

Event Schedule

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FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2024

5:00–6:00 PM **Reception** All ticket holders are welcome!

6:00 PM Keynote poem by **Luci Tapahonso**

6:10–7:30 PM **On the Big Stage with Jesmyn Ward**
Two-time National Book Award winner and bestselling author of *Sing, Unburied, Sing* and *Let Us Descend*
In conversation with Tracy K. Smith
Presented by La Fonda on the Plaza

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024

8:00–9:00 AM **Morning Meditation and Author Talk with Roshi Joan Halifax**
Buddhist teacher and social and environmental activist

9:15–10:30 AM **On the Big Stage with David Grann**
Bestselling author of *Killers of the Flower Moon*, *The Wager*, and *The Lost City of Z*
In conversation with Hampton Sides
Presented by Amy McCombs

11:00 AM–12:15 PM **On the Big Stage with Lynsey Addario** *keynote speaker*
Legendary conflict photographer and bestselling author of the memoir *It's What I Do*

12:00–1:00 PM **Lunch Break** Please enjoy live music in the courtyard. Bring lunch or visit the Jambo Cafe food truck.

1:00–2:00 PM **On Stage with John Vaillant**
2023 National Book Award finalist in nonfiction for *Fire Weather: A True Story from a Hotter World*
In conversation with William deBuys

On Stage with Arthur Sze and Wang Jiaxin
Arthur Sze, National Book Award-winning poet, and
Wang Jiaxin, award-winning poet, translator, and
educator—two legendary international stars talk poetry

SCHEDULE CONTINUES →

2:30–3:30 PM

On Stage with Tommy Orange

Pulitzer Prize finalist, winner of a National Book Critics Circle Award for *There There*, and author of *Wandering Stars*

In conversation with Ramona Emerson

On Stage with Tracy K. Smith

Former U.S. poet laureate, Pulitzer Prize winner, and author of *To Free the Captives: A Plea for the American Soul*

In conversation with Hakim Bellamy
Presented by Rebecca J. Duncan and Andrea and Don Fineberg

Walk & Talk: Georgia O’Keeffe Museum

Join us for a short walk to the Georgia O’Keeffe Museum Research Center to visit the museum’s library and archives and enjoy a short talk by a museum staff member, followed by a self-guided tour of the museum. (*Limited to 10*)

4:00–5:00 PM

On the Big Stage with Anthony Doerr

Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *All the Light We Cannot See*, *About Grace*, and *Cloud Cuckoo Land*

In conversation with Bryan Curtis
Presented by Virginia Hartman and Dana Manning

Spirits Tasting at Sazón



After a short walk from the Convention Center to nearby Sazón, join Chef Fernando Olea, winner of the James Beard Award for Best Chef of the Southwest, for an adventure into the spirits of Mexico where you will learn the differences between sotol, bacanora, tequila, and mezcal. The offering includes a flight of five mezcals, two flavors of sangritas, and a tasting of Olea’s famous moles.

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On the Big Stage with Julia Alvarez

Recipient of the National Medal of Arts and renowned author of *How the García Girls Lost Their Accents*, *In the Time of the Butterflies*, and the just-released *The Cemetery of Untold Stories*

In conversation with Manuel Muñoz
Presented by Cindi and Michael Pettit

SCHEDULE CONTINUES →

Celebrate the power of story. Books by Festival authors are available to buy with your ticket purchase, and can be picked up at the Festival.

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2024

8:00–9:00 AM

Morning Meditation and Author Talk with **Natalie Goldberg**

Legendary writing teacher and author of *Writing Down the Bones*

9:15–10:30 AM

On the Big Stage with **Kai Bird**

Pulitzer Prize-winning historian and biographer of Robert Oppenheimer, Jimmy Carter, and others

In conversation with James McGrath Morris

11:00 AM–12:15 PM

On the Big Stage with **Patrick Radden Keefe** *keynote speaker*

Revered investigative journalist for *The New Yorker* and author of *Empire of Pain*, *Say Nothing*, and *Rogues: True Stories of Grifters, Killers, Rebels and Crooks*

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1:00–2:00 PM

On Stage with **Hua Hsu**

Pulitzer Prize and National Book Critics Circle Award winner for the memoir *Stay True*

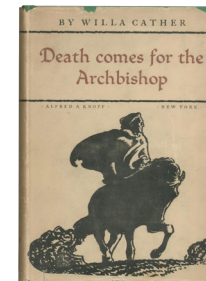
In conversation with Bryan Curtis

Walk & Talk: **Chocolate Immersion**



Join us on a short walk from the Convention Center to Kakawa Chocolate House as owner Bonnie Bennett guides us through chocolate's long history. We'll be treated to sample drinking elixirs and several of Kakawa's other delicious chocolate creations.

Walk & Talk: **Willa Cather's Santa Fe**



Join us for a short guided walk of Willa Cather's Santa Fe with author, tour guide, and historian Garrett Peck as we explore the inspiration behind *Death Comes for the Archbishop*.

2:30–3:30 PM

On Stage with **Diana Gabaldon, Roxana Robinson, and Douglas Preston**

Celebrated novelist and short story writer Robinson and bestselling journalist and author Preston discuss the star-studded collaborative novel *Fourteen Days*.

Presented by the Authors Guild and New Mexico Magazine

On Stage with **Javier Zamora**

Author of the harrowing memoir *Solito*, a *New York Times* Notable Book

In conversation with Demetria Martínez

4:00–5:00 PM

On Stage with **Hampton Sides**

Bestselling master of narrative histories including *Blood and Thunder*, *In the Kingdom of Ice*, and his newest, *The Wide Wide Sea: Imperial Ambition, First Contact, and the Fateful Final Voyage of Captain James Cook*

In conversation with Mark Bryant
Presented by Edelma and David Huntley

On Stage with **Jenn Shapland and Jamie Figueroa**

Two brilliant New Mexico authors—critically acclaimed novelist Figueroa and prizewinning essayist and memoirist Shapland—talk about the power of essay and memoir

In conversation with Marin Sardy

Spirits Tasting at the Los Poblanos Farm Shop Norte and Author Talk with **Cheryl Alters Jamison**

Join us on a short walk from the Convention Center to Los Poblanos Farm Shop Norte, where we'll raise a glass of botanical spirits with local treasure and James Beard Award winner Cheryl Alters Jamison.

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Hakim Bellamy to present a weekend reflection

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On the Big Stage with **Anne Lamott**

Perennial *New York Times* bestselling author of *Bird by Bird* and *Help, Thanks, Wow* and the recently released *Somehow: Thoughts on Love*

In conversation with Ellen McGirt