

30th Anniversary

CONCORD FESTIVAL *of* AUTHORS

OCTOBER 13–31, 2022

The Concord Festival of Authors celebrates the written and spoken word with a global audience. For complete event listings and registration, please visit ConcordFestivalofAuthors.org



Gregory Maguire

CFA 2022 KICKOFF EVENT Thursday October 13 at 7pm, Concord Museum

Author of *Wicked* and beloved Concordian, Gregory Maguire, kicks off the 30th Annual Concord Festival of Authors with a conversation on writing, art, and culture with WGBH Executive Arts Editor, Jared Bowen. Returning to the world first created in *Wicked*, Gregory and Jared will discuss Gregory's newest book in the Another Day series — *The Oracle of Maracoor*. Presented by the Concord Museum and The Umbrella Arts Center

Julia Glass, Susan Minot, and Ruth Ozeki with Susan Knopf

ALUMNAE/I AUTHORS' NIGHT AT CONCORD ACADEMY

Thursday, October 20 at 7pm, Concord Academy Chapel

Join us for an evening of conversation about the literary lives of four Concord Academy classmates. Susan Knopf will moderate the discussion with novelists Julia Glass, Susan Minot, and Ruth Ozeki.

Presented by Concord Academy



Dr. Alan Lightman

CFA 2022 KEYNOTE SPEAKER Friday, October 21 at 7pm, Concord Free Public Library

Join us as Dr. Alan Lightman, acclaimed author, physicist and MIT professor of the practice of the humanities, discusses literary life in Concord and his acclaimed thought-provoking book, *Probable Impossibilities*. His latest work “is a deeply engaged consideration of what we know of the universe, of life and the mind, and of things vastly larger and smaller than ourselves.”

Presented by the Friends of the Concord Free Public Library

Yung Pueblo

WRITING AS AN ACT OF HUMANITY Sunday, October 23 at 7pm, Concord Free Public Library

Be Present with author, poet, philosopher and mindful educator Diego Perez, known by 2.3 million Instagram followers as Yung Pueblo. Diego will discuss his brand new book, *Lighter*, as well as share mindful wisdom that inspires us all to seek ease, engage in Radical Honesty, cultivate caring relationships and show up for one another to benefit us all.

Presented by Be Well Be Here and the Friends of the Concord Free Public Library



Rajani LaRocca

2022 LESLIE RIEDEL MEMORIAL LECTURE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Saturday, October 29 at 2pm, Concord Free Public Library

Concord's Rajani LaRocca, author of many books for children and young adults, will be honored as the 2022 Leslie Riedel Memorial Lecture Series presenter and award winner. All ages are invited to hear Rajani discuss her writing life and books, the most recent of which is the Newbery Honor winner *Red, White and Whole*. Presented by the Concord Free Public Library

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 <p>30th Anniversary</p> <p>CONCORD FESTIVAL of AUTHORS</p> <p>ConcordFestivalofAuthors.org</p>				<p>13 7PM CFA 2022 Kickoff Event Gregory Maguire at the Concord Museum</p>	<p>14 10:15AM Visit Emerson's House</p> <p>7PM Concord History: Minutemen and Transcendentalists Robert Gross</p>	<p>15 2PM The Robbins House presents</p> <p>4PM Barrow Bookstore Gary Entwistle</p> <p>7PM 2022 Ruth Ratner Miller Memorial Award presented to Sean Wilentz</p>
<p>16 2PM New England Poetry Club at the Old Manse</p> <p>4PM Be Well Be Here Writing Workshop: Healing Stories</p> <p>7PM Healing Power of Storytelling Dr. Annie Brewster</p>	<p>17 7PM Mindful Storytelling activist & author Shelly Tygielski with Dr. Christopher Willard</p>	<p>18 11AM Concord's North Bridge: History and Memory</p> <p>7PM The Umbrella Arts Center: <i>World of Wonders</i> by Aimee Nezhukumatathil</p>	<p>19 4PM Thoreau Farm: A Nature Writing Workshop Corinne Smith</p> <p>7PM Concord Art: Ghost Stories Told Live</p>	<p>20 7PM Concord Academy: Alumnae/i Authors Julia Glass, Susan Minot, Ruth Ozeki with moderator Susan Knopf</p>	<p>21 4:30PM Hawthorne's Old Manse</p> <p>7PM CFA 2022 Keynote Dr. Alan Lightman</p>	<p>22 9:30AM Breakfast with the Authors</p> <p>3PM Transcendentalism Council of First Parish David Hackett Fischer</p> <p>7PM Thoreau Society Sy Montgomery</p>
<p>23 1PM Writing Workshop for Teens and New Adults</p> <p>4PM 2022 Concord Young Writers Award</p> <p>7PM Writing as an Act of Humanity Yung Pueblo</p>	<p>24 7PM CFA 2022 Debut Authors DeMisty D. Bellinger, Kate Dike Blair and Namrata Patel</p>	<p>25 7PM Debra's Natural Gourmet Margot Anne Kelley</p> <p>8:30PM Iranian Women and the Quest for Equality Marjan Kamali</p>	<p>26 4PM Be Well Be Here Writing Workshop: Family Narratives Lynne Reeves Griffin</p> <p>7PM The Walden Woods Project Douglas Brinkley</p>	<p>27 7PM Concord & Carlisle: Our Communities through a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Lens author Lily Geismer and panelists</p>	<p>28 3:30PM Concord Museum: Emerson's Circle Walking Tour</p> <p>7PM The Robbins House: A School. Sugar. A Slave Bell.</p>	<p>29 10AM Barefoot Books Sheetal Sheth</p> <p>2PM 2022 Leslie Riedel Memorial Lecture for Young People Rajani LaRocca</p> <p>7PM Orchard House: From Page to Screen</p>
<p>30 1PM Writing Collections: Essays & Short Stories</p> <p>3PM CFA 2022 Poetry Panel</p> <p>7PM CFA 2022 Mystery Night</p>	<p>31 1:30PM Beede and Books: Read and Swim</p>	<p>The Concord Festival of Authors is planned under the auspices of the Friends of the Concord Free Public Library in partnership with the following Concord organizations:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>FRIENDS OF THE CONCORD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>CONCORD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY Corporation</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Be Well Be Here</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Concord FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Concord Bookshop</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>THE UMBRELLA</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>CONCORD MUSEUM</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>THE ROBBINS HOUSE CONCORD'S AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Louisa May Alcott's ORCHARD HOUSE</p> </div> </div>				