NATIONAL BOOK FESTIVAL: ONCE AGAIN, BOOK TV IS LIVE, IN-PERSON

22nd-Straight Year: Exclusive Non-Fiction Book Coverage on Book TV on C-SPAN2

(August 19, 2022) C-SPAN's Book TV has provided live, in-depth, uninterrupted coverage of the National Book Festival since it began. Now, after several years of virtual coverage because of the pandemic, Book TV is back in person, once again providing signature LIVE gavel-to-gavel coverage of the Festival's non-fiction authors.

“As we celebrate this year’s National Book Festival with the theme 'Books Bring Us Together,' the Library of Congress’ partnership with C-SPAN’s Book TV will bring together readers across the country, allowing them to enjoy our exciting lineup of authors. We’re proud to join with C-SPAN to extend the reach of the Library of Congress National Book Festival once again so that book lovers from coast to coast can experience this celebration of reading,” said Librarian of Congress Carla Hayden.

Among the guests and authors the nationwide Book TV audience will see and hear from on September 3, 2022, (9:30amET-5:30pmET):

- Librarian of Congress Carla Hayden
- David Maraniss, "Path Lit by Lightning: The Life of Jim Thorpe"
- Conversation on women leaders of the civil rights movement with authors Tomiko Brown-Nagin ("Civil Rights Queen: Constance Baker Motley") and Kate Clifford Larson ("Walk With Me: Fannie Lou Hamer"). Moderated by Neda Ulaby.
- Clint Smith, "How the Word is Passed: A Reckoning with the History of Slavery Across America"
- Conversation on creating community in America with authors Gal Beckerman ("The Quiet Before) and Kathryn Judge ("Direct"). Moderated by Sewell Chan.
- Conversation on conspiracies in America with authors Brendan McConville ("The Brethren") and Elizabeth Williamson ("Sandy Hook"). Moderated by Roswell Encina.
- Jack Davis, "The Bald Eagle: The Improbably Journey of America's Bird"
- Conversation on climate change with authors Juli Berwald ("Life on the Rocks") and Edith Widder ("Below the Edge of Darkness"). Moderated by Liz Neeley.
- Conversation on the modern essay in the age of speed with Morten Høi Jensen ("The Fiction That Dare Not Speak Its Name"), Shawn McCreesh ("The Hatboro Blues") and Becca Rothfeld ("Sanctimony Literature") .Moderated by Celeste Marcus.
- Will Bunch. "After the Ivory Tower Falls."

In partnership with the Library of Congress, C-SPAN has been part of the National Book Festival from the first one, September 8, 2001. Book TV's LIVE coverage has taken the C-SPAN2 audience to the Festival's various venues – U.S. Capitol grounds, a vast tent city on the National Mall (2002-2013), expo-style event in the Washington Convention Center (2014-2019), virtual (2020-2021), and now back to the Walter E. Washington Convention Center.

Wherever the National Book Festival goes, Book TV is there. Over the past 21 years, Book TV has featured hundreds of non-fiction authors and guests, including Laura Bush, David McCullough, Buzz Aldrin, Salman Rushdie, Carla Hayden, Julie & David Eisenhower, Kinky Friedman, David Rubenstein, Joyce Carol Oates, Colson Whitehead, Doris Kearns Goodwin, and Madeleine Albright, to name a few.

You can see all of Book TV's coverage of the National Book Festival over the decades via this dedicated C-SPAN Video Library subpage: https://www.c-span.org/liveEvent/?nationalbookfestival

Book TV doesn't limit itself to covering the National Book Festival. A partial list of other book festivals from around the country which Book TV covers includes: the
Miami Book Fair, the Mississippi Book Festival, the Tucson Book Festival, the Southern Festival of Books, the Wisconsin Book Festival, the Texas Book Festival, the Brooklyn Book Festival, and many more.

If non-fiction books are your thing, C-SPAN is your place.

**About Book TV:**
Book TV – Sundays on C-SPAN2 – is the only television service dedicated to nonfiction books. Book TV features programming on a rich variety of topics, such as history, biography, politics, current events, the media and more. Watch author interviews, readings and coverage of the nation's largest book fairs. Every Sunday on C-SPAN2 starting 8am ET or online anytime at booktv.org. Use that website as well to connect with Book TV via social media and email newsletter.

**About C-SPAN:**
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