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### **Fiction Powerhouses Featured at Chippewa Valley Book Festival**

This year's 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Chippewa Valley Book Festival will feature two fiction powerhouses: Brian Freeman (October 27) and Madeline Miller (October 29). Both events will be available virtually with Freeman's event also offering an in-person presentation at Pablo Center at the Confluence. Events are FREE and open to the public. Pre-registration is required.

The festival has always brought remarkable authors and stories to the Chippewa Valley and this year is no different. Both Freeman and Miller are *New York Times* bestselling and award-winning authors that offer stories of great energy, strength, and power. Don't miss your chance to hear from these incredible storytellers.

**Brian Freeman** writes psychological thrillers that draw you in and transport you somewhere completely different. *The Deep, Deep Snow* is an intense, emotional mystery that brings readers an unforgettable heroine who discovers that the dead may sometimes be easier to rescue than the living. It was a finalist for the Edgar Award for Best Paperback Original. Freeman has also been named by Putnam and the Robert Ludlum estate as the official author to continue Ludlum's famous Jason Bourne franchise. Booklist review said, "[Freeman's] two Bourne novels—and we hope there will be more—take a much-loved character and breathe new life into him, giving him new energy and a renewed purpose. Fans of Ludlum's iconic character will definitely want to read this."

**Madeline Miller** writes epic historical fiction with unforgettably vivid characters, mesmerizing language, and page-turning suspense. Miller's instant bestseller, *Circe*, has won numerous awards including Goodreads Choice, LibraryReads Favorites, and Indies Choice Best Adult Fiction of the Year. *Circe* is a triumph of storytelling, an intoxicating epic of family rivalry, palace intrigue, love and loss, as well as a celebration of indomitable female strength in a man's world. It was starred reviewed by Publishers Weekly, Kirkus, and Library Journal. Ann Patchett, the *New York Times* bestselling author, described *Circe* as "an epic spanning thousands of years that's also a keep-you-up-all-night page turner." It is currently being adapted for television series by HBO Max.

For full festival details and complete list of authors, visit <https://www.cvbookfest.org/2021-festival-events>. Author photos and book jackets can be sent upon request. Please reach out to [chippewavalleybookfestival@gmail.com](mailto:chippewavalleybookfestival@gmail.com) for all graphic inquiries.

*The Chippewa Valley Book Festival partners with the Pablo Center at the Confluence, and the University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire Foundation to provide literary programming for all Chippewa Valley residents.*

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