



*The Twelfth Annual Virginia Festival of the Book*  
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## Asian and Asian-American Interest

### Friday, March 24

#### **Race in America**

With Nick Kotz (*Judgment Days: Lyndon Baines Johnson, Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Laws That Changed America*) and Sheryll Cashin (*The Failures of Integration: How Race and Class Are Undermining the American Dream*). Moderated by Faith Childs.

10 a.m.

McIntire Room, Central Library  
201 E. Market Street

#### **Contemporary Literature of India and Pakistan**

A brief introduction to the current literary scene of South Asia by Mehr Farooqi, Robert A. Hueckstedt, and Peter Hook. Readings of new translations from Hindi and Urdu, two major literary languages of the region, and time for discussion. (UVa Center for South Asian Studies)

Noon

UVa Rotunda  
Uva Central Grounds

#### **New Asian American Poetry**

With Sarah Gambito (*Matadora*), Mong-Lan (*Why is the Edge Always Windy?*), and Vijay Seshadri (*The Long Meadow*). (Tupelo Press, local poetry publisher, and Kundiman, the NYC-based Asian American poetry organization).

2 p.m.

UVa Bookstore  
UVa Central Grounds

#### **Where Was God During the Tsunami?**

With David Bentley Hart, author of *The Doors of the Sea: Where Was God During the Tsunami?*

7 p.m.

Holiday Inn  
1901 Emmet Street North