

5th Annual Sonoma Valley Authors Festival Announces World-Class Lineup of Authors

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[/EINPresswire.com/](https://www.einpresswire.com/) -- The 2022 [Sonoma Valley Authors Festival \(SVAF\)](#) announces this year's lineup of world-class [authors and speakers](#) for the annual event. Now in its fifth year, the lauded and intimate festival takes place once again at the beautiful and serene Fairmont Sonoma Mission Inn & Spa, August 26-28, 2022.

Founded in 2018, the Sonoma Valley Authors Festival is a 3-day wine country weekend like no other. This "vacation with a purpose" is a highly-curated and exclusive event, limited to 400 guests who are committed to lifelong learning. Offering a unique opportunity to hear some of the most important authors and speakers of our time, the Festival engages listeners eager for thoughtful conversations and discussions of ideas.

"We want Festival attendees to feel not only informed but transformed," say Festival founders Ginny and David Freeman. "These exceptional authors and remarkable thought leaders are truly changing the world. Coming together means we can all be a part of these incredibly important conversations."



The 4th Annual Festival was held at its new venue, the Fairmont Sonoma Mission Inn, August 27-29, 2021. Featuring the Pavilion for main tent presentations, white tablecloth service for breakfast and lunch served on the lawn, and a beautiful indoor-outdoor



Sonoma Valley Authors Festival logo with 2022 dates.

With a mission to “stimulate the Minds and Nurture the Souls of Readers,” attendees will enjoy a series of “Ted talk” style events and breakout sessions where today’s greatest writers and thinkers discuss their books and breakthroughs in science, technology and medicine. Filled with insightful and thoughtful opportunities to connect, the 2022 Sonoma Valley Authors Festival is a powerful and unique experience.

Festival attendees will hear the story behind their stories from world-class authors, with the opportunity to meet in a comfortable and personal setting.

Exploring a variety of literary genres and advances being made in science, technology and medicine, this year’s festival features 20+ authors, speakers and moderators including Amor Towles, Tracy K. Smith, Erik Larson, Bill Browder, Mary Roach, Desmond Shum, Manoush Zomorodi, Dave Barry, Jeffrey Brown and more.

As part of the festival, SVAF hosts free special events for the Sonoma community. This year’s family-friendly Authors on the Plaza will be held Saturday, August 27, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Under the trees on the historic Sonoma Plaza in the city center, 2022 features introductions by humorist Dave Barry, followed by New York Times best-selling fiction author, Amor Towles, talking about his newest book, *The Lincoln Highway*, and Mary Roach, a non-fiction writer of science-based topics with a generous helping of humor added. She will discuss her most recent book, *Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law* about the conflicts between wildlife and humans. Reader’s Books is the onsite bookseller.

The 5th Annual Students Day engages young scholars with a celebration of community, literacy. Featuring a dozen authors and speakers including Tracey K. Smith, the former U.S. Poet Laureate, Mary Roach, Dr. David Eagleman, Manoush Zomorodi, Alex Filippenko and more, they speak and interact with over 2,700 students at Sonoma Valley High School. Each year an average of 4,000 books, written by the presenting authors, are given free to the students, all paid for with private donations. Due to campus safety protocols, Students Day is not open to the public.

Sonoma Valley Authors Festival passes are available now at svauthorsfest.org/attend. The 3-day VIP Festival Passes start at \$2,750 and include all presentations, breakfasts and lunches, plus an exclusive dinner with the authors, preferred seating, and access to year-round events. All VIP



2021 Sonoma Valley Authors Festival speaker, Amy Tan signs books and meets attendees.

passes include a tax-deductible donation. See all pass level options.

This year there are also a limited number of 3-day VIP Sponsorship Festival Passes available for \$1,250. These passes include all presentations, breakfasts and lunches. These limited 3-Day Festival Passes go on sale June 15.

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About Sonoma Valley Authors Festival

The Sonoma Valley Authors Festival (SVAF) was founded by husband and wife team David and Ginny Freeman, who began developing the event after retiring to Sonoma County in 2016. The inaugural SVAF event was held May 4-6, 2018, in honor of their mothers who were lifelong readers and learners. The Sonoma Valley Authors Festival is made possible only through the generous support of individual donors, corporation sponsors and volunteers. The Festival has no employees, with Co-Founders Ginny and David Freeman donating their time, making a personal financial commitment, and drawing no salary.

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