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Carter Library Author Program Kicks into High Gear

Atlanta, GA- The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library has a host of fascinating authors for you to meet over the next month, and we start out with a bang. Here's a quick look at the schedule:

April 24...Charles Frazier...Varina: A Novel
April 26...Rick Bragg...The Best Cook in the World
May 2...Donald Johnson...The Wealth of a Nation
May 3....Stuart Eizenstat...President Carter: The White House Years (Cecil B. Day Chapel)
May 7....Karsh is History (Film Screening & Exhibit Tour)
May 8...Joe Crespino...Atticus Finch: The Biography
May 9... Khaled A. Beydoun.... American Islamophobia
May 10...Jesmyn Ward...Sing, Unburied, Sing: A Novel (Cecil B. Day Chapel- TICKETED EVENT)
May 10...Sandro Galea...Healthier (Museum Theater)
May 16...Thomas Ricks...Churchill & Orwell
May 21...Jon Meacham...The Soul of America (Cecil B. Day Chapel-TICKETED EVENT)
May 23...Larry Smith (ed)...Fresh Off the Boat
May 30....John Crocker.....Following Fifi

All the programs begin at 7:00 pm; all but a few are in the museum theater and a couple are ticketed.

Here are more details of what we've got coming.

April 24...Charles Frazier... *Varina: A Novel*

Intimate in its detailed observations of one woman's tragic life and epic in its scope and power, *Varina* is a novel of an American war and its aftermath. Ultimately, the book is a portrait of a woman who comes to realize that complicity carries consequences.

April 26...Rick Bragg... *The Best Cook in the World*

From the beloved, best-selling author of *All Over but the Shoutin'*, a delectable, rollicking food memoir, cookbook, and loving tribute to a region, a vanishing history, a family, and, especially, to his mother. Including seventy-four mouthwatering Bragg family recipes for classic southern dishes passed down through generations.

May 2...Donald Johnson... *The Wealth of a Nation*

Johnson draws on his experience as a former U.S. Trade Representative for President Bill Clinton in this lucid and distinguished examination of the history of trade in America. Johnson provides reassuring evidence that the country's current politico-economic climate is not unique, or even new, reminding readers that trade debates date to the founding fathers, as do protectionist movements.

May 3...Stuart Eizenstat... *President Carter: The White House Years (Cecil B. Day Chapel)*

Stuart Eizenstat was at Jimmy Carter's side from his political rise in Georgia through four years in the White House, where he served as Chief Domestic Policy Adviser. He was directly involved in all domestic and economic decisions as well as in many foreign policy ones. This is a comprehensive history of an underappreciated president—and an intimate view on how the presidency works. Co-sponsored by the World Affairs Council of Atlanta.

May 7...Karsh is History (Film Screening & Exhibit Tour)

This hour-long documentary traces the life and career of internationally-known portrait photographer Yousuf Karsh. A tour of the exhibition will follow the screening.

May 8...Joe Crespino...*Atticus Finch: The Biography*

In *Atticus Finch*, historian Joseph Crespino draws on exclusive sources to reveal how Harper Lee's father provided the central inspiration for each of her books. A lawyer and newspaperman, A. C. Lee was a principled opponent of mob rule, yet he was also a racial paternalist. Harper Lee created the Atticus of *Watchman* out of the ambivalence she felt toward white southerners like him.

May 9... Khaled A. Beydoun... *American Islamophobia*

“In this political climate, Beydoun is a much-needed and critical voice, analyst, commentator, and researcher. Unapologetically Muslim and Arab American, he speaks and writes truth to power, steering us away from comfort and forcing us to confront racism through our own relationships with it. Brilliant and witty, he tells it like it is.”—Linda Sarsour, cochair of the 2017 Women’s March.

May 10...Jesmyn Ward...*Sing, Unburied, Sing: A Novel* (Cecil B. Day Chapel- TICKETED EVENT)

Jesmyn Ward discusses her National Book Award-winning novel, "Sing, Unburied, Sing," “The heart of Jesmyn Ward’s *Sing, Unburied, Sing* is story—the yearning for a narrative to help us understand ourselves, the pain of the gaps we’ll never fill, the truths that are failed by words and must be translated through ritual and song...Ward’s writing throbs with life, grief, and love, and this book is the kind that makes you ache to return to it.” —Buzzfeed

May 10...Sandro Galea...*Healthier* (Museum Theater)

Dr. Sandro Galea, the Dean at the School of Public Health at Boston University discusses 50 ideas on public health. His book, "*Healthier*" is both an affirmation and an essential summary of the current challenges and opportunities for those working in and around the improvement of population health. The essays contained here champion an approach to health that is consequentialist and rooted in social justice -- an expansion of traditional, quantitatively motivated public health that will both inform and inspire any reader from student to seasoned practitioner.

May 16...Thomas Ricks...*Churchill & Orwell*

Tom Ricks provides a dual biography of Winston Churchill and George Orwell, who preserved democracy from the threats of authoritarianism, from the left and right alike. In Thomas E. Ricks's masterful hands, their lives are a beautiful testament to the power of moral conviction, and to the courage it can take to stay true to it, through thick and thin.....A New York Times Book Review Notable Book of 2017.

May 21....Jon Meacham...*The Soul of America (TICKETED EVENT)*

Pulitzer Prize–winning author Jon Meacham helps us understand the present moment in American politics and life by looking back at critical times in our history when hope overcame division and fear. Meacham will discuss his book *The Soul of America* with Pulitzer Prize winning author Doug Blackmon.

May 23...Larry Smith (ed)...*Fresh Off the Boat*

In *Six Words Fresh Off the Boat*, Larry Smith—founder of SixWordMemoirs.com and its bestselling book series—and the creators of the ABC's *Fresh Off the Boat*, explore stories of immigration, identity, and coming to America. These dynamic stories of survival, struggle and success will give you pause, make you laugh, and renew your hope for our great nation. Crowdsourced from recent immigrants, refugees, and families who have been here for generations, this powerful collection includes President Jimmy Carter, Secretary Madeleine Albright, Junot Diaz, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, Mila Kunis, Aziz Ansari, and more.

May 30....John Crocker.....*Following Fifi*

As a young student, John Crocker embarked on the adventure of a lifetime, spending eight months in the Gombe forest working with Jane Goodall. He followed families of wild chimpanzees from sunrise to sunset and learned the fundamental behavioral traits of these chimps as they raised their offspring. This is the story of that adventure.

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