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CINCINNATI REGIONAL
Book Festival

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About Us

The mission of Books by the Banks is to entertain and enrich the lives of people in Southwest Ohio and Northern Kentucky. The organization works throughout the year to present and promote authors, while celebrating the joy of literacy and lifelong learning through reading and writing. The premiere event is the Books by the Banks Cincinnati Regional Book Festival held annually in downtown Cincinnati. The day-long festival, which is free and open to the public, features national, regional, and local authors and illustrators; book signings; panel discussions; and activities for the entire family to enjoy.

Festival Information

The 10th annual Books by the Banks Cincinnati Regional Book Festival is 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, 2016 at Duke Energy Convention Center, 525 Elm St., Cincinnati, OH 45202.

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Regional Book Festival Celebrates 10 Years, Expands to Year-Long Event

CINCINNATI — After 10 years of bringing the region's biggest and best book festival to downtown Cincinnati, Books by the Banks is expanding its reach with a brand-new lineup of events, culminating with the 10th annual Books by the Banks Cincinnati Regional Book Festival this fall.

This year, a total of 10 events, including the popular book festival in October and nine new lead-up events, will mark the organization's 10th anniversary.

"Our mission is to enrich the lives of people in the area through reading and writing and we're taking that joy and excitement beyond our annual festival," said Books by the Banks Board President Greg Edwards. "Expect to see Books by the Banks out in the community at a variety of events all year long."

Some of the 10 events include, a writing contest for adults and teenagers with cash prizes; special writing programs through partnerships with organizations such as Women Writing for (a) Change, University of Cincinnati, and WordPlay; a panel discussion with local illustrators to celebrate the launch of the festival's 10th anniversary poster; a book giveaway for school kids featuring local author and illustrator Will Hillenbrand; and Books by the Banks sponsored author talks at local libraries.

The 10th annual Books by the Banks Cincinnati Regional Book Festival is set for 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 15, 2016 at Duke Energy Convention Center, 525 Elm St., Cincinnati, OH 45202.

The event is expected to draw more than 100 authors from across the country, including local favorites and nationally bestselling writers. Author lineups throughout the festival's 10-year history have included blockbuster names such as "Gone Girl" author Gillian Flynn, world-wide young adult favorite Rainbow Rowell, beloved "Arthur" series creator Marc Brown, and many more.

For more information, and to see a complete schedule of the lead-up events, visit the organization's website at, www.booksbythebanks.org.



Fans meet authors and get books signed at the 2015 Books by the Banks Cincinnati Regional Book Festival in downtown Cincinnati.