even a Booker Prize winner.

Some of the *Lockdown Lit* authors will be gathering in person to meet for the first time on Saturday, Nov. 20 at 1 p.m. at Tatnuck Bookseller in Westborough. Organized by local author and *Lockdown Lit* member Meredith O'Brien – whose medical memoir, *Uncomfortably Numb*, about the life-altering impact of multiple sclerosis, was released in 2020 – the writers will read aloud from their work and be available to sign copies of their books.

Alice C. Early, *The Moon Always Rising* (novel)



Alice Early, a recovering international business workaholic, is a writer, singer, and avid cook, given to experimenting on guests with her gluten-free baking. *The Moon Always Rising* is her award-winning debut novel. She lives on Martha's Vineyard, apart from annual visits since 1996 to the Caribbean Island of Nevis where much of her novel is set.

Christina Chiu, *Beauty* (novel)



Christina Chiu is the grand-prize winner of the James Alan McPherson Award for her novel, *Beauty*, about an ambitious but conflicted woman navigating the world of fashion. She is also the author of *Troublemaker* and *Other Saints*, a nominee for several awards and the winner of the Asian American Literary Award. Chiu curates and co-hosts the Pen Parents Literary Salons in New York City. She received her MFA in writing from Columbia University.

Julian Tepper, *Between the Records* (novel)



Julian Tepper is the author of three novels, *Between the Records*, *Balls*, and *Ark*, as well as many essays including the notorious, "In Which Philip Roth Gave Me Life Advice," which originally appeared in *The Paris Review*. He lives in New York City.

Leslie Streeter, *Black Widow* (memoir)



Leslie Gray Streeter is an author, veteran journalist, playwright and speaker, whose memoir *Black Widow* – about the sudden death of her husband – was published in 2020. Until recently, she was the longtime entertainment and lifestyle columnist and writer for the *Palm Beach Post*. A native of Baltimore and a University of Maryland graduate, she and her work have been featured on *The Today Show*, in *The Atlantic*, the *Washington Post*, the *Miami Herald*, the *Seattle Times*, and *Oprah Magazine*.

Brad Fox, *To Remain Nameless* (novel)



Brad Fox is a writer living in New York. His stories, articles, and translations have appeared in *The New Yorker*, *Guernica*, and *The Whitney Biennial*. His latest novel, *To Remain Nameless* tells the story of two veteran humanitarian workers passing the night in a New York City labor-and-delivery ward where one is giving birth. It is a meditative, at times darkly comic novel exploring selfhood and the possibility of meaningful work.

David Daley, *Unrigged: How Americans Are Battling Back to Save Democracy* (nonfiction)



David Daley is the author of the national bestseller *Ratf**ked: Why Your Vote Doesn't Count* and *Unrigged: How Americans Are Battling Back to Save Democracy*. His journalism has appeared in the *New Yorker*, the *New York Times*, and *The Atlantic*. He is the former editor-in-chief of *Salon*. *Unrigged*, provides a playbook for how we fight back against a democracy under threat from partisan gerrymandering, and voter suppression, grounded in the very real and inspiring victories won by citizens in red, blue, and purple states like Maine, Florida, Michigan, and Ohio.

Michael Elias, *You Can Go Home Now* (novel)



Michael Elias is an award-winning writer, screenwriter, and playwright who was raised in the Catskills and lives in Los Angeles. His new novel, *You Can Go Home Now* is a thriller about a woman's search for the anti-abortion terrorist who murdered her physician father. He is also the author of *The Last Conquistador*, and wrote and directed Showtime's *Lush Life*.



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