CityLit Festival
Celebrating the Literary Arts in Baltimore
Saturday, April 8 | 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Central Library
400 Cathedral St. | Baltimore, MD 21212

For a complete schedule of events: citylitproject.org or prattlibrary.org

SECOND FLOOR GALLERY


Presented by CityLit Project and Enoch Pratt Free Library
Information: 410-274-5691

Workshops
11 A.M. That Takes The Cake
Warren Brown (CakeLove) and Leslie Miller (Let Me Eat Cake), plus mini cupcakes for all

NOON Lifelong Literature: The Literary Life Later in Life
A discussion with Shirley Brewer, Dudley Clendinen, Kendra Kopelke, and Mel Tamsil. Moderated by Marc Steiner, WEAA-FM.

1:30 P.M. First Books, New Authors

FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT

NOON – 1 P.M. It’s How You Play the Game
A panel discussion moderated by Mike Lurie, host of WYPR’s “Sports with Mike Lurie.” Panels include: Quinn Coster, Playing Time: What Kids Really Think About Kids Sports; Mark Hyman, Until It Hurts: America’s Obsession with Youth Sports and How It Hurms Our Kids; Introduction by Tim Holley, Athletic Director, Gilman School.

1:30 – 2:10 P.M. What’s Becoming of Our Book Culture?
A panel discussion moderated by Dave Rosenthal, the Baltimore Sun’s “Read Street” columnist. Panels include: Deidre Donahue, book reviewer, USA Today; David Kipen, Director, National Reading Initiative, National Endowment for the Arts; Natalie Stokes, Associate Publisher, Black Classic Press.

CENTRAL HALL

10:30 A.M. Performance by The New Handel Children’s Choir.

NOON Readings by CityLit Teens and Maryland Young Writers’ Contest winners, plus the start of “Poetry Out Loud” Rehearsals.

1 – 3 P.M. Poets’ Ink Workshop
Meet on-one-one with poets/editors from Maryland State Poetry & Literary Society. Bring two copies of a poem you’ve written.

1:50 P.M. Poetry by Place: Regional Harris hosts a cascade of poems from Baltimore venues where the spoken word can be heard.

3 P.M. Poets’ Ink Reading

READINGS

11 A.M. Letters About Literature Awards Ceremony
Meet the Maryland winners in this national essay program for students in grades 4-12, sponsored by the Maryland Center for the Book at the Maryland Humanities Council. Special guest: Mary Downing Hahn, award-winning author from Maryland who has written more than 20 books for young readers.

12:30 P.M. Metaphors and Memories: New Memoirs
Authors of two new books talk about the art of describing life: Jennifer Barzile (The Black Girl Next Door) and Ed Eddiebell Miller (The Fifth Inning).

1:30 P.M. Mark Doty reads from his poetry collection Fire in Fire, which won the 2008 National Book Award for Poetry.

3 P.M. Jonot Dizer reads from The Brief Wendover Life of Oscar Wain, winner of the 2008 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction.

POE ROOM

NOON Poets Michael Collier and Elizabeth Spence read from their work.

1 P.M. New Fiction from the 35th Reading Series
Christian Bauman, In Hoshion; Thomas Glave, The Torturer’s Wife; Michael Kimball, Dear Everybody; Chad Wittenberg, contributor to The Believer.

2 P.M. Sisterhood of the First Lady
Lisa Mundy, Michelle: A Biography; Barbara Seab NEWYGOLD and Peggy Brooks-Bertram, editors of Go, Tell Michelle.

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