

2011 One Book, One Denver Event Guide

2011 Selection is *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein

The 2011 One Book, One Denver program is presented by Arts & Venues Denver and McDonald's.

An Adventure Awaits at Every Turn! There's something for everyone during the 2011 One Book, One Denver program.

All activities and events are free and open to the public. RSVP required for some events. Otherwise, seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Sign language interpreter provided upon request; three business days notice required. Contact Lorrie Kosinski at 720-913-8487, 720-913-8487 TTY or lorrie.kosinski@denvergov.org.

Scavenger Hunt

Copies of *The Art of Racing in the Rain* have been placed in the McDonalds on 16th and Champa and The Oxford Hotel.

Denverites are encouraged to visit these locations and find the books. The books are hidden in public spaces throughout each location. There is a limit of one book per person. A sign will be placed outside each location once all books have been found.

Both McDonalds and The Oxford Hotel have hidden special offers in some of the books at their locations.

Radio Drama

For the fourth year in a row, Colorado Public Radio will feature a radio drama relating to the One Book, One Denver selection. Tune in the last week of October for this year's four-part broadcast at 90.1 FM or online at www.cpr.org.

Canine Creations

Saturday, September 24

10AM

Schlessman Family Branch, Denver Public Library
100 Poplar Street (1st and Quebec)

Join Denver Public Library for a craft inspired by *The Art of Racing in the Rain* - you'll make a little something for you AND for your favorite furry friend. We can also chat about the book while we craft.

Seating is limited and on a first come first serve basis

One Book, Many Films has Gone to the Dogs and the Races

Presented by the Denver Film Society / Denver FilmCenter Colfax
2510 E. Colfax

Monday, September 5

7PM

Marley and Me

After their wedding, newspaper writers John and Jennifer Grogan move to Florida. In an attempt to stall Jennifer's "biological clock", John gives her a puppy. While the puppy Marley grows into a 100 pound dog, he loses none of his puppy energy or rambunctiousness. Meanwhile, Marley gains no self-discipline. Marley's antics give John rich material for his newspaper column. As the Grogans mature and have children of their own, Marley continues to test everyone's patience by acting like the world's most impulsive dog.

Monday, September 12

7PM

Winning

Professional race-car driver Frank Capua (Paul Newman) takes a breather from the racing circuit to focus on fatherhood after marrying a single mother (Joanne Woodward) with a 13-year-old son (Richard Thomas). But when Frank decides to participate in the Indianapolis 500 -- the racing world's greatest spectacle -- he immerses himself in his work, driving his neglected wife into the arms of a rival (Robert Wagner).

Monday, September 19

7PM

Look Who's Talking Now

In this, the third film, it's the pets who do the talking. The Ubriacco's find themselves the owners of two dogs, Rocks, a street wise cross breed, and Daphne, a spoiled pedigree poodle. James has a new job, pilot to the sexy and lonely Samantha. Mollie's just lost her job and is stuck at home.

Monday, September 26

7PM

Wendy and Lucy

A woman's life is derailed en route to a potentially lucrative summer job. When her car breaks down, and her dog is taken to the pound, the thin fabric of her financial situation comes apart, and she is led through a series of increasingly dire economic decisions.

Seating is limited and on a first come first served basis

Poetry Slam

Friday, September 30

8:00pm

Crossroads Theater

2590 Washington Street

Denver's national award winning poetry slam team will delight the audience with a One Book, One Denver themed slam featuring Emmy Award-nominated Liza Garza. An HBO Def poet and vocalist, Liza, possesses the uncommon ability to keep listeners captivated while provoking social change and action in the community.

You Never Knew Until I Spoke, her first book of poetry, was published in 2005 followed by the release of her debut album 'BloomBeautiful' in October 2006. Currently Liza is in the process of recording her sophomore project with an expected fall 2011 release date.

Seating is limited and based on a first come first served.

Stories on Stage

Wednesday, October 5, October 19 and October 26

6:30PM

Crossroads Theater

2590 Washington St.

Chip Persons with Stories on stage will present a dramatic reading from the book with some lively discussion about the material afterwards. Chip has appeared in New York: *Švejk*, *Andorra*, Title role in *Richard III*, *Godard: Distant & Right*, *The Song of Seven Cities*, *Foodstable*, *Hamlet*, *Cold*; Colorado Shakespeare Festival: *Measure for Measure*, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, Title role in *Richard III*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Henry VI, Parts 1-3*, *The Two Gentlemen of Verona*; International: *Angels in America* (E. Europe premiere), *Blue Window*, *The King Stag*, *A Christmas Carol*

And on television both nationally and internationally *Law & Order*, *Psych* (Discovery Channel), *Return to Paradise Lost*, *Hidden in Silence*, *Young Ivanhoe*, *Unsolved Mysteries*

Awards

Denver Post Ovation Award Nomination, Best Actor for *Richard III* (Colorado Shakespeare Festival)

**Seating is limited, please RSVP for any show date to Niece Washington
720.865.4325**

The Art of Salsa and Dog Bones

Presented by The Seasoned Chef Cooking School
999 Jasmine St., Ste. 100

Visit www.theseasonedchef.com for directions

Four class sessions are available:

Friday, September 9, 6:30-8:00PM

Friday, September 16, 6:30-8:00PM

Friday, September 23, 6:30-8:00PM

Friday, October 14, 6:30-8:00PM

Join professional chef and instructor Amy Hoyt along with Enzo and his fans in the kitchen as we create some of his favorite treats. We will be making two kinds of salsa for masters to enjoy with their dogs as well as two healthy and easy treats, including a classic dog bone for the Enzo.

Seating is limited and reservations are required. Please RSVP to 720-865-4325 or [register online](#) .

Pottery Painting, Glass Fusing or Canvas Painting

Presented by Ceramics in the City
1912 Pearl Street

Pottery Painting –

Sunday, September 18 12pm – 5pm

Monday, September 19 – Saturday, September 24 9am -11pm

Get in touch with your creative side and make a nice gift for yourself or your best friend of painted pottery. No experience necessary - all materials included! Ages 6 to adult

Glass Fusing –

Sunday, September 25 12pm – 5pm

Monday, September 26 – Saturday, October 1 9am -11pm

This fun event features instruction in glass fusing. Learn how to cut and nip glass. You will be making an ornament that can be hung in the window or on the wall. Ages 10 to adult

Call for an appointment in groups of 5 or less or on your own. Seating is limited and reservations are required. Please RSVP to 303-200-0461

Canvas Painting

Wednesday, October 12 at 6:30pm

Instructors will take you step by step through the “Walking in the Rain” painting. Don’t worry if you have never painted before, you will enjoy being amazed at your inner artist!

reservations are required. Please RSVP 720.865.4325

Writing Your First Novel with William Haywood Henderson

Part of Lighthouse Writers Workshop’s Buzz Series

Saturday, September 17, 10:00AM-12:00PM

Lighthouse Writers Workshop

1515 Race Street

Most of us need to think less about writing a masterpiece than writing a first draft. How do you start your own first novel, or push beyond the initial stages to envision and write the whole thing? Join Lighthouse Writers Workshop faculty William Haywood Henderson, whose own novels *Native*, *The Rest of the Earth* and *Augusta Locke* have established him as one of the West's great literary voices, in this interactive, writing-intensive workshop.

Teen Writing Workshop

Part of Lighthouse Writers Workshop’s Buzz Series

Sunday, September 25, 10:00AM-12:00 PM

Lighthouse Writers Workshop

1515 Race Street

Virginia Wolfe wrote that the experience of the mass is behind the single voice. In this free writing workshop for young writers ages 12 to 18, we’ll try on different voices to tell universal truths. Whether you’re a fiction writer or poet, an essayist or something in-

between, you'll learn how to experiment with perspectives in your writing to reveal secrets and deliver the words the world hasn't yet heard. Young writers in this workshop will be crafting pieces they can submit to the One Book, One Denver Young Writer's Contest.

Seating is limited and reservations are required. Please RSVP to 720-865-4325 or [register online](#)

Teen Writing Contest

Presented by Lighthouse Writers Workshop

Writing Contest Prompt: Write a story in the voice of someone who has difficulty communicating. There are no rules about whose voice you use – you can embody the brain of an animal like Garth Stein did in *The Art of Racing in the Rain*, or a person who struggles with language, or even yourself at your most estranged or tongue-tied moments.

Stories whether true or fictional should be no more than 1000 words in length, typed in 12-point font and double-spaced. Entries will be judged based on the quality of the writing, originality, subject matter and the way the story moves. Finalists will be judged by local writers from the [Lighthouse Writers Workshop](#) faculty. One winner will be chosen from three age groups: 12-13, 14-15 and 16 and up. Prizes include gift certificates for writing workshops, bookstores and movie passes!

Entry Guidelines: Stories must be postmarked by Monday, October 10. We prefer that you send your entry via e-mail attachment (please attach it as a PDF or Word file) to meg@lighthousewriters.org.

Or, send them via snail mail to:

One Book, One Denver Teen Writing Contest Lighthouse Writers Workshop
1515 Race St.
Denver, CO 80206

Please include your age, grade in school, e-mail/address/phone number and school name with your entry.

Grand Prize awarded in each of three age categories.

Each Prize Package contains:

One free writing workshop at Lighthouse Writers Workshop

\$25 gift certificate to the Tattered Cover Book Store

Two movie passes to the Denver FilmCenter/Colfax

Gift card to McDonald's

Book Discussions

Each book discussion will explore a different topic relating to *The Art of Racing in the Rain*.

Join us at one or more!

Wednesday, September 7, Pubtalk

7:30PM

Hooked on Colfax
3213 E. Colfax Ave
Denver, CO 80206

We'll bring the experts, you buy the beer. Join us for a Colorado Humanities & Center for the Book Pubtalk with Dr. Leyton Seth Curl, Chair of the Metro State College of Denver Department of Psychology and Dr. Rhea Dodd, CSU certified veterinary acupuncturist from Gentle Vet. Dr. Curl chairs the professional development and research activities in social and multicultural psychology as well as human sexuality. Dr. Dodd received her Doctorate in Veterinary Medicine from Colorado State University in 1992, and holds a Master's Degree in behavioral ecology from the University of Colorado at Boulder. She became certified in Veterinary Acupuncture in 2001, and was then selected to help teach the acupuncture course at Colorado State University. Dr. Dodd has advanced training in behavioral medicine and has 15 years clinical experience solving animal behavior problems. She has trained her own dogs in obedience, rally-O, agility and sheep herding.

In addition to treating patients, Dr. Dodd lectures, teaches and writes about pet behavior and alternative therapies. She has been featured on 9News, WB2, Channel 4, in the Denver Post, the Rocky Mountain News, the Denver Daily News and Colorado Parent. She is a popular speaker for such organizations as the Denver Dumb Friends League, the Cat Care Society, the Denver Veterinary Medical Association and Freedom Service Dogs.

Sunday, September 11

10AM

Oxford Hotel
1600 17th Street
Denver, CO 80202

Saturday, October 15

2PM

Schlessman Family Branch Library
100 Poplar Street
Denver, CO 80220

Colorado Book Award winner for literary fiction, Teague Bohlen will lead a book discussion over breakfast. Teague Bohlen is the author of the novel, *The Pull of the Earth*, published in 2006, and a writer for magazines and journals online and in-print, locally in Denver and nationwide. He teaches creative and non-fiction writing at the University of Colorado Denver and serves as the faculty advisor for the UCD student newspaper The Advocate. Presented in Partnership with Colorado Humanities & Center for the Book.

Tuesday, October 11

5:30PM

Tattered Cover Book Store – Colfax Location
2526 E. Colfax Ave.
Denver, CO 80206

Book discussion with Cathy Langer, Tattered Cover Lead Book Buyer

Seating is limited and reservations are required. Please RSVP to 720-865-4318 or www.DenverGov.org/OneBook.

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Dogs are People Too Photo Contest:

Presented by AVD

Visit www.DenverArtsInteractive.org to enter and vote!

Garth Stein's book *The Art of Racing in the Rain* brings to light the extraordinary relationship between man and his best friend. In this book you really get to know Enzo as a person or the person he wants to be. Show us that your dog has "person"ality. Contest ends on October 30, 2011 at midnight.

An Evening with the Author

Friday, October 28

7pm

The Studio Loft at Ellie Caulkins Opera House
1101 13th Street

Garth Stein is the pen name of Comet, a golden retriever mutt who dictates his profound and brilliantly plotted novels to his owner, the real Garth Stein, who likes to take credit for Comet's brilliant work and insights into canine minds.

Garth, the author of *New York Times* bestselling literary novel *The Art of Racing in the Rain* (Harper, 2008), Published in 23 languages so far, *The Art of Racing in the Rain* has received a 2008 Pacific Northwest Booksellers Association Book Award, and has

been made a #1 BookSense selection and a Starbucks book selection. Garth's previous novels include *How Evan Broke His Head and Other Secrets*, which also won a PNBA award and was a BookSense pick, and *Raven Stole the Moon*. So far, Comet (the real genius behind these books) has enjoyed all of the awards and critical acclaim, but wishes they came with dog biscuits. This is your chance to get the word from the horse's, or I guess that would be dog's, mouth. Garth Stein will present a reading and answer your questions on *The Art of Racing in the Rain*.

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