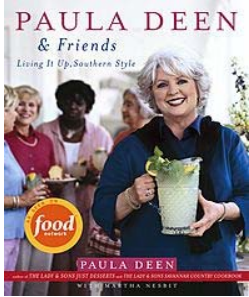


LIVE AT BARBARA'S

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Paula Deen

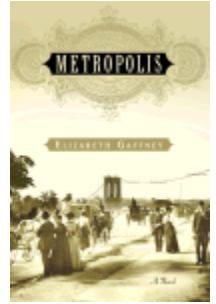
Friday 4.01 noon Marshall Field's

Join the Queen of Southern Food, and Food Network superstar Paula Deen, as she signs copies of her fabulous new cookbook, PAULA DEEN AND FRIENDS : Living it Up, Southern Style, at Barbara's Bookstore Marshall Field's. From informal get-togethers for a few friends to elegant cocktail parties for multitudes, this is effortless entertaining at its most fun. This is a signing only event, please call 312.781.3033 for further details.

Elizabeth Gaffney

Tuesday 4.12 7:30 Oak Park

Brilliantly exploring the wonder, violence and magic of New York in the years just after the Civil War, METROPOLIS, by former Paris Review editor Elizabeth Gaffney, follows two young immigrants from very different backgrounds as they try to follow their American dreams through the chaos of the city. At once a coming of age story, a social panorama, a criminal mystery, and a love story, this is a superb debut by a promising literary talent.



Tracy Rosensteel

Saturday 4.02 1:00pm Marshall Field's

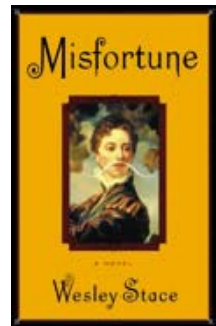
Join grade school superheroes J.P. and Joe on their first adventure - FLUB-A-DUB-CHUB AND THE SLEEPWALKING MARTIAN. This story of jet-pack boots, hot-dog shaped pranksters, talking lint balls and, you guessed it, sleepwalking martians, is sure to delight everyone with imagination and a taste for the unique and the funny. This book may be meant for kids, but they shouldn't hoard all of the fun, read it for yourself.



Wesley Stace

Wednesday 4.13 7:30 UIC

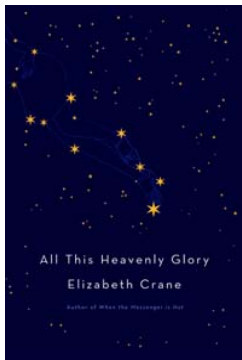
Literary critic, rock star, and now novelist, Wesley Stace (AKA John Wesley Harding) has had an incredible career. MISFORTUNE, Dickensian adventure that grew from one of his songs about a boy who is raised as a girl, will delight fans of big, bawdy, intelligent novels. A baby boy is rescued by an eccentric English lord as his daughter. When puberty hits, "Rose" flees his beloved father, travels the world, and comes to terms with his identity in a way no teenager could ever imagine.



Elizabeth Crane

Wednesday 4.06 7:30 pm Oak Park

Here are the events and evils that make up a life: a junior-high-school fashion crisis, a best friend's betrayal, substance abuse, recovery, finding a satisfying career, dating fiascoes, the perfect relationship, the illness and slow death of a parent. This is the life of Charlotte Anne Byers, told by Elizabeth (When the Messenger is Hot) Crane in ALL THIS HEAVENLY GLORY. This is the perfect story for any girl who tried to fit in, who grew up into a woman who was glad she didn't.



John Jeremiah Sullivan

Thursday 4.14 7:30 pm Oak Park

One evening veteran sportswriter Mike Sullivan was asked by his son what he remembered best from his three decades in the press box. The answer came as a surprise. "I was at Secretariat's Derby, in '73. That was...just beauty, you know?" John Jeremiah Sullivan didn't know, but he found out, journeying from prehistoric caves to the Kentucky Derby in pursuit of what Edwin Muir called "our long-lost archaic companionship" with the horse. The result is BLOOD HORSES: Notes of a Sportswriter's Son.



Richard J. Franke

Thursday 4.07 7:30 pm UIC

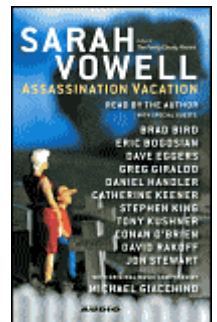
Richard J. Franke is a Chicago legend. From his time at John Nuveen and Co., to his place on the University of Chicago Board of Trustees, to his founding of the Chicago Humanities Festival he has had a deep impact on the cultural life of our beloved home. In CUT FROM WHOLE CLOTH: An Immigrant Experience, Franke shares the story of his grandparents, near penniless German immigrants who passed on a legacy of success based on hard work, love and an appreciation of life as it should be lived.



Sarah Vowell

Thursday 4.14 7:30 pm UIC

Sarah (Partly Cloudy Patriot) Vowell exposes the glorious conundrums of American history and culture with wit and an irreverent sense of humor in ASSASSINATION VACATION. Sarah takes us on a road trip like no other - a journey to the pit stops of American political murder and through the myriad ways in which they have been used for fun and profit, for political and cultural advantage. This is the disturbing and amusing story of how American death has been manipulated by popular culture in all of its strange forms.



COMING SOON :

5.2 Philip Caputo- 13 SECONDS / 5.3 Bill Fitzhugh - HIGHWAY 61 RESURFACED / 5.9 Eric Bogosian - WASTED BEAUTY / 5.10 Adam Langer - CROSSING CALIFORNIA / 5.13 Luis Rodriguez - MUSIC OF THE MILL / 5.20 Alison Kraus - HISTORY OF LOVE

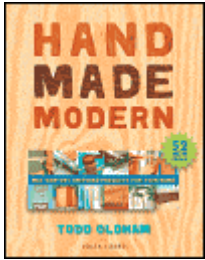
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Todd Oldham

Wednesday 4.20 noon Marshall Field's

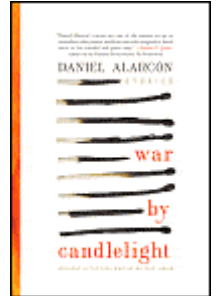
Love the look of mid-century, modern, retro designs, but don't feel like dropping two weeks pay on an Eames chair? Todd Oldham shares his passion for mid-century modern homes with over 72 build-it-yourself projects in **HANDMADE MODERN**. This is the perfect book for the lover of the style, the do-it-yourselfer, or anyone looking to add a bit of the personal to their home or workplace. This is a signing only event. Please call 312.781.3033 for further details.



Daniel Alarcón

Tuesday 4.26 7:30 pm UIC

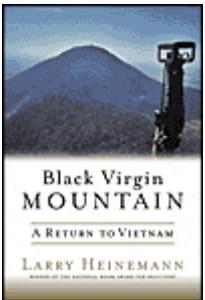
Lima, Peru is to Daniel Alarcón what Yoknapatawpha was to William Faulkner - not a geographic reality, so much as a fictive one, a place in which his flawed and fragile characters can live and breathe. **WAR BY CANDLELIGHT** collects some of Alarcón's already award-winning short stories, and along with never before published works by this writer who was described by Chris Offutt as "powerful, poetic, and bold."



Larry Heinemann

Thursday 4.21 7:30 pm Oak Park

Chicago writer and National Book Award winner Larry (Paco's Story) Heinemann's return to Vietnam is chronicled in **BLACK VIRGIN MOUNTAIN**. During this trip he discovered such things as how Vietnamese soldiers were prepared to fight alongside Americans - reading Twain and Whitman, for instance - and realizes profound qualities that no soldier can see in combat. This is a reflection, and Heinemann's scathing account of the mistakes of war.



Cheryl Reed

Thursday 4.28 7:30pm Oak Park

What began as a job for reporter Cheryl Reed became a four year journey traveling the country and living with various orders of nuns - a journey that changed her life. Her new book **UNVEILED: The Hidden Lives of Nuns**, is the result of many hours spent accessing the inner lives of women with whom few of us have intimate contact. Interviewing more than 300 different nuns, with diverse beliefs and lifestyles, from over 50 different orders, Reed has learned that there are as many ways to be a nun as there are to be a woman.



Jeff Smith

Saturday 4.23 2:00 pm Oak Park

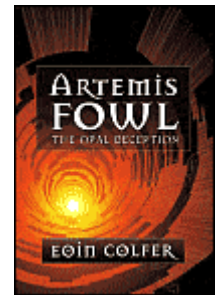
BONE: Out From Boneville, Jeff Smith's classic comic is Now In Color! In this epic, the three Bone cousins-Fone Bone, Phoney Bone, and Smiley Bone-are separated and lost in an uncharted desert. One by one, they find their way into a forested valley filled with wonderful and terrifying creatures. Eventually, they are reunited at a farmstead run by tough Gran'ma Ben and her spirited granddaughter Thorn. But little do the Bones know, there are dark forces conspiring against them, and their adventure is only just beginning!



Eoin Colfer

Saturday 4.30 11:00am UIC

There is only one young man anywhere near as famous as Harry Potter (although he would probably cringe at the comparison) and his name is Artemis Fowl, the young, criminal mastermind. His chronicler, Eoin Colfer, will be at Barbara's UIC to sign copies of **THE OPAL DECEPTION**, the fourth in his series on Artemis's nefarious deeds. This will be a signing only event, please call us at 312.413.2665 (BOOK) for further details.



John Jacob

Sunday 4.24 3:30 pm Oak Park

Acclaimed Oak Park poet and writer John Jacob visits Barbara's for Poetry month, reading from his most recent work, **NIGHT OF THE DOLPHIN**. Jacob's narration here is based on solitude, and on the desire to see the bright beauty beneath the detritus of life. Loneliness, isolation and distance may be part of these poems, but the terse style creates an aura of reserve around the work, which is unsentimental and aims at a higher truth than can be found with emotional grandstanding.



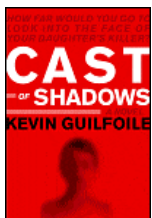
WBEZ's Stories On Stage

live performance season continues on Sunday April 3rd at 3pm with-
NOVELLA

Back by popular demand! For true addicts of storytelling, we present a reading of a classic novella from start to finish—with a break for dinner. Directed by Judy O'Malley.

All performances are at the Museum of Contemporary Art—220 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago.

Barbara's Recommends you take a book out for coffee, it's still too cold to take it to the park:

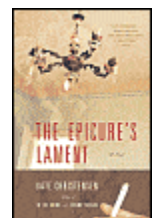


Cast of Shadows-Kevin Guilfoile

Local writer Guilfoile proves that literary writing and thriller pacing can go hand in hand in this story of a man of science who abuses his position to try and find his daughter's murderer.

The Epicure's Lament-Kate Christensen

A Barbara's favorite in hardcover, we hope it will have a larger audience in paper. Hugo Whittier has gone home to die, if only his unwelcome family will leave him alone long enough to do it.



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