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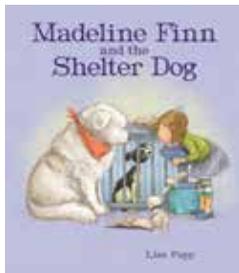
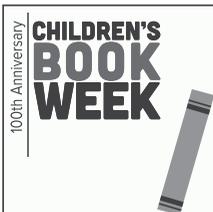


INDEPENDENT BOOKSTORE DAY SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2019

Independent Bookstore Day is a one-day national party that takes place at indie bookstores across the country. Every store is unique and independent, and every party is different. In addition to all our fun activities, there are exclusive books and literary items that you can only get on that day. Not before. Not after. Not online.

Rhode Island bookstores will be celebrating all day on April 27, and you're welcome to join us. Pick up a Rhode Island passport at any of the participating stores, and visit 14 of the 15 participating stores to win prizes and be entered to win one grand prize!

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| All Day: | Bring your pup by for a snack and we'll snap a pic! Your pooch will get posted on our social media! |
| 11–Noon: | Spring themed children's storytime with activities and coloring! |
| 1–5pm: | Storewide scavenger hunt for grownups! |
| 5–7pm: | Enjoy snacks and drinks while you choose a Blind Date with a Book. |



May 1 at 4pm

Lisa Papp,

Madeline Finn and the Shelter Dog

Join author Lisa Papp for a reading, signing, drawing and Q&A. We'll also have a visit from our very own P.A.R.L. (the Providence Animal Rescue League) and maybe a visit from a local rescue dog or two!

AUTHOR & SPECIAL EVENTS



Friday, April 5 at 7pm
Andrea Flores, Jenna Brayton,
Kalisha Dessources Figures
and Elle Celeste
Yes She Can

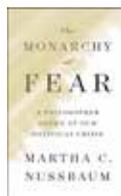
Return to President Obama's White House in this New York Times bestselling anthology for young women by young women, featuring stories from ten inspiring young staffers who joined his administration in their 20s with the hope of making a difference. **Yes She Can** is an intimate look at Obama's presidency through the eyes of some of the most successful, and completely relatable, young women who were there. Full of wisdom they wish they could impart to their younger selves and a message about the need for more girls in government, these recollections are about stepping out into the spotlight and up to the challenge—something every girl can do.



Saturday, April 6 at 7pm
Paul Di Filippo
The Deadly Kiss-Off

Glen and Stan, the Odd Couple of scamdom, are back from their **Big Get-Even** adventure with another get-rich-quick-or-go-down-in-flames scheme. As part of their trafficking in counterfeit merch, they are looking to turn a few pallets of Grade Z computer chips into some military hardware sure to interest dictators and despots and drug lords around the globe. Bankrolled by a greedy local crime boss, they hope to promote a half-genius, half-addlepatented invention from a naive and principled inventor into a bonanza. But no one ever counts on complications arising from a wayward wife, some sexy Eurotrash go-betweens, and a lonely entrepreneurial girlfriend who finds her native tropical isle conducive to a troublesome loosening of morals. Add in a most unconventional explosives expert, and you have a caper half hilarious, half deadly, and 100 percent entertaining.

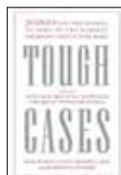
Paul Di Filippo sold his first story in 1977. Since then, he has written and published over two hundred more, as well as several novels, amounting to roughly thirty-five books. He lives in Providence with his partner, Deborah Newton.



Monday, April 8 at 7:30
Martha Nussbaum
The Monarchy of Fear

From one of the world's most celebrated moral philosophers comes a thorough examination of the current political crisis and recommendations for how to mend our divided country. Although today's atmosphere is marked by partisanship, divisive rhetoric, and the inability of two halves of the country to communicate with one another, Nussbaum focuses on what so many pollsters and pundits have overlooked. She sees a simple truth at the heart of the problem: the political is always emotional. Globalization has produced feelings of powerlessness in millions of people in the West. That sense of powerlessness bubbles into resentment and blame. While this politics of blame is exemplified by the election of Donald Trump and the vote for Brexit, Nussbaum argues it can be found on all sides of the political spectrum, left or right. Drawing on a mix of historical and contemporary examples, from classical Athens to the musical *Hamilton*, **The Monarchy of Fear** untangles this web of feelings and provides a roadmap of where to go next.

Martha C. Nussbaum is the Ernst Freund Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Ethics, appointed in the Philosophy Department and the Law School of the University of Chicago. She gave the 2016 Jefferson Lecture for the National Endowment for the Humanities and won the 2016 Kyoto Prize in Arts and Philosophy, which is regarded as the most prestigious award available in fields not eligible for a Nobel. She has written more than twenty-two books.



Thursday, April 11 at 7pm
Russell Canan
Tough Cases

In **Tough Cases**, judges from different kinds of courts in different parts of the country write about the case that proved most difficult for them to decide. Some of these cases received international attention: the Elián González case in which Judge Jennifer Bailey had to decide whether to return a seven-year-old boy to his father in Cuba after his mother drowned trying to bring the child to the United States, or the Terri Schiavo case in which Judge George Greer had to decide whether to withdraw life support from a woman in a vegetative state over the wishes of her parents. Relatively few judges have publicly shared the thought processes behind their decision making. **Tough Cases** makes for fascinating reading for everyone from armchair attorneys and fans of Law and Order to those actively involved in the legal profession who want insight into the people judging their work.

Russell Canan is currently a judge on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and an adjunct professor at the George Washington University School of Law. He lives in Washington, DC.

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Friday, April 12 at 7pm
Joshua Goldstein
A Bright Future

As climate change nears potentially disastrous tipping points, should we turn to nuclear power as a proven, scalable source of carbon-free energy? How might the world replicate the successes of Sweden, France, and Ontario in decarbonizing the grid by combining renewable energy with a quick buildout of nuclear reactors? In **A Bright Future**, Joshua Goldstein and Staffan Qvist offer a fresh look at the assumptions that have long shaped the climate change debate.

*Joshua S. Goldstein is professor emeritus of International Relations at American University. He is the author of six books about war, peace, diplomacy, and economic history, and a bestselling college textbook, **International Relations**.*



Tuesday, April 16 at 7pm
Dr. Arun Singh
Your Heart, My Hands

Leaving a life marked by crippling setbacks and his father's doubt, in 1967 a twenty-something doctor from India arrived in America with only five dollars and the desire to claim his American dream. The journey still awaiting Dr. Arun K. Singh would be unparalleled. Faced with an entirely new culture, racism, and the lasting effects of disabling childhood injuries, through hard work and perseverance he overcame all odds. Now having performed over 15,000 open heart surgeries, more than nearly every surgeon in history, Dr. Singh reflects on his most memorable patients and his incredible personal life. Shared for the first time, these intimate and uplifting accounts, along with photos, will have you cheering for the underdog and appreciating the enduring determination of the human spirit.

Arun Singh, M.D., preeminent cardiac surgeon, has personally performed over 15,000 heart surgeries. Dr. Singh has earned numerous awards as a physician including the American Heart Association's Hero at Heart Award and the Milton Hamolsky Outstanding Physician Award. In practice at Rhode Island Hospital since 1975, Dr. Singh has been voted "Top Doc" by Rhode Island Monthly Magazine for the last 16 years. He was also elected to the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame, only the second person of Indian descent to receive this distinction. He lives in Providence, RI.



Thursday, April 25 from 10:30-11:30
PJ Library Storytime

PJ Library is a family engagement program that provides age appropriate books completely free of charge to children raised in Jewish families. However, you do not have to be Jewish to enjoy these books and the programs that go with them! Come listen to familiar PJ Library favorites and discover newer stories PJ has to offer. We will be at Books on the Square on April 25th exploring books and related activities about Passover, being a good friend, and taking care of others. All are welcome!

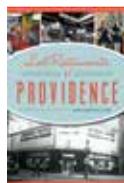


Thursday, April 25 at 7pm
Albert Nasib Badre
Looking West

In 1960, the Badre family emigrates from Beirut, Lebanon to the United States, a dream come true for fourteen-year-old Nasib. Nasib struggles to assimilate as a teen in Albany, New York.

With limited English skills, he attempts to learn new customs, make friends, and adapt to a different culture. In Beirut, the Badre family was well-known and socially privileged. In America, they are unknown nobodies. Despite the many frustrations and difficulties, Al's ultimate goal is to become a successful American. The new anonymity actually inspires the young man. Excited by the opportunities available to him in his new country, he determines to make a potent contribution to society.

Albert Nasib Badre is an American author born in Beirut Lebanon. He immigrated to the United States with his family in 1960 at the age of fourteen. He is the Emeritus Professor of Computing at Georgia Institute of Technology. Dr. Badre and his wife live in Providence, R.I., near his son and family, where he leads a very active volunteer life, in service to the community.



Saturday, April 27 at 7pm
David Norton Stone
Lost Restaurants of Providence

In the city that invented the diner, so many amazing restaurants remain only in memories.

The Silver Top had fresh coffee every twenty minutes, and the Ever Ready was hot dog heaven.

Miss Dutton's Green Room and the Shepard Tea Room beckoned shoppers in their Sunday finest. At Childs, the griddle chef made butter cakes in the window for night owls, and Harry Houdini supped at midnight with H.P. Lovecraft at the Waldorf Lunch. Author David Norton Stone details the restaurants that still hold a place in the hearts of locals.

*David Norton Stone is the co-author of **Images of America: Rhode Island Clam Shacks**, and his food writing has appeared in Rhode Island Monthly and Edible Rhody and on Quahog.org*



INDIE NEXT LIST

See what independent booksellers around the country are reading. Here are a few selections from the most recent Indie Bound Next List. These are all highly recommended and available now at Books on the Square.



Stay Up With Hugo Best by Erin Somers (Scribner)

"In her sharply imagined, comedic novel, Somers tackles with effortless finesse the #MeToo issue of sexual misconduct in the entertainment industry. When 29-year-old June Bloom accepts an invitation from comedian Hugo Best, her childhood idol (and recent boss), to spend a long holiday weekend at his country mansion, she finds herself privy to the messy complexities of his personal life. Refusing any facile judgements or conclusions, **Stay Up With Hugo Best** explores the complexities of people and relationships, and the many shades of gray that make us all human. A fantastic, thoroughly enjoyable debut!"

- Michaela Carter, Peregrine Book Company, Prescott, AZ



Maybe You Should Talk to Someone by Lori Gottlieb (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

"I was thinking maybe I should talk to someone, and then there was this book. Gottlieb has written a compassionate and entertaining memoir from both sides of the couch, so to speak. She tells the stories of four patients whose lives the reader comes to care deeply about while she herself goes into therapy. Physician, heal thyself? No. Human being, be honest with thyself and do something really difficult. Gottlieb is as fine a writer as she is a storyteller. I was sad our sessions had to end."

- Stan Hynds, Northshire Bookstore, Saratoga Springs, NY

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BOOK CLUBS & DISCUSSION GROUPS

Book clubs and discussion groups are free and open to the public. Monthly book club selections will be discounted 10%.

HADASSAH BOOK CLUB

4/1 @ 7pm **Once We Were Brothers,**
Ronald Balson

5/6 @ 7pm **The World Without You,**
Joshua Henkin

QUEER BOOK CLUB

4/17 @ 7pm **The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier & Clay,**
Michael Chabon

5/15 @ 7pm **Fun Home,**
Alison Bechdel

THE YOUNG ADULT LITCLUB

4/15 @ 7pm **The Poet X,**
Elizabeth Acevedon

5/20 @ 7pm **Brave,**
Svetlana Chmakova

Nimona,
Noelle Stevenson

The Witch Boy,
Molly Knox Ostertag

The Prince & The Dressmaker,
Jen Wang

KIDS' STORY HOURS

Mon., Babies 10:30-11:00

Sat., All Kids 11:00-11:30

Please Note: Sometimes our story times are cancelled due to sickness or inclement weather. You're welcome to give us a call around 10am to find out if our story hours are still taking place.