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## **Robert Olen Butler Coming to Carter Library** *Pulitzer Prize Winning Author appears Thursday, September 1st*

**Atlanta, GA.** Pulitzer Prize winning author Robert Olen Butler is coming to the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library on Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup> to talk about his new, highly acclaimed novel *A Small Hotel*. *The New York Journal of Books* calls it “Intriguing . . . beautifully told.”

In a starred review, *Booklist* calls *A Small Hotel* “A sleek, erotic, and suspenseful drama about men who cannot say the word love and the women they harm . . . Butler executes a plot twist of profound proportions in this gorgeously controlled, unnerving, and beautifully revealing tale of the consequences of emotional withholding.”

Butler will read from his novel at 7:00 pm in the Carter Presidential Museum Theater. A book signing will follow his talk. The event is free and open to the public. Doors to the museum theater will open at 6:30pm. Acappella Books will for copies of *A Small Hotel* available for purchase and signing.

Here’s what Jeff Guinn from the Ft. Worth Star Telegram says about *A Small Hotel*... “*Set in contemporary New Orleans but working its way back in time, A Small Hotel chronicles the relationship between Michael and Kelly Hays, who have decided to separate after twenty-four years of marriage. The book begins on the day that the Hays are to finalize their divorce. Kelly is due to be in court, but instead she drives from her home in Pensacola, Florida, across the panhandle to New Orleans and checks into Room 303 at the Olivier House in the city’s French Quarter—the hotel where she and Michael fell in love some twenty-five years earlier and where she now finds herself about to make a decision that will forever affect her, Michael, and their nineteen-year-old daughter, Samantha. An intelligent, deeply moving, and remarkably written portrait of a relationship that reads as a cross between a romance novel and a literary page turner, A Small Hotel is a masterful story that will remind readers once again why Robert Olen Butler has been called the “best living American writer.”*”

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