

The 79th Book & Author Event



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Richmond, Virginia, March 8, 2024 – The Junior League of Richmond (JLR), together with Dominion Energy, will welcome six nationally recognized authors to Richmond on **Thursday, May 4, 2024**, for the 79th Book & Author Event. Bob Deans will return for the 16th year as Master of Ceremonies for this annual event that is the longest running of its kind in the country.

This year's panel features the following distinguished authors and their books:

Abbott Kahler *Where You End*
Anna Shechtman *The Riddles of the Sphinx: Inheriting the Feminist History of the Crossword Puzzle*
Lucy Gilmore *The Library of Borrowed Hearts*
Michelle Braxton *Supper with Love: Vibrant, Delicious, and Comforting Plant-Forward and Pescatarian Recipes for Every Day*
Simon Van Booy *Sipsworth*
Stephanie Dray *Becoming Madam Secretary*

The Book & Author Luncheon will be held at Sam Miller's Restaurant located at 1210 E. Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia, beginning at 12:00 PM. A book signing with the authors following the luncheon will be available exclusively to luncheon attendees. **The evening event will be held at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture**

located at 428 N. Arthur Ashe Boulevard, Richmond, Virginia, beginning at 7:00 PM. A **cocktail hour** featuring heavy hors d'oeuvres from Champagne Taste Catering and a card bar will begin at **6:00 PM**. Fountain Bookstore, Inc. will assist with the sale of books written by the six featured authors before and after the event. Virtual tickets to the evening event will also be available.

Individual tickets are \$75.00. Virtual tickets are \$30.00. Luncheon and book signing tickets are \$55.00.

At the event, each author will speak about his or her recently published book and experiences as a writer. A complimentary autographed signing reception will immediately follow the panel, with first edition books available for purchase. Proceeds from this Richmond tradition will benefit the Junior League of Richmond's mission and its community programs, aimed at helping women in the greater Richmond area.

To purchase tickets to the evening event, luncheon, or books please visit www.bookandauthorevent.org. Any questions regarding the event may be directed to bookandauthor@jlrichmond.org or (804) 643-4886.

The Virginia Museum of History and Culture is not a sponsor of this event.

About the Junior League of Richmond

Founded in 1926, the Junior League of Richmond is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training. The Junior League of Richmond is an inclusive group of informed thought leaders intentionally serving and empowering women, youth, and families, striving for collective impact through collaboration and advocacy. We are part of the Association of Junior Leagues International, Inc., which is made up of 295 Junior Leagues in four countries. For more information, visit our website at www.jlrichmond.org.

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