

LITERARY SCENE



NEW YORK | CHICAGO

Chicago and New York offer a wide range of exciting and informative literary events, from book signings by bestselling authors to publishing industry expos. Whether you are a writer, a published author, an industry insider, a vendor or an avid reader of fiction, there's always plenty to choose from. On this page we've attempted to list some of the events that are most closely connected to the thriller and suspense genres, but it is by no means a comprehensive list. We encourage you to check your local papers, bookstore websites and literary organizations for event updates.

LITERARY EVENTS NEW YORK

December 4, 2011

The Writer's Studio: 2011 Pushcart Prize Reading

4:00 p.m.

Le Poisson Rouge, 158 Bleecker St., NYC

Authors Lydia Davis, Sigrid Nunez, Mark Strand, and Susan Wheeler will read works in honor of the literary prize.

December 5, 2011

The Writer's Studio: 2011 Pushcart Prize Reading

8:00 p.m.

92nd Street Y, 1395 Lexington Ave., NYC

Cuban-American writer Oscar Hijuelos, author of the memoir *Thoughts Without Cigarettes*, will discuss his new novel, *Chango's Beads and Two-Tone Shoes*, set in Cuba in the fifties.

December 11, 2011

KGB Bar Fiction Reading Series

7:00-9:00 p.m.

KGB Bar, 85 E. 4th St., 2nd fl, NYC
www.kgbbar.com

A lively weekly reading scene featuring talented authors in a fun locale. This evening will feature Pulitzer Prize

winning author Robert Olen Butler, who's published twelve novels, among them *The Alleys of Eden*, *Sun Dogs*, *The Deuce*, and numerous short fiction and other writings.

January 22, 2012

Readings by Ellis Avery and Eli Gottlieb
7:00-9:00 p.m.

KGB Bar, 85 E. 4th St., 2nd fl, NYC
www.kgbbar.com

Avery is the author of the award-winning novel, *The Teahouse Fire*, and Gottlieb authored the New York Times Notable Book, *The Boy Who Went Away*, and the bestselling *Now You See Him*, and will read from his new novel *The Face Thief*.

January 23-25, 2012

Digital Book World Expo

Sheraton Towers & Hotel, New York, NY
www.digitalbookworldconference.com

This is a conference of particular importance to trade publishers who want to keep track of the book business in today's increasingly digital environment.

LITERARY EVENTS CHICAGO

November 19-20, 2011

Chicago Book Expo

Sat., 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sun., 12-6 p.m.

The former Borders (4720 N. Broadway)

Presented by Chicago Writers House, the event will feature more than 40 Chicago area publishers will participate in the event, spread over the entire ground floor space of the former Borders in Uptown.



November 20, 2011

Book Signing by David Heinzmann

1:30-3:00 p.m.

Centuries & Sleuths Bookstore
7419 W. Madison St., Forest Park
www.centuriesandsleuths.com

David Heinzmann returns to Centuries and Sleuths to discuss & sign his latest mystery *Throwaway Girl*.

November 21, 2011

Luncheon with Author Nada Prouty

12:00-1:30 p.m., The Union League Club,
65 W. Jackson Blvd, Chicago (to register,
call The Book Stall, 847.446.8880)

Nada Prouty will discuss her book *Uncompromised: The Rise, Fall, and Redemption of an Arab American Patriot in the CIA*, a story covering her life as an Arab immigrant inducted into the FBI and involved in CIA operations before being charged with sharing intelligence with Hezbollah and stripped of her U.S. citizenship, only to eventually be exonerated of all charges.

December 7, 2011

Reading Under the Influence (RUI)

7:00-9:00 p.m.

Sheffield's

3258 N. Sheffield Ave. (\$3 cover)

A monthly reading series created by Chicago writers Amanda Snyder, Carly Huegelmann, Rob Duffer, Joe Tower and Julia Borcherts. Each event features RUI regulars and outside guests reading short pieces of original work.

January 3, 2012

Book Signing by Sara Paretsky

7:00 p.m.

Anderson's Bookshop

123 West Jefferson, Naperville

www.andersonsbookshop.com

New York Times best-selling author Sara Paretsky will presents her latest V.I. Warshawski novel, *Breakdown*, a Vampire style mystery set in Chicago.

January 7, 2012

Book Signing by Julie Hyzy

1:30-3:00 p.m.

Centuries & Sleuths Bookstore

7419 W. Madison St., Forest Park

www.centuriesandsleuths.com

Julie will talk about her fifth White House Chef, Olivia Paras mystery, *Affairs of Steak* and her Manor House series.

February 3-5, 2012

Love is Murder Mystery Conference

Intercontinental Hotel Chicago O'Hare

5300 N. River Rd., Rosemont

www.loveismurder.net

The 13th annual convention is open to writers, readers, educational groups and for-profit vendors. There will be panels and other presentations by numerous bestselling authors, including Julie James, David Morrell, and Donald Bain.