



The Twelfth Annual Virginia Festival of the Book *March 22-26, 2006*

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Festival Headliners

Wednesday, March 22

Business Breakfast: Patricia Aburdene

Author of *Megatrends 2010* and co-author of previous *Megatrends* titles, discusses the rise of "conscious capitalism." \$25 tickets, call 434-243-5520.
7:30 a.m. Omni Hotel, 235 W. Main Street

Opening Ceremony

Proclamations by dignitaries, winners of *The Hook* fiction contest, Letters About Literature award winners, and celebration of ten years of the "Voices of Adult Learners."
Noon. McIntire Room, Central Library, 201 E. Market Street

Neglected Histories--Fascinating Tales

Fintan O'Toole (*White Savage: William Johnson*), Melvin Patrick Ely (*Israel on the Appomattox*), and Lindsay Robertson (*Conquest by Law*).
6 p.m. UVa Culbreth Theatre

Making History: John Hope Franklin and Rita Dove

John Hope Franklin (*Mirror to America*) and Virginia Poet Laureate Rita Dove (*American Smooth*) reading and conversation.
8 p.m. UVa Culbreth Theatre

Thursday, March 23

Festival Luncheon: Judith Viorst

Author of *I'm Too Young to Be Seventy and Other Delusions* and the children's classic *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No-Good, Very Bad Day*. SOLD OUT
11:45 a.m. Omni Hotel, 234 W. Main Street

An Evening with Mary Doria Russell

Author of science fiction bestsellers *The Sparrow* and *Children of God* will read from and discuss her new historical fiction, *Thread of Grace*.
8 p.m. UVa Culbreth Theatre

Friday, March 24

Murder and Mayhem: Mystery Writers

Michael Connelly (*The Lincoln Lawyer*), Jeffery Deaver (*The Twelfth Card*), Karin Slaughter (*Faithless*), and Paula Woods (*Strange Bedfellows*). Moderated by Willetta Heising (*Detecting Men, Detecting Women*).
8 p.m. UVa Culbreth Theatre

Friday, March 24, cont.

Women, Family and Work: A Discussion

With Barbara Ehrenreich (*Bait and Switch: The Futile Pursuit of the American Dream*), E.J. Graff (*Getting Even: Why Women Still Don't Get Paid Like Men, and What To Do About It*), Andrea Buchanan (*It's a Boy / It's a Girl*), and Miriam Peskowitz (*The Truth Behind the Mommy Wars*).
8 p.m. UVa Bookstore

Saturday, March 25

Afterwords: A Poetry Reading

Poets Jane Hirshfield (*After*) and Gregory Orr (*Concerning the Book That Is the Body of the Beloved*).
4 p.m. UVa Wilson Hall, Room 402

Festival Authors' Reception

With David Baldacci (*The Camel Club*) and Sharon Baldacci (*A Sundog Moment: A Novel of Hope*). \$25 tickets, call 434-924-3296.
6 p.m. UVa Carr's Hill

Art Spiegelman: Comix 101

The Pulitzer Prize-winning author of the graphic novel *Maus* in a live interview with art critic Lawrence Weschler will follow. NOTE: The speaker will be smoking at this event. (*Virginia Quarterly Review*)
8 p.m. UVa Culbreth Theatre

Sunday, March 26

Keenan Lecture: Playwright David Ives

A lecture with David Ives (*All in the Timing*). (UVa Drama Department, Keenan Lecture)
3 p.m. UVa Culbreth Theatre

Words and Music: Barbara Kingsolver and John McCutcheon

A Virginia Foundation Center for the Book benefit featuring John McCutcheon (*Mightier than the Sword*) and Barbara Kingsolver (*Small Wonder*). Hosted by David Baldacci. For \$39/\$49/\$75/\$100 tickets: 434-979-1333.
4 p.m. Paramount Theater, Downtown Mall

NOTE: See website for information on parking at the Culbreth.

