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20th Annual Chippewa Valley Book Festival Lineup Announced

Join the Chippewa Valley Book Festival in its 20th annual celebration of the written word from October 21-October 27, 2019. During these seven days, you will have an opportunity to select from twenty different events held throughout the Chippewa Valley. The majority of events are open to the public, require no ticket, and are FREE! The festival will once again feature award-winning authors, including Pulitzer Prize winner, Art Cullen (2017 Pulitzer Prize for editorial writing).

“The 20th Annual Chippewa Valley Book Festival is a literary spectacle for devoted book lovers from Western Wisconsin and beyond. The seven-day festival features 18 authors and over 20 events and offers a wide variety of topics to satisfy all interests.”

–Judy Dekan, Chippewa Valley Book Festival Co-Chair

Without further ado, the authors and books featured in the upcoming book festival are:

- Adam Regn Arvidson, *Wild and Rare: Tracking Endangered Species in the Upper Midwest*
- Kimberly Blaeser, *Copper Yearning*
- Kim Brooks, *Small Animals: Parenthood in the Age of Fear*
- Dorothy Chan, *Revenge of the Asian Woman*
- Art Cullen, *Storm Lake: A Chronicle of Change, Resilience, and Hope from a Heartland Newspaper*
- Beth Dooley, *In Winter’s Kitchen: Growing Roots and Breaking Bread in the Northern Heartland*
- Loretta Ellsworth, *Stars Over Clear Lake*
- Leif Enger, *Virgil Wander*
- John Hildebrand, *Long Way Round: Through the Heartland by River*
- B.J. Hollars, *Midwestern Strange: Hunting Monsters, Martians, and the Weird in Flyover Country*
- Anna Lee Huber, *Treacherous Is the Night*
- Kelly Jensen, *(Don’t) Call Me Crazy: 33 Voices Start the Conversation about Mental Health*
- Rebecca Makkai, *The Great Believers*
- Mindy Mejia, *Leave No Trace*
- Neel Patel, *If You See Me, Don’t Say Hi*
- Carolyn Porter, *Marcel’s Letters: A Font and the Search for One Man’s Fate*
- Margaret Rozga, *Pestiferous Questions: A Life in Poems*

The Chippewa Valley Book Festival is a part of the literary arm of the Pablo Center at the Confluence, and works collaboratively with the University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire Foundation to provide literary programming for all Chippewa Valley residents.

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