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Dave Barry & John Wood This Week **Free Reading & Book Signing**

Atlanta, GA. – Pulitzer Prize winning author and humor columnist Dave Barry is coming to the Carter Presidential Library for a free reading and book signing this Wednesday, February 13th. Doors to the Carter Center’s Cecil B. Day Chapel will open at 6:00 pm and Barry will take the stage at 7:00 pm to discuss his new novel *“Insane City.”* It is a dark comic masterpiece—the first solo adult novel in more than a decade from the Pulitzer Prize winner and New York Times–bestselling author. In her *New York Times* book review, Jane Maslin says “Dave Barry has written a comic novel that features lost luggage, beaches, hapless tourists from Michigan, exotic animal life, drugs, wild mix-ups, laughable oldsters and the trademarked zaniness of Florida.”

Thursday evening, February 14th, former Microsoft executive John Wood comes to the Carter Museum theater to discuss his effort to build libraries around the world and share his love for books. It’s all described in his new book *“Creating Room To Read”*. Wood will share moving stories of impoverished children whose schools and villages have been swept away by war or natural disaster. This is a talk you won’t want to miss. It begins at 7pm and will be followed by a book signing.

Coming up next week...

Celebrate Presidents’ Day with author Hugh Howard and *“Houses of the Presidents: Childhood Homes, Family Dwellings, Private Escapes, and Grand Estates.”*

Howard will take you on a unique visual tour of the houses and day-to-day lives of America’s presidents, from George Washington’s time to the present. He weaves together personal, presidential, and architectural histories to shed light on the way our chief executives lived. The talk is Monday, February 18th at 7pm in the Carter Museum Theater. Copies of *“House of the Presidents”* with its magnificent photography will be available for purchase and signing.

On Wednesday, February 20th at 7:00 pm, Frye Gaillard will take you on a literary journey as he discusses *“The Books That Mattered.”* Gaillard will be joined by author Sena Jeter Maslund. In a series of carefully crafted, often deeply personal essays, Gaillard blends memoir, history, and critical analysis to explore the works of Harper Lee, Anne Frank, James Baldwin, Robert Penn Warren, John Steinbeck, and many others. If you enjoy reading, you will want to attend.

For more information, call 404-865-7109. You can keep up with the Carter Library events on the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library page on Facebook and follow the CarterLibrary on Twitter. If you wish to unsubscribe to these news releases, simply email tony.clark@nara.gov and put “UNSUBSCRIBE” in the subject line.