

## COVID Guideline Update

Safety is the top priority of the CDC and vaccination is the safest way to help build protection. Maximize protection by getting all recommended vaccines and boosters as soon as possible.

Per current California guidelines, CSUF visitors are not required to wear masks or provide proof of vaccination. **However, the CDC strongly encourages unvaccinated individuals to continue wearing a mask when indoors.** In addition, the CDC recommends high-risk individuals continue to wear a mask during medium community levels of COVID-19 and for all individuals during high community levels.

On day of the event, if you feel ill or have any health concerns, consider taking a home Covid test and if positive, please do not attend.

**Maximum capacity of event has been scaled back to 400 to enhance safety and distancing accommodations.**

## Notice of Recording

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Assistance League®  
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Saturday, April 22, 2023

**PLEASE NOTE:  
Reservations are limited.**

**To assure your  
reservation, register early  
by mail or on our  
online site.  
adayofauthors.com**

Once again this year we expect a sold-out event. Please submit your reservation as soon as possible. If all reservations are filled before we receive your reservation form, your check will be returned to you.

**This is a  
Non-refundable Event**

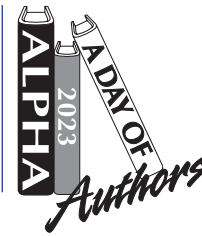
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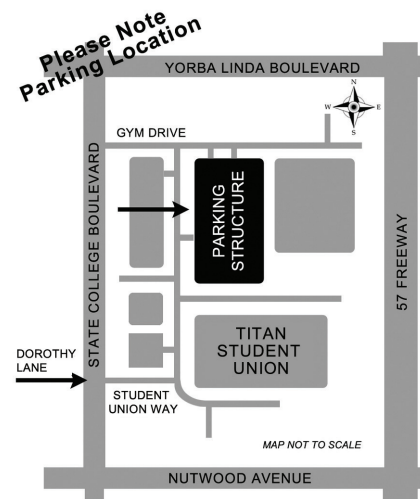


## Directions & Map



### Titan Student Union California State University, Fullerton

Enter the campus off State College Boulevard at Student Union Way (closer to Nutwood Avenue) or Gym Drive (closer to Yorba Linda Boulevard). If entering on Student Union Way, make an immediate left on W. Campus Drive and follow to entrance of State College Parking Structure on the right side. If entering on Gym Drive, continue past W. Campus Drive to entrance of State College Parking Structure on the right side.



### FREE PARKING

In the State College parking structure off Student Union Way and Gym Drive, north of the Titan Student Center

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# ALPHA 2023

## Assistance League® Professional Humanitarian Auxiliary – Fullerton Thirtieth Annual A Day of Authors - Saturday, April 22, 2023 Titan Student Union, California State University, Fullerton

### Welcome

#### 8:15–9:15am Registration

Enjoy a continental breakfast while purchasing books, Basket Raffle and Opportunity tickets as well as perusing the Silent Auction items available.

#### 9:15–9:30am Welcome & Introductions Vicki McCarthy, ALPHA Chair

### 2023 Authors

#### 9:35–10:20am A Conversation with Gregg Hurwitz

**Gregg Hurwitz**, *New York Times* best-selling author, is a prolific writer of 23 bestselling thrillers. Included on this list are titles from his ORPHAN X series, featuring protagonist Evan Smoak, as well as his first two young adult award-winning thrillers, *The Rains* and *Last Chance*. Eighth in the Orphan series is *The Last Orphan*. Hurwitz also publishes academic articles on Shakespeare and poetry, is a bestselling comic book writer, having penned stories for AWA, Marvel, and DC, has taught creative writing at USC, and has been a guest lecturer at UCLA and Harvard.

#### 10:25–11:05am First Breakout Session

#### Corban Addison

**Corban Addison**, international bestselling author of *The Tears of Dark Water*, which won the inaugural Wilbur Smith Adventure Writing Prize, has degrees in engineering and law. Addison began his professional writing career by authoring five novels highlighting social justice concerns. His first novel, *A Walk Across the Sun*, plunges readers into the world of the international sex trade. His first nonfiction book, *Wastelands*, pits heroic local individuals from North Carolina against a large-scale, polluting hog operation destroying the community and environment. Written like an engaging legal thriller, readers follow how justice prevails over power.

#### Eleanor Brown

**Eleanor Brown** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Weird Sisters* and *The Light of Paris*. Her latest, *Any Other Family* is an engaging book that explores the definition of family. Three sets of parents find themselves intertwined after adopting four biological siblings and committing to keep the children as connected as possible. Set across the span of a family vacation, *Any Other Family* is a thought-provoking and poignant look at how families shift and evolve and a portrait of motherhood in all its forms.

#### Chris Erskine

**Chris Erskine**, nationally known humor columnist, has been chronicling life in Los Angeles for 30+ years. While writing for the *LA Times*, he covered sports, travel, and entertainment. Perhaps best known for his columns exploring family life, he swings from the absurd to the ordinary to the heartbreaking. He is the author of four books of essays: *Surviving Suburbia*, *Man of the House*, *Daditude*, and *Lavender in Your Lemonade*. *Daditude* is a collection of his favorite Times columns on fatherhood. In *Lavender*, he tackles daily life under the restraints of a worldwide pandemic.

#### Naomi Hirahara

**Naomi Hirahara** is an Edgar Award winning author of multiple mystery series. *Eternal Lei* is the latest book in her Leilani Santiago Hawaii mystery. Her Mas Arai series, published in Japanese, Korean, and French, feature an LA gardener and Hiroshima survivor who solves crimes. Another entertaining series features Ellie Rush, a Japanese-American rookie LAPD bicycle cop. *Clark and Division*, her first historical mystery and a *New York Times* Best Mystery Novel of 2021 follows a Japanese American family's move from Manzanar to Chicago in 1944.

#### Michelle Gable

*New York Times* bestselling author, **Michelle Gable** developed an early interest in writing when her parents gave her a book titled *Someday You'll Write*. After a career in finance, Gable decided to try to get published. Her first novel, *A Paris Apartment*, was a success. *The Lipstick Bureau* was inspired by a real-life female spy who questioned convention to help win a war, no matter the cost. Gable writes, "Though certain world events have thrown a wrench into touring, I love to meet readers and would be thrilled to see you there!"

#### Salina Yoon

**Salina Yoon** is a Geisel Honor winning author, illustrator, and designer of novelty books for young children, specializing in unique interactive formats. Her beloved character Penguin has been giving love for ten years! The New Edition is the perfect gift for Penguin fans new and old. When Penguin finds Penelope, a lost baby elephant, he stays with her. As they look for a way home, Penelope and their friendship grows. They soon learn what they have in common—they both can *fly*—and their new perspective brings Penelope home.

#### 11:05–11:35am Book Sales & Author Signings

#### 11:35–12:15pm Second Breakout Session

#### 12:15–12:45pm Book Sales & Author Signings

#### 12:45–1:30pm Lunch

#### 1:15–2:10pm

#### Breakout Author Panel Moderated by Karen Blackley

Corban Addison	Eleanor Brown
Chris Erskine	Michelle Gable
Naomi Hirahara	Salina Yoon

#### 2:10–2:30pm

#### Basket Raffle, Silent Auction Results, & Opportunity Ticket Drawings

#### 2:30–3:00pm

#### Book Sales & Author Signings

*Final schedule is subject to change.*

### Reservation Form

Please duplicate this form for additional registrations (only one registration per form). You may include multiple forms and check/s in one envelope. A postmark is required on the envelope for registration—no hand deliveries can be accepted. You may also register online at [adayofauthors.com](http://adayofauthors.com). Opportunity tickets, name badges, and programs will be held at the event for pick up.

Print Name as you wish it to appear on your name badge

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Check box if any personal information is new

#### Preferences for the Breakout Sessions:

Please indicate your choices for TWO AUTHOR SESSIONS by numbering the list below from 1–6 with 1 as your FIRST CHOICE. Note: If your choices are filled and you have not specified alternate options, we will place you where an opening occurs.

#### Breakout Sessions

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corban Addison | <input type="checkbox"/> Eleanor Brown  | <input type="checkbox"/> Chris Erskine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Michelle Gable | <input type="checkbox"/> Naomi Hirahara | <input type="checkbox"/> Salina Yoon   |

Enclosed is my check for \$100, which includes continental breakfast, lunch, and parking. (\$22 of the fee goes toward the ALPHA philanthropic projects.)

I would like to pre-purchase my Opportunity Tickets. (1 ticket for \$10, 3 tickets (or multiples thereof) for \$20.

Enclosed is my additional contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for ALPHA philanthropies. (We welcome contributions of any amount and list donors in our program.)

Check this box if using a Sponsor Ticket

All contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowable by law.  
Federal Tax I.D. 95-6054959

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to be seated with: \_\_\_\_\_

Please clip this form and mail it with your check,  
payable to ALPHA. Mail to:

Jan Kennedy, 5365 Via Morena, Yorba Linda, CA 92886

Your invitation is sent at the request of: \_\_\_\_\_

For confirmation of your registration,  
include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.