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From our President



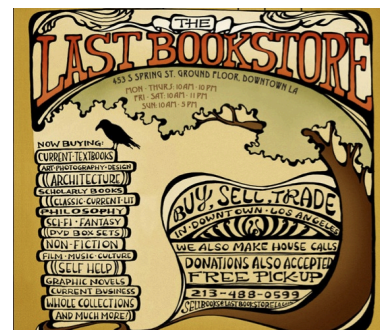
Dear Members,

After the soaring success of our WNBA READS ITS OWN event last Sunday, Sept 11 (see a review below), we're quickly approaching our next big venture: WNBA/LA's National Reading Group Month Celebration at the Last Bookstore in downtown Los Angeles. An initiative of the Women's National Book Association (WNBA), National Reading Group Month salutes reading groups and fosters the growth and love of literature through a calendar of nation-wide events in the month of October.

Please join us on Sunday, Oct. 16, 11- 2 pm
at The Last Bookstore for an eclectic author
panel to celebrate the joy of reading and to
engage in great conversations and an
interesting Q&A about the world of books.

Here's our exciting roster of participants:

- Diana Abu-Jaber, "*Birds of Paradise*" (W.W. Norton); a Great Group Reads 2011 Selection
- Avery Aames, "*Lost and Fondue*"



Local Sponsoring Members

Local sponsoring membership is available to any individual, local organization, or agency that desires to make an initial or additional annual contribution to the chapter.

Sponsoring Members:



[Kathleen Shoop](#)

Dates to Remember

Sept 18:

Study of Dreams with Barbara Shiffman

Oct. 2:

West Hollywood Book Fair

Oct. 16:

National Reading Group Month

Nov. 15:

Ellen Ruderman at The Oaks

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(Penguin/Berkley)

- Linda O. Johnston, "*The More the Terrier*" (Penguin/Berkley)
- Nina Revoyr, "*Wingshooters*" (Akashic Books); a Great Group Reads 2011 Selection
- Attica Locke, "*Black Water Rising*" (Harper)

Moderator: Julia Drake, WNBA/LA president

Where: The Last Bookstore

**453 Spring Street - Ground Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90013**

When: Sunday, October 16, 11-2 pm

(Light snacks and beverages will be served!)

A Note about The Last Bookstore: Praised in the LA Times, Huffington Post, LA Weekly and LAIST, The Last Bookstore is a flagship for all surviving independent bookstores in town and a sign that our local book culture is thriving. It is a MUST-SEE. www.lastbookstorela.com

Parking: Street parking (\$3/hr), or garage one street over (\$3/90 minutes) or \$4 parking on Spring street one block up.

Cheers,

Julia Drake, President

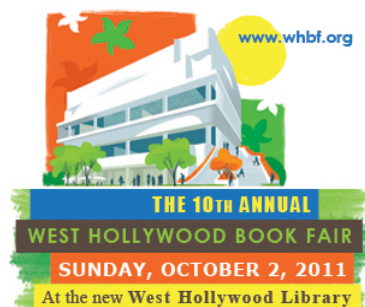
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Chapter News

JOIN WNBA/LA at the WEST HOLLYWOOD BOOK FAIR!

Our chapter will have a booth at the fair on Sunday, October 2nd, from 10:00 to 6:00 and we hope you will attend the fair, and check out our booth! [Click here](#) to see a cool video promoting the fair, and we hope to see you there.

10th Annual WEST HOLLYWOOD BOOK FAIR



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Sunday, October 2, 2011 - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
at NEW West Hollywood Library and West Hollywood Park
647 N. San Vicente Blvd. West Hollywood, CA
www.whbf.org

Promote yourself / Promote your book, class, etc.

There are time slots at our booth available--from 10-noon...or from 4-6. This is a free member benefit. WNBA/LA has a booth at the West Hollywood Book Fair, and you can have a 2-hour time slot to promote/showcase yourself, your book, your class, etc.

Contact Ruth Light at ruthlight3@gmail.com...or call me at 310-397-4503. About 25,000 people attend this fair every year, so let me know if you want to participate!

Long-time member, Lisa Catherine Cohen, with chapter president, Julia Drake, hosted an evening of WNBA/LA members presenting their own work. The audience was treated to poetry, personal empowerment, comedy, nineteenth century re-imaginings, conversations with God, young adult and adult fiction, memoir, and discussions about food. We were also treated to refreshments from our own caterer, Ellen Sherwood. Following are some pictures from the event, which was held at Mystic Journey Bookstore in Venice.



Member News

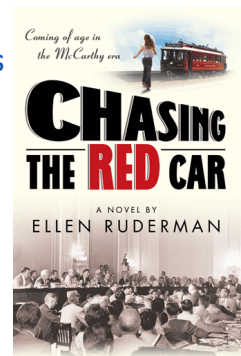


Since writing is often inspired by dreams, author/teacher Barbara Schiffman is moderating a panel for Beginning Dreamers on **Saturday 9/18 at the International Association for the Study of Dreams SoCal Regional Conference. Held from 9am-5pm at Marymount College (Rancho Palos Verdes, \$75/day inc. lunch)**, the all-day conference of workshops, panels and keynotes is designed for new dreamers, experienced dreamworkers and therapists alike. Barbara's panel

includes four expert dreamworkers and therapists offering tips and resources for getting started with dreams which can provide fertile material for writing!

Call Barbara for info at 818-415-3479 or visit <http://asdreams.org/2011LA> to register online.

WNBA member Ellen Ruderman is proud to announce that her recently published novel *Chasing the Red Car* has garnered great praise from reviewers and readers alike. She has held several well-attended readings & book signings at bookstores in the Los Angeles area. Her upcoming events include a speaking engagement at the prestigious Spa "The Oaks" in Ojai on November 15, 2011. To learn more about Ellen and her book, please visit Ellen's website: <http://www.ellenruderman.com>



Nationally Speaking

MEMBER BENEFITS...on a NATIONAL LEVEL

Do you know how to write a book proposal? Would you like some free advice? Go to our national Web site www.wnba-books.org and then click on MEMBERS ONLY at the top of the home page. Type in the username and password. When you are in the MEMBERS ONLY section go to Best Practices, and you will find "Assembling a Book Proposal".

Forgot your username and password?? Call Marla at 951-471-2526

Both the Los Angeles chapter Web site, and the national Web site are packed with information and member benefits. Check them out!!

www.wnba-books.org

www.wnba-books.org/la

UN Corner

This UN Corner originally appeared in the NY chapter's newsletter, the Bookwoman.



News From The United Nations

"Sustainable Societies, Responsive Citizens - Commit · Encourage · Volunteer"

Message From Bernwald Geir, Coordinator of the German NGO Focal Group

- Go to: <http://tinyurl.com/3dtu3js>

Provisional Schedule - Go to: <http://tinyurl.com/3fr3edz>

NGO Workshops- Go to: <http://tinyurl.com/3plchhu>

Events and Exhibits - Go to: <http://tinyurl.com/3ok9bga>

4Youth (young people, 18-24) - Go to: <http://tinyurl.com/3fjhjos>

During the three-day Conference, live and archived Webcasts of the opening and closing sessions and the Roundtable discussions will be available. Go to: <http://tinyurl.com/3plc2ge>



UN General Assembly To Celebrate 10th Anniversary Of The International Year Of The Volunteer - December 2011

Resources:

UN Volunteers (UNV)

<http://worldvolunteerweb.org/iyvplus10/>

Facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/unvolunteers>

Twitter: @volunteerplus10

YouTube:

<http://www.youtube.com/user/unv#p/u>

UNV: Intern for 10th anniversary of International Year of Volunteers (IYV+10) - Application deadline: 01 April 2012

<http://tinyurl.com/3etnlv4>

World Volunteer Web - Go to: <http://www.worldvolunteerweb.org>

IVY+10 (Australia)- Go to: <http://www.ivyplus10.com.au>

**22,000 CHILDREN DIE EVERY DAY FROM PREVENTABLE CAUSES.
WE BELIEVE THAT NUMBER SHOULD BE ZERO.**

Message from US Fund for UNICEF - Go to: <http://www.unicefusa.org>

"Working in over 150 countries, UNICEF provides children with health care, clean water, nutrition, education, protection, emergency relief, and more. The U.S. Fund for UNICEF supports UNICEF's work through fundraising, advocacy, and education in the United States. Despite extraordinary progress, 22,000 children still die each day from preventable causes. Our mission is to do whatever it takes to make that number zero by giving children the essentials for a safe and healthy childhood."

TeachUNICEF - Explore · Take Action - Go to: <http://teachunicef.org>

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YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/unicefusa>

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So that's it for September! Look for us in your inbox in mid-November, and remember...

"All that mankind has done, thought, gained or been: it is lying as in magic preservation in the pages of books." Thomas Carlyle