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Get to know local writers at Tulsa City-County Library's fourth annual local author conference

TULSA, Okla. --- Join Tulsa City-County Library (TCCL) for its fourth annual Local Author Conference on Saturday, Dec. 9 from 9 a.m.-noon at Central Library, 400 Civic Center.

Adults and teens are invited to a morning of engaging sessions on topics related to writing and publishing, including characterization, editing and more. Coffee and bagels will be provided. At noon, the conference will conclude with a Local Author Book Fair. Session leaders include Kelly Stone Gamble and Emily Dial-Driver, and a keynote address will be delivered by author J.C. Hallman.

Published authors interested in selling their books during the event can fill out a quick and easy application, available at www.tulsalibrary.org/localauthorconference.

Hallman is an American author, essayist and researcher. His work has been widely published in Harper's, GQ, The Baffler, Tin House magazine, The New Republic and elsewhere. He is the author of the nonfiction works "Say Anarcha," "B & Me," "Wm & H'ry," "In Utopia," "The Devil is a Gentleman" and "The Chess Artist," as well as the short story collection "The Hospital for Bad Poets."

Gamble is currently a faculty member at Southeastern Oklahoma State University, where she shares her passion for literature, the humanities and writing with aspiring minds. She is the author of the USA Today bestsellers "They Call Me Crazy," "Call Me Daddy" and "Call Me Cass." Her most recent release, "Ragtown," is a historical fiction

novel set during the building of the Hoover Dam. Her work has appeared in a variety of publications, including Red Earth Review, Tower Journal, Family Digest and Chicken Soup for the Soul, among others, and has won awards from Pacific Northwest Writers Association, WritersWeekly.com, Women on Writing and the Ground Zero Literary Project.

Dial-Driver is professor of English at Rogers State University (RSU). She has authored textbooks and edited articles and periodicals, such as RSU's Cooweescoowee: A Journal of Arts and Letters. Books she has co-edited include "Voices from the Heartland," "The Truth of Buffy," "Fantasy Media in the Classroom" and "Children's and YA Books in the College Classroom."

For questions, contact Central Library Adult Services at cas@tulsalibrary.org or call the AskUs helpline at 918-549-7323.

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