## Hold On, I'm Coming Author Showcase

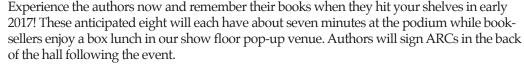


12:00 noon to 1:00 pm

Sunday, October 2

**Exhibit Hall** 

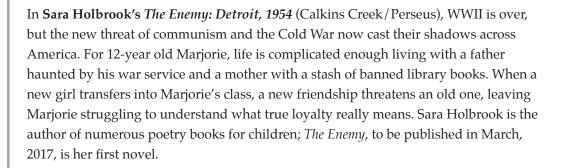
Sara Holbrook



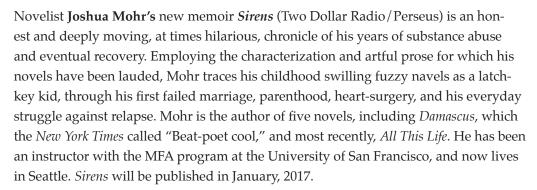
Box lunches require pre-purchased tickets. Event open to all badge holders, lunch purchase not required.



A.G. Howard



Bestselling young adult author **A. G. Howard** draws on her love of *The Phantom of the Opera* as inspiration for her new novel *RoseBlood* (Amulet/Abrams). Rune Germain may have the voice of an angel, but a mysterious affliction leaves her sick and exhausted after she sings. Hoping for a cure, Rune is sent to the RoseBlood Academy, a boarding school outside Paris housed in a former opera house, and rumored to be haunted. Rune's chance meeting with a mysterious boy will either be her cure, or will mean her final destruction. Howard is also the author of the Splintered series. *RoseBlood* is due January, 2017.



Cartoonist **Steve Moore** introduces a new series for middle readers with *King of the Bench: No Fear!* (Harper). Moore's deadpan humor and wacky black and white drawings featuring Spiro T. Agnew Middle School's perpetual benchwarmer Steve will instantly appeal to fans of *Timmy Failure* and *Big Nate*. Moore is the creator of the nationally syndicated cartoon *Into the Bleachers* and a producer of animated feature films. He lives in Idaho with his three children, a dog, a parrot, and a snake named Tina Fey. *King of the Bench: No Fear!* is due February, 2017 - just in time for spring training.



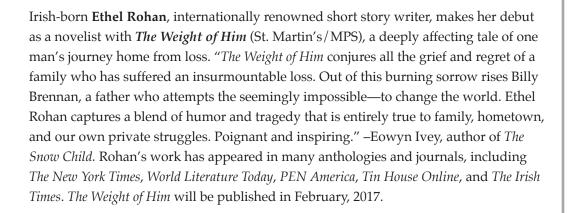
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Jason Rekulak's debut novel *The Impossible Fortress* (S&S) begins with a magazine. It's 1987 and *Playboy* has just published scandalous photographs of *Wheel of Fortune* beauty Vanna White. For three teenage boys who are desperately uneducated in the ways of women, the magazine is somewhat of a Holy Grail: priceless beyond measure and impossible to attain. So they hatch a plan to steal it. Rekulak's story ably combines the sweetness of young love, the confusion of male adolescence, and surprisingly, the allure of computer programming. Jason Rekulak lives in Philadelphia and is the publisher of Quirk Books. *The Impossible Fortress* will be published in February, 2017.



From bestselling author **Chevy Stevens** comes *Never Let You Go* (St. Martin's/MPS) a new thriller of page-turning suspense. Lindsey Nash has started a new life after her abusive ex-husband has been sent to jail. She thinks she has freed herself from the past, but she cannot shake the feeling that someone is watching her every move. Her ex is the obvious suspect—but what if it's someone else? Stevens is the author of six previous novels, including *Still Missing*, which won the International Thrillers Writers Award for Best First Novel. Chevy Stevens lives on Vancouver Island. *Never Let You Go* will be published in March, 2017.

Gem & Dixie (Balzer + Bray/Harper) is the new novel from renowned young adult author and National Book Award finalist Sara Zarr—a deep, nuanced, and gorgeously written story about the complex relationship between two sisters from a broken home. Gem has grown up taking care of her younger sister Dixie, never able to rely on their addict mother or con artist father. When their father finally does show up, it's just to stash a pile of cash in the house, and the two girls decide to take a chance and break away. Sara Zarr is one of the premier writers of realistic issue-based teen fiction, author of Story of a Life, Once Was Lost and How to Save a Life. She lives in Salt Lake City. Gem & Dixie is due April, 2017.



Jason Rekulak



**Ethel Rohan** 



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Sara Zarr