

William Bernhardt Brings “The Superman Wars” to The DPA PRE AWARDS Lounge 2026

Bestselling author joins Black Château and Books That Make You at the event taking place prior to the Emmys, September 12–13 at Luxe Sunset Boulevard Hotel.

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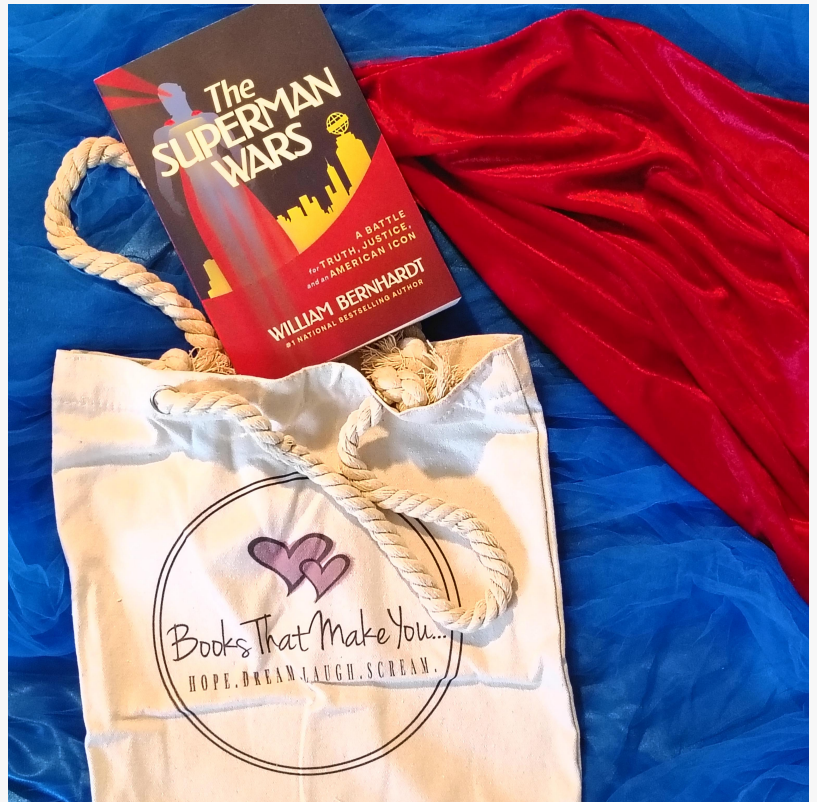
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Oklahoma City, OK — Bestselling and award-winning author William Bernhardt will appear at The DPA PRE AWARDS Lounge 2026, In honor of the Primetime Emmys 2026, on September 12 and 13, 2026, at the Luxe Sunset Boulevard Hotel in Los Angeles.

Bernhardt will join Black Château and Books That Make You to share his

acclaimed nonfiction book, “The Superman Wars: A Battle for Truth, Justice, and an American Icon,” with VIP guests during one of Hollywood’s most celebrated weekends.



DPA Pre-Emmy's 2026

Hosted by DPA Founder Nathalie Dubois, The DPA PRE AWARDS Lounge 2026 welcomes entertainment industry guests, media, influencers, and tastemakers in advance of the Emmy Awards. Known for its carefully curated gifting experiences, DPA brings together distinctive brands, creators, and personalities in an elegant Hollywood setting.

Black Château and Books That Make You will feature Bernhardt and “The Superman Wars” as part of their participation in the lounge, introducing guests to the compelling true story behind one of the most enduring characters in American popular culture.

“The Superman Wars: A Battle for Truth, Justice, and an American Icon” explores the legal,

historical, and deeply human story behind Superman's creation and the decades-long struggle over ownership, creative rights, and legacy. Bernhardt, a former lawyer, examines the experiences of Superman creators Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster, whose work helped launch an industry while leaving them financially and creatively vulnerable.

For generations, Superman has represented hope, morality, justice, and idealism. Bernhardt's book looks beyond the familiar mythology to reveal the complicated story surrounding the character's origins and the creator-rights battles that followed.

"Most people think they know the backstory of Superman. They don't," says Bernhardt.

Blending legal insight with historical research and narrative storytelling, Bernhardt explains complex copyright disputes in an accessible way while exploring questions that remain highly relevant to writers, artists, filmmakers, and other creators today. The book considers what happens when creative work becomes enormously valuable, who ultimately controls that work, and how the entertainment industry continues to wrestle with the balance between art and commerce.

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The subject is especially fitting for an event that brings together storytellers and members of the entertainment community. From publishing and comics to film and television, the issues at the heart of "The Superman Wars" continue to resonate across creative industries.

Nathalie Dubois, Founder of DPA and creator of the DPA Gifting Suites, says, "We love introducing our guests to books and authors who bring something unexpected and



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meaningful to the experience. William Bernhardt's exploration of Superman, creativity, justice, and ownership connects naturally with the entertainment community. We are delighted to welcome Black Château, Books That Make You, and William to The DPA PRE AWARDS Lounge 2026."

Desireé Duffy, Founder of Black Château Enterprises, Books That Make You, and The BookFest Adventure®, says, "DPA creates extraordinary

experiences where entertainment, creativity, and culture come together. William Bernhardt and 'The Superman Wars' are an ideal fit for this Talent Lounge because the book goes straight to the heart of issues storytellers care about: who creates our cultural icons, who owns those stories, and what fairness looks like when art becomes part of popular culture. We're thrilled to share William and his book with DPA's guests."

Bernhardt is the award-winning author of more than sixty books, including the bestselling Ben Kincaid novels and the Daniel Pike legal thriller series. His background as a lawyer gives him a distinctive perspective on the complicated legal history behind Superman, while his decades of experience as a novelist allow him to bring the story to life with the pacing and accessibility of a compelling narrative.

He is also the founder of WriterCon and president of Bernhardt Books, where he continues to mentor and support writers. Bernhardt has won the Oklahoma Book Award three times and has received twenty nominations across four categories. Oklahoma State University has hailed him as "Oklahoma's Renaissance Man."

"The Superman Wars" also places Superman's creation in the social and historical context of the late 1930s, when economic hardship and global uncertainty helped create an audience eager for a hero defined by strength, moral clarity, and hope. Bernhardt connects that history to modern questions about intellectual property, creator protections, and the responsibilities of companies that profit from creative work.

Black Château and Books That Make You have a longstanding history of participating in DPA gifting events surrounding major entertainment awards and festivals. Their appearances bring books and authors into spaces where publishing, film, television, media, and celebrity culture intersect, creating opportunities for stories to reach new and influential audiences.

"The Superman Wars: A Battle for Truth, Justice, and an American Icon" was released April 28, 2026, and is available through Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and other major online retailers.



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About William Bernhardt

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About DPA Group

Dubois Pelin & Associates, known as DPA Group, is an entertainment strategy company that has been producing VIP gifting events for more than 20 years. Known as a leader in the industry, DPA offers gifting suites tied to entertainment awards, film festivals, and other high-profile occasions. Past attendees of DPA Gifting Lounges include Paula Abdul, Angela Bassett, Mary J. Blige, Adrien Brody, Colin Firth, Morgan Freeman, Richard Gere, Wyclef Jean, Queen Latifah, Eva Longoria, Mandy Moore, Sharon Stone, Charlize Theron, Vanessa Williams, and many more. To see a more complete list, success stories, and more, [visit the DPA website](#).

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