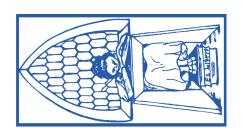


Wednesday Morning November 8, 2023

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AUTHORS ON STAGE

Wednesday, November 8, 2023 Coffee 9:30 a.m. Program 10:30 a.m. Lulu Chow Wang Campus Center at Wellesley College

Carl Safina

ALFIE & ME: What Owls Know, What Humans Believe



A lyrical account of raising, then freeing, an orphaned screech owl, whose lasting bond of trust even after her release has a profound impact on the author. Safina's relationship with the owl inspired him to better understand how people have viewed humanity's relationship with nature across cultures and throughout history. This "fervent homage to a dynamic, interdependent universe" (Kirkus, starred review) is "a book of great wisdom and beauty" (Sy Montgomery). Carl Safina, winner of a MacArthur Fellowship prize among many awards, has published extensively on the natural world. He lives on Long Island, New York.

DIGGING STARS:

A Novel

Novuyo Rosa Tshuma



Blending drama and satire while examining a young astronomer's coming of age amidst the complexities of colonialism, racism, and what it means to be American, Digging Stars probes the emotional universes of love, friendship, family, and nationhood. "Pulsing with energy and mystery" (Ayana Mathis) this "excellent... smart, incisive novel" (New York Times) is filled with luminous prose. Raised in Zimbabwe and South Africa, Novuyo Rosa Tshuma has received international honors for her writing. She currently lives in Boston, where she is a professor of fiction at Emerson College.

Virginia Pye

THE LITERARY UNDOING OF VICTORIA SWANN



Set in the Gilded Age, this story of a successful author of romance novels who decides to find her true voice as a writer rather than feed her publisher's expectations (and profits) is a book lover's delight. Victoria Swann emerges as a champion of women's rights as she simultaneously takes on the literary establishment and upends her own life. "By turns hilarious and scathing in its cultural critique, this meticulously researched novel exposes the unseen and sometimes unsavory underbelly of Boston society and literary publishing". (Kerri Maher) Virginia Pye is the author of three prior novels. She lives in Cambridge.

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