Winter 2010 Events

N O V E M B E R

Monday, Nov. 1 / 7:00pm

Gal Beckerman

When They Come for Us, We'll Be Gone

@ Harvard Book Store

Co-sponsored with Amnesty International and Action for Post-Soviet Jewry

Journalist Gal Beckerman draws on newly released documents and hundreds of oral interviews to tell the stories of millions of Jews who were trapped inside the Soviet Union after WWII.

Tuesday, Nov. 2 / 7:00pm

Robert Darnton

Poetry and the Police

@ Harvard Book Store

"Darnton has ably mined the available evidence surrounding the 1749 investigation and string of arrests for sedition known as the Affair of the Fourteen and produced a remarkable analysis of a subversive Parisian public discourse." —*Library Journal*

Wed., Nov. 3 / 8:00pm

Richard Russo, Steve Almond, Brendan Mathews, and Heidi Pitlor

The Best American Short Stories 2010

@ Brattle Theatre | 40 Brattle St.

\$5 Tickets

Edited by the award-winning author Richard Russo, this year's collection boasts a "chorus of twenty stories that are by turns playful, ironic, somber, and meditative" (*Wall Street Journal*). **Please note the late start time.**

Thursday, Nov. 4 / 7:00pm

Kwame Anthony Appiah

@ Harvard Book Store

The Honor Code

Co-sponsored with the W.E.B. Du Bois Institute

Philosopher Appiah argues that, historically, progressive social change has been driven not by the imposition of legislation from above, but by the ancient power of honor from within.

Friday, Nov. 5 / 7:00pm

Tim Wu

The Master Switch

@ Harvard Book Store

"Wu's engaging narrative and remarkable historical detail make this a compelling and galvanizing cry for sanity—and necessary deregulation—in the information age." —*Publishers Weekly*

Sun., Nov. 7 / 9am-11pm

Annual Frequent Buyer Sale

@ Harvard Book Store

Frequent Buyer Program members receive 20% off in-store purchases all day long! For full details, visit www.harvard.com/events.

Monday, Nov. 8 / 7:00pm

Ian Frazier

Travels in Siberia

@ Harvard Book Store

"Travels in Siberia is a masterpiece of nonfiction writing tragic, bizarre, and funny. Once again, the inimitable Frazier has managed to create a genre of his very own."

—The San Francisco Chronicle

Tuesday, Nov. 9 / 6:00pm

Paul Auster Sunset Park

@ Brattle Theatre | 40 Brattle St.

\$5 Tickets

"Auster is in excellent form for this foray into the tarnished, conflicted soul of Brooklyn.... [It] is a gratifying departure from the postmodern trickery he's known for, one full of crisp turns of phrase and keen insights." —*Publishers Weekly*

Wed., Nov. 10 / 7:00pm

Alex Ross Listen to This

@ Harvard Book Store

Listen to This, which takes its title from an essay in which Ross describes his late-blooming discovery of pop music, showcases the best of his writing from over a decade at *The New Yorker*, with pieces dedicated to classical and pop artists alike.

Thursday, Nov. 11 / 5:00pm

David Sedaris

Squirrel Seeks Chipmunk

@ Harvard Book Store

THIS EVENT IS SOLD OUT.

Monday, Nov. 15 / 7:00pm

Stephen Greenblatt

Shakespeare's Freedom

@ Harvard Book Store

Prominent Shakespeare scholar Greenblatt shows that the Bard's plays display a striking aversion to absolutes—of monarchy, religion, and familial politics and constantly seek the possibility of freedom from them.

Tuesday, Nov. 16 / 7:00pm

Hazel Rowley

Franklin and Eleanor

@ Harvard Book Store

Franklin Delano and Eleanor Roosevelt's marriage raised eyebrows in their lifetimes and has only become more controversial since their deaths. In *Franklin and Eleanor*, acclaimed biographer Hazel Rowley describes the remarkable courage and lack of convention—private and public—that kept FDR and Eleanor together.

Wed., Nov. 17 / 7:00pm

Edwidge Danticat

Create Dangerously

@ First Parish Church | Corner of Church St. and Mass Ave.

\$5 Tickets

Co-sponsored with the W.E.B. Du Bois Institute and Cambridge Forum

"[Danticat] has wound the fabric of Haitian life into her work and made it accessible to a wide audience of Americans and other outsiders.... [Her] tender new book about loss and the unquenchable passion for homeland makes us remember the powerful material from which most fiction is wrought: it comes from childhood, and place." —The New York Times

Wed., Nov. 17 / 7:30pm

The Philosophy Café at Harvard Book Store

"A Puzzle about Pleasure: How and Why Is It Good?"

@ Harvard Book Store, Lower Level

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Thursday, Nov. 18 / 7:00pm

Susan Cheever

Louisa May Alcott @ Harvard Book Store

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"A vivid portrait...Alcott's feminism, relationships, illnesses, struggles, and ultimate success have been discussed before, yet Cheever's stirring account provides an insightful interpretation of this fascinating woman." —Library Journal

Friday, Nov. 19 / 3:00pm

Rebecca M. Jordan-Young *Brain Storm*

@ Harvard Book Store

Friday Forum

Sociomedical scientist Jordan-Young's new book reveals the flaws in scientific studies that claim to demonstrate underlying biological differences between male and female brains.

Monday, Nov. 22 / 7:00pm

Jeff Sharlet

C Street

@ Harvard Book Store

When Barack Obama entered the White House, headlines declared the age of culture wars over. In *C Street*, journalist Jeff Sharlet shows why these conflicts endure and why they matter now—from Washington sex scandals to fundamentalism's long shadow in Africa.

Monday, Nov. 29 / 7:00pm

Salman Rushdie

Luka and the Fire of Life

@ First Parish Church | Corner of Church St. and Mass Ave.

\$10 Tickets

Salman Rushdie's newest novel is a follow-up to the much beloved *Haroun and the Sea of Stories*, which was called "Fantastical, funny...a whole Arabian Nights entertainment" by *The Times Literary Supplement*. Tuesday, Nov. 30 / 7:00pm

The Harvard Square Book Circle

discusses Atul Gawande's essay collection *Complications*

@ Harvard Book Store

Complications is exploratory surgery on medicine itself, laying bare a science not in its idealized form but as it truly is—complicated, perplexing, and human.

Tuesday, Nov. 30 / 7:00pm

Wendell Potter Deadly Spin

@ First Parish Church | 3 Church St.

Cambridge Forum

DECEMBER

Wed., Dec. 1 / 7:00pm

David Edwards The Lab

@ Harvard Book Store

David Edwards presents a plan for revitalizing labs with "artscience"—creative thought that blurs boundaries between art and science—to produce a new range of innovations.

Thursday, Dec. 2 / 7:00pm

Siddhartha Mukherjee

The Emperor of All Maladies

@ Harvard Book Store

The Emperor of All Maladies is a "biography" of cancer—from its first documented appearances millennia ago through the battles in the 20th century to cure, control, and conquer it.

Friday, Dec. 3 / 3:00pm

Jason W. Stevens God-Fearing and Free

@ Harvard Book Store

Friday Forum

Harvard English professor Stevens delves into the spiritual dimension of the Cold War in America, and how it contributed to a national religious revival. Sat., Dec. 4 & Sun. Dec. 5 10am-4pm

Winter Warehouse Sale

@ Harvard Book Store Warehouse | 14 Park St. | Somerville

Visit our Somerville Warehouse for a look at a fresh inventory of used and bargain books, including hundreds of \$1, \$2, and \$3 titles. Our warehouse is located nearby, on Park St. in Somerville, between Somerville Ave. and Beacon St.

Monday, Dec. 6 / 7:00pm

Harold McGee with Jody Adams The Keys to Good Cooking

@ Harvard Book Store

Co-sponsored with Rialto

Rialto chef Adams interviews *New York Times* food science writer McGee about his new book, a companion volume to recipe books that helps cooks spot and improve flawed recipes.

Tuesday, Dec. 7 / 6:00pm

The Cast of America's Test Kitchen

Light and Healthy 2011

@ Brattle Theatre | 40 Brattle St.

\$5 Tickets

The America's Test Kitchen crew explains how to take some of their most delicious, flavorful, and decadent recipes of the last year and create lighter, healthier, but still tasty versions.

Wed., Dec. 8 / 7:00pm

Carlos Eire

Learning to Die in Miami

@ Harvard Book Store

"A stranger in a strange land, Eire, one of 14,000 children airlifted out of Cuba in...1962, describes the classic American immigrant experience in Miami, Fla., with a mix of insightful observation, humor, and heartfelt emotion." —*Publishers Weekly*

Thursday, Dec. 9 / 7:00pm

Joanne Chang

Flour

@ Harvard Book Store

Chang, chef/owner of Flour Bakery in Boston (and a new location in Central Square), presents her new cookbook, which contains over 100 recipes for the standards (Pain au Chocolat and perfect croissants) and some Flour favorites (Milky Way Tart and Dried Fruit Focaccia).

Tuesday, Dec. 14 / 7:00pm

Winedown! Holiday Picks with Harvard Book Store Buyers

@ Harvard Book Store

Whether you're stumped about how to finish off your holiday gift list or you just want to catch up on the best books of 2010, join the Harvard Book Store buyers for an evening of book suggestions, conversation, wine, and refreshments.

Tickets for events requiring them are available online at harvard.com/events; at Harvard Book Store; and over the phone with a credit card (617.661. 1515). Please note, \$5 tickets may be redeemed for \$5 off a single item at the event or at Harvard Book Store. Unless otherwise noted, venues are in Cambridge.



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