September Authors

From College Life to College Football and A Lot In Between

Atlanta, GA. - We have an exciting line-up of authors coming to the Carter Presidential Library for free book signings in September. Here’s a list.

Sept. 6...7:00pm…Carrol Dadisman…Dear Old U-G-A

"Dear Old U-G-A" captures the personalities and flavor of campus life at the University of Georgia from 1893 to the present. Reports from The Red and Black student newspaper trace the colorful history of student organizations, reveal origins of campus traditions, chronicle the overcoming of resistance to coeducation and desegregation.

Sept. 11…7:00pm…Peter Doherty…Pandemics: What Everyone Needs to Know

In Pandemics, Peter Doherty, who won the Nobel Prize for his work on how the immune system recognizes virus-infected cells, offers an essential guide to one of the truly life-or-death issues of our age. In concise, question-and-answer format, he explains the causes of pandemics, how they can be counteracted with vaccines and drugs, and how we can better prepare for them in the future.

Sept. 12 at 7:00pm….Fred Gray… Bus Ride to Justice: The Life & Works of Fred Gray

Of particular interest to historians and civil rights scholars will be the details Fred Gray reveals for the first time about Rosa Parks 1955 arrest. Gray was the young lawyer who represented not only Parks but also Martin Luther King Jr. and the Montgomery Improvement Association that organized to run the 382-day bus boycott. Gray is the last survivor of that inner circle.

Sept. 18 at 7:00pm….Tal McThenia & Margaret Cutright… A Case for Solomon.

In 1912, four-year-old Bobby Dunbar went missing in the Louisiana swamps. After an eight-month search that electrified the country and destroyed Bobby’s parents, the boy was found, filthy and hardly recognizable. A wandering piano tuner was arrested and charged with kidnapping—a crime then punishable by death. But when a destitute single mother came forward from North Carolina to claim the boy as her son, not the lost Bobby Dunbar, the case became a high-pitched battle over custody—and identity—that divided the South.

Sept. 20 at 7:00pm…. Colin McAdam… A Beautiful Truth

Told simultaneously from the perspective of humans and chimpanzees, set in a Vermont home and a Florida primate research facility, A Beautiful Truth—at times brutal, other times deeply moving—is about the simple truths that transcend species, the meaning of family, the lure of belonging, and the capacity for survival.

Sept. 24 at 7:00 pm….Sena Jeter Naslund….The Fountain of St. James Court; or, Portrait of the Artist as an Old Woman

"[A] lively and pointed variation on James Joyce’s A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man…this is an incisive and keenly pleasurable novel about women artists overcoming adversity to create “joyful work” that celebrates life’s beauty and wonder.”
Sept. 26 at 7:00pm...Samuel Freeman...Breaking The Line: The Season in Black College Football That Transformed the Sport and Changed the Course of Civil Rights

Breaking the Line brings to life the historic saga of the battle for the 1967 black college championship, culminating in a riveting, excruciatingly close contest. Samuel G. Freedman traces the rise of these four leaders and their teammates as they storm through the season. Together they helped compel the segregated colleges of the South to integrate their teams and redefined who could play quarterback in the NFL, who could be a head coach, and who could run a franchise as general manager.

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