## 2019 Washington Writers Conference Schedule of Events

### Friday, May 10, 2019

**Reception / Cash Bar**

"How to Pitch an Agent: Three Agents Discuss the Do's and Don'ts of Pitching"  
**Moderator:** Laura Hazan

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| 8:00-8:45am *Know Your Rights as an Author*  
Speaker: Lauren Menikes | 8:45-9:00am Welcome  
Speakers: Audrey A. Bastian, Conference Chair  
Salley Shannon, President, Washington Independent Review of Books  
Judi Ashman, Mayor of Gaithersburg | 9:10-10:00 am "An Agent, An Editor, and a Publisher: Publishing's Holy Trinity"  
Moderator: Tara Campbell  
Andrew Grifford, publisher  
Bl Robbins, agent  
Evelyn M. Duffy, editor | 9:10-10:00 am "Romance: You Gotta Have Heart"  
Moderator: Delancey Stewart  
Mindy Kissky  
Eliza Knight | 9:10-10:00 am "Public Relations"  
Moderator: Karen James Cody  
Sponsor | 9:10-10:00 am "One-on-One"  
5 min Sessions  
Holly Smith  
Editor | | |
| 10:10-11:00 am "Hidden Histories"  
(Nonfiction)  
Moderator: David O. Stewart  
Eugene L. Meyer, author  
Paula Whitacre, author  
Patricia Pearson, author  
George Derek Musgrove, author | 10:30-11:00 am "How Do You Know If You're Writing YA?"  
Moderator: Caroline Bock  
Kosoko Jackson, author  
Laura Scalzo, author  
Meg Kuyatt, author  
Susan Kawh, literary agent  
Ally Enright, book buyer | 10:10-11:00am "One-On-One"  
Sponsor  
Katherine Pickett  
Editor | 10:10-11:00am "Choosing the Right Editor for You"  
Round Table Discussion  
Allyson Machate, Editor | 10:10-11:00am "One-On-One"  
5 minute sessions  
Katherine Pickett  
Editor | | |
| 11:10-12:00 noon Jane Leavy in Conversation with Christine Brennan  
Introduced by David O. Stewart | 11:10-12:00 noon "Historical Fiction: Making It Real"  
Moderator: Jenny Yacovissi  
Eugenia Kim, author  
Zach Powers, author  
Stephanie Dray, author | 11:10-12noon "One-On-One"  
Sponsor  
Katherine Pickett  
Editor | 11:10-12noon "Getting the Most Out of Your Beta Readers and Manuscript Assessments"  
Round Table Discussion  
Katherine Pickett, Editor | | |
| 12:00 noon Lunch Buffet (provided) | 12:20-1:45 pm Lifetime Achievement Award Presented to Eugene L. Meyer, Introduction by David O. Stewart | | | | |
| 12:20-12:45 pm Keynote Address by Jeffery Deaver  
Presented by Andrew A. Bastian | 12:50-1:30 pm "D.C. Debuts"  
Moderator: Sharon Lee  
Carrie Callaghan, author  
Alice Stephens, author  
Julie Langsdorf, author | 12:50-1:30 pm "Violence in Fiction"  
(Mystery/Noir/Thriller)  
Moderator: E.A. Aymar  
Christina Kovac, author  
Aliki Babar, author  
S.A. Cosby, author  
Jeffery Deaver, author | 12:50-1:30 pm "Go with a Pro: Writing with an Editor to Up Your Writing Game"  
Roundtable Discussion  
Christina Frey, Editor | 12:50-1:30 pm "One-On-One"  
Sponsor  
Katherine Pickett  
Editor | | |
| 1:30-1:50 Speed Pitching  
4:00-5:00 pm  
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| 1:30-1:50 "Keys to Editing Your Own Work"  
Carrie Callaghan, author  
Pinto Dunn, author  
Holly Smith, Editor | 3:00-3:20 pm "Writing Coach"  
Round Table Discussion  
Laura DiFranco  
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| Cash Bar / Book Signings / Giveaways  
Hosts: E.A. Aymar and Tara Laskowski | | | | | |