2023 Printers Row Lit Fest Schedule

Saturday, September 9

10 a.m.

Center Stage - Children's Programming - Miss Chinatown 2023 Amy Xie will tell the story of "Chang'E and Houyi Goddess of the Moon." Presented by the Chicago Chinatown Chamber of Commerce.

(10:30 a.m.) - Children's Programming - Storybook Parade led by The Yin He Dancers and the Chicago Public Library's Great Horned Owl.

North Stage - Chicago Mosaic: Immigrant Stories of Objects Kept, Lost, or Left Behind. Readings by and discussion with contributors. Published by Big Shoulders Press. Edited by Chris Green and Amy Tyson.

Joseph & Bessie Feinberg Foundation Stage - Innovative Lit - Talia Lakshmi Kolluri, What We Fed to the Manticore and Dawn Raffel, Boundless as the Sky in conversation with billy lombardo.


Grace Place (1st Floor) - The Ordinary and Outlandish in Short Stories - Janice Deal, Strange Attractors: The Ephrem Stories, Ling Ma, Bliss Montage and Cleo Qian, LET'S GO LET'S GO LET'S GO in conversation with Donald G. Evans.

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Center Stage - Children’s Programming - Bubbles and Bookmarks Dance Party with Booked.

(11:30 a.m.) - Children's Storytelling - Reading by and discussion with Cozbi A. Cabrera, Chef Edna: Queen of Southern Cooking, Edna Lewis and Jarrett Dapier, Mr. Watson's Chickens in conversation with Betsy Haberl, Booked.

North Stage - Fiction Takes Flight: Imagine, Experiment, Research, and Play - Michael Czyzniejewski, The Amnesiac in the Maze; Ashley Wurzbacher, How to Care for a Human Girl; Sarah Layden, Imagine Your Life Like This.

Joseph & Bessie Feinberg Foundation Stage - (11:15 a.m.) – Welcome by Commissioner Erin Harkey, Dept. of Cultural Affairs & Special Events (DCASE), Chicago Public Library Commissioner Chris Brown, Illinois Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias, and Janice Feinberg, Bessie & Joseph Foundation.
Program to follow featuring 2023 Pulitzer Prize Winners for Nonfiction Toluse Olorunnipa and Robert Samuels, authors of *His Name Is George Floyd: One Man's Life and the Struggle for Racial Justice* in conversation with Natalie Moore, WBEZ.


**Grace Place (1st Floor)** - Historical Fiction - Suzette Mayr, *The Sleeping Car Porter* and Gioia Diliberto, *Coco at the Ritz* in conversation with Amina Gautier.

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**12 p.m.**


*This edition of SuSa Chicago occurs on Saturday*

**Joseph & Bessie Feinberg Foundation Stage** – (12:30 p.m.) Curtis Sittenfeld, *Romantic Comedy* in conversation with Susie An, WBEZ.


**Grace Place (1st Floor)** - Contemporary Tempests - James Kennedy, *Bride of the Tornado* and Glenn Taylor, *The Songs of Betty Baach* in conversation with Lina Ferreira Cabeza-Vanegas.

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**1 p.m.**

**Center Stage** - (1:30 p.m.) - Mark Guarino, *Country and Midwestern: Chicago in the History of Country Music and the Folk Revival* in conversation with Rick Kogan, WGN. Music by Jon Langford.
**North Stage** - (1:30 p.m.) - "This is how love arrives" - Featuring Syrian Poet Adonis in conversation with Faisal Mohyuddin. Translator: Modar Hourani.


**731 S. Plymouth Ct.** - Jon Eig, *King: A Life* in conversation with Scoop Jackson.


**Grace Place (1st Floor)** - Nash Jenkins, *Foster Dade Explores the Cosmos* in conversation with Frank Tempone.

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**2 p.m.**

**Center Stage** - (2:30 p.m.) - Banned Books - Featuring Jessie Ann Foley, Ami Polonsky, and Erika L. Sánchez. Presented by the Chicago Public Library.


**Grace Place (1st Floor)** - The Short Story and the Enigma of the Everyday - Laura Adamczyk, *Island City* and Christine Sneed, *Direct Sunlight: Stories* in conversation with Jarrett Neal.

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**3 p.m.**

**Center Stage** - (3:30 p.m.) - Comics: Inheriting Legacy - Eve L. Ewing and Julian Randall in conversation with Terry Gant, Third Coast Comics.
731 S. Plymouth Ct. - Civil Rights - Samuel Freedman, *Into the Bright Sunshine: Young Hubert Humphrey and the Fight for Civil Rights* in conversation with Alex Kotlowitz.

Grace Place (2nd Floor) - Dave Eggers, *The Eyes and the Impossible* in conversation with Jennifer Steele, 826CHI.


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**4 p.m.**

**Center Stage** - (4:30 p.m.) - Story Jam - Featuring Archy Jamjun, Kory May, Carmenita Peoples, and Paul Traynor. Improvised songs by Xoe Wise. Hosted by Stephanie Rogers, Producer.

**North Stage** - Reclaiming the Narrative: Empowering Women Through Poetry - A reading and discussion featuring Suzanne Frischkorn, Simone Muench, and Melissa Studdard. Emceed and moderated by Ruben Quesada.


731 S. Plymouth Ct. - Exhibit B Reading - Faylita Hicks, Nakiyah T.M. Jordan, Daniel Borzutzky, and James Stewart III. Emceed by Ian Eric Wojcikiewicz.

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**5 p.m.**


Sunday, September 10

9:30 a.m.

731 S. Plymouth Ct. - Jack Bender, Director (*Lost, Mr. Mercedes, Game of Thrones*), Artist, Storyteller.

10 a.m.

**Center Stage** - Children's Programming - All The Feels: Reading and Draw-Along with Author and Illustrator DJ Corchin, The *I Feel...* Children's Book Series on Emotions.


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11 a.m.

**Center Stage** - Children's Programming - Drag Story Hour Chicago featuring Mrs. Yuka.


731 S. Plymouth Ct. – (11:10 a.m.) Lance Williams, *King David and Boss Daley: The Black Disciples, Mayor Daley, and Chicago on the Edge* in conversation with Leigh Giangreco, *Crain's*.

**Grace Place (2nd Floor)** - Rev. Amity Carrubba in conversation with Lori Erickson, *Every Step is Home: A Spiritual Geography from Appalachia to Alaska*.

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12 p.m.

**Center Stage** - Covering Chicago's Southwest Side - Gregory Pratt, City Hall reporter at *Chicago Tribune* and Laura Rodríguez Presa, Community Reporter at *Chicago Tribune* in conversation with Mike Amezcuă, Georgetown.

**Joseph & Bessie Feinberg Foundation Stage** - Britney Daniels, *Journal of a Black Queer Nurse* in conversation with Christine Nwaezeapu.

**731 S. Plymouth Ct.** - Jena Friedman, *Not Funny: Essays on Life, Comedy, Culture, Et Cetera* in conversation with Lindsay Hunter.

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**Sunday, September 10**

1 p.m.


**North Stage** - Steven Thrasher, *The Viral Underclass: The Human Toll When Inequality and Disease Collide* and Dr. Selwyn O. Rogers, Professor of Surgery at UChicago Medicine in conversation with Miles Harvey.


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**Center Stage** - (3:30 p.m.) - Children's Programming - *Can You Dance Like a Peacock?* - Reading and Dance with Rekha Rajan.

**North Stage** - Poetry Reading and Discussion - Mary Jo Bang, A Film in Which I Play Everyone and Timothy Donnelly, Chariot in conversation with Barbara Egel.

**Joseph & Bessie Feinberg Foundation Stage** - Rebecca Makkai, I Have Some Questions for You in conversation with Gina Frangello.

**731 S. Plymouth Ct.** - Sara Petersen, Momfluenced: Inside the Maddening, Picture-Perfect World of Mommy Influencer Culture in conversation with Adrienne Gunn.

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4 p.m.

**Center Stage** - Taking Back the Narrative - Ruchira Gupta, I Kick and I Fly and Erin Keane, Runaway in conversation with Anne K. Ream.


**Joseph & Bessie Feinberg Foundation Stage** - Dave Hoekstra, Beacons in the Darkness: Hope and Transformation Among America’s Community Newspapers in conversation with Arionne Nettles.

**731 S. Plymouth Ct.** - Burning Down the System - Mo Ryan, Burn It Down: Power, Complicity, and a Call for Change in Hollywood in conversation with Mikki Kendall, Hood Feminism: Notes from the Women That a Movement Forgot.

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Center Stage - Tod Goldberg, *Gangsters Don't Die* in conversation with Rob Roberge.

North Stage - Desire - Jenny Fran Davis, *Dykette* and Zhana Slor, *Breakfall* in conversation with LaTanya Lane.
