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BOSTON BOOK FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES AUTHOR LINEUP FOR FOR 2013

(BOSTON-August 12, 2013) The fifth annual Boston Book Festival, presented in partnership with WBUR, will be held on Oct. 17—19, 2013, in various locations in Copley Square. The featured authors will represent a wide array of programming, and include award winners, best-selling authors, renowned scholars, children's writers, and writers of fiction, nonfiction, and poetry. This year's lineup was announced this evening at an event at Middlesex Lounge in Cambridge.

Presenters and hosts scheduled to appear at The Boston Book Festival 2013 include:

Alysia Abbott, Cheryl Alkon, Steve Almond, Alicia Anstead, Emily Anthes, Jason Anthony, Tom Ashbrook, Nicholson Baker, Mike Barnicle, Douglas Bauer, Deborah Becker, Homi Bhabha, Madeleine Blais, Michael Blanding, Lisa Borders, Jared Bowen, Robin Brenner, Amy Brill, Anthony Brooks, Don Brown, Carol Bundy, Ty Burr, Christopher Castellani, Meghna Chakrabarti, Vishaan Chakrabarti, Sam Wolfe Connelly, Caleb Crain, Wes Craven, Callie Crossley, Kevin Cullen, Anthony D'Aries, Tomie dePaola, Alan Dershowitz, Kate DiCamillo, Shelly Dickson Carr, Erin Dionne, Andre Dubus III, Kelly DuMar, Laurie Edwards, Juan Enriquez, Maya Escobar, Sorche Fairbank, Noah Feldman, Niall Ferguson, Thomas Fleming, Michèle Forbes, Margalit Fox, Amity Gaige, Leigh Gallagher, Jack Gantos, Moses Gates, Elissa Gershowitz, Nancy Gertner, Francesca Gino, Andrew Goldstein, Chris Grabenstein, Charles Graeber, Elizabeth Graver, Jack Gray, Shahla Haeri, Paul Harding, George Harrar, JoeAnn Hart, Michael Hawley, Lesley Hazleton, Harold Holzer, Daphne Kalotay, Carla Kaplan, Mary Louise Kelly, Joshua Kendall, Douglas Kennedy, Jessica Khoury, Joe Klein, Chuck Klosterman, Laura Koenig, Joseph Koerner, Barbara Krauthamer, Megan Lambert, Eve LaPlante, Kathryn Lasky, Ann Leary, J. Michael Lennon, Bill Littlefield, Lois Lowry, Lauren Macleod, Alexander Maksik, David Margolick, Megan Marshall, Wendy Mass, Ayana Mathis, Andrew McAfee, Dennis McFarland, Kim McLarin, Claire Messud, Marissa Meyer, Randy Susan Meyers, Leigh Montville, Abelardo Morell, Shahan Mufti, Gregory Nagy, Michael Norton, Bob Oakes, Mirta Ojito, Richard Olivier, Meghan O'Sullivan, Nicole Pasulka, Tom Perrotta, Sacha Pfeiffer, Henriette Lazaridis Power, Lissa Price, Jamie Quatro, Ladette Randolph, Rishi Reddi, James Robinson, Eileen Rockefeller, Eileen Rosenthal, Marc Rosenthal, Clifford Ross, Salman Rushdie, Russ Rymer, Najla Said, Nancy Jo Sales, Jason Schwartz, Laura Vaccaro Seeger, Bob Shea, Anna Staniszewski, Rebecca Stead, Heidi Stemple, Jessica Stern, Maggie Stiefvater, Glenn Stout, Rose Styron, J. Courtney Sullivan, Anthony K. Tjan, Anthony Townsend, Douglas Trevor, Dawn Tripp, Craig Venter, Lesley Visser, Mitchell Waters, Nancy Werlin, Maris Wicks, John Taylor (Ike) Williams, Valerie Plame Wilson, Brenda Wineapple, Monica Wood, Julie Wu, Jane Yolen, and Robin Young

More panelists may be added and the line-up is subject to change. In just five years, The Boston Book Festival has become one of the most anticipated events in the cultural life of the City. The Festival takes advantage of the great architectural treasures in Copley Square, utilizing such venues as Trinity Church, Old South Church, and the Boston Public Library, among others. A street fair in the square features exhibitors, children's activities, and live music throughout the day. Author bios are available at www.bostonbookfest.org. The complete program of events, including times, thematic groupings, and exact locations, will be announced soon.

The fifth annual Boston Book Festival will take place October 17 -19, 2013 in various Copley Square locations. Festival events will include presentations and panels featuring internationally-known writers, scholars, critics, and commentators; programming for children, teens, and families; writing workshops and competitions; outdoor booths; and poetry and music performances. Most events are FREE and open to the public. The Boston Book Festival is produced by the nonprofit organization of the same name, and is made possible with the generous support of individual donors and sponsors, including Presenting Partner 90.9 WBUR, Amazon, Boston Common Hotel, Chitika, Copley Square Hotel, Dunkin' Donuts, The Folio Society, Hachette Book Group, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, Massachusetts Cultural Council, Mass Humanities, Other Press, Plymouth Rock Assurance, the Revere Hotel, Simmons College, Target, and Zipcar. For more information, visit www.bostonbookfest.org.

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