21ST ANNUAL EVENING WITH AN AUTHOR



featuring
New York Times Bestselling Author

KELLY CORRIGAN & GEORGE SWEETLAND

Friday, June 6, 2025 6pm Otis Library 261 Main Street Norwich, CT











AUTHOR KELLY CORRIGAN

Kelly Corrigan has been called "the voice of her generation" by O: The Oprah Magazine and "the poet laureate of the ordinary" by HuffPost. She is the author of the New York Times bestsellers Tell Me More, The Middle Place, Lift, and Glitter and Glue. Between books, she hosts a podcast, Kelly Corrigan Wonders, featuring intimate conversations with high IQ/EQ types about well-being, purpose, and impact. Marianne the Maker, a collaboration with Kelly's daughter, Claire, is her second book for children.







ABOUT OUR EVENT ABOUT OUR LIBRARY

Evening with an Author celebrates the work of a prominent author and the impact of Otis Library in eastern Connecticut. The event, held at the Library, is known for its unique silent auction, delicious dinner stations, and intimate and engaging keynote presentation.

Your attendance at this event supports our focus on connection and wellness! Research shows that those with meaningful connections tend to live longer and lead more fulfilling lives. We are committed to helping everyone find rewarding connections through our services, resources, and programs. Together, we are addressing the loneliness epidemic and fostering opportunities to bring a friend or make a friend while experiencing all that Otis has to offer.

This event typically hosts 180+ guests. The attendance profile consists of community leaders, corporate leaders, civic leaders, donors, partners and patrons. More than half of the guests attend as part of a corporate sponsorship. Event promotion is centered on digital platforms including Facebook and Instagram with boosted posts. Our newsletter and eblast platform is Constant Contact and we connect with more than 6,600 community emails. Event income is generated through sponsorships, tickets, and silent auction sales. This year's fundraising goal is \$60,000.



PAST AUTHORS

2024 Steve Gonsalves
2023 Marcia Chatelain
2022 Patricia Walsh
Chadwick
2021 Lidia Bastianich
2020 (Covid)
2019 Pam Jenoff
2018 John R. Bohrer
2017 Kaitlyn Greenidge
2016 Elizabeth Brundage
2015 B.A. Shapiro

2014 William Mann
2013 Nathaniel Philbrick
2012 Cornelia Guest
2011 Sebastian Junger
2010 Sarah Strohmeyer
2009 Beverly Gage
2008 Wally Lamb
2007 Jonathan Mahler
2006 Thomas Fleming
2005 Dominick Dunne
2004 Wally Lamb



ABOUT THE BOOK

Marianne's days are filled with schedules, structure and soccer. There's just one problem: Marianne is a maker. She needs every minute of her weekends to scheme and dream, to draw and design, to build and rebuild! This is a story of how a creator with a crackerjack imagination finds a not-so-great way to skip soccer practice and create her masterpiece. But will her dad understand? Told in delightful rhyme that bounces across George Sweetland's gorgeous collage-style illustrations (chock-full of hidden gems), Marianne the Maker is sure to kindle the creative spark that lives inside all of us.

AUTHOR CLAIRE CORRIGAN LICHTY

Claire Corrigan Lichty Claire is in her last year at the University of Virginia where she is an Echols scholar and probably the school's only double major in Computers Science and Drama. Making is her life – computer programs, stand-up routines, screenplays, code, songs, algorithms, pizzas...

During her last semester, she will be interning at a machine learning company as well as a Hollywood production studio.

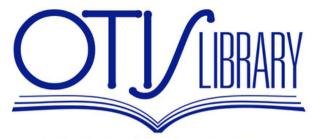
ILLUSTRATOR GEORGE SWEETLAND

George Sweetland is an illustrator, an elementary school teacher, a boy dad twice over and a world-class maker. "I want illustrations that are strategically connected with the text to create impactful humor and, most importantly, to build a love for reading," says George.

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Number of guests	15	10	8	4	2	2	
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Author Meet and Greet	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
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Logo on Library social media channels	\checkmark	√	√	V	\$750		
Partnership introduced at Event	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\$1,500			
Reserved seating and VIP parking	√	√	\$3,000				
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Named Silent Auction Partner Press exclusivity and	V	√					
opportunity to bring greetings at the event	V	V		keynote address, and a signed copy of Marianne the Maker . All proceeds benefit Otis Library			
Exclusive StoryWalk Partner with logo displayed for 12 months on StoryWalk signage	√	\$5,000					
throughout Mohegan Park and on all StoryWalk publicity	\$8,000						

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