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By JAMES D. WATTS JR. World Scene Writer | 0 comments

Mystery, romance and some hard facts of life will be on the menu for the annual "Chapters: A Casual Evening of Books, Bites and Bards," benefiting the Tulsa City-County Library and the Tulsa Library Trust.

Three acclaimed writers will be the guests of honor at this year's event, as they discuss their writings in a casual atmosphere, complemented by fine food and wine from local establishments.

Alton Carter, a former police officer who now serves as the director of youth ministries for the First United Methodist Church of Stillwater, won the 2016 Oklahoma Book Award for his first book, "The Boy Who Carried Bricks."

The book recounts Carter's growing up in around the Stillwater area, and the physical, emotional and societal abuse he and his four siblings endured, and Carter's determination to rise above his situation.

Michigan novelist Rosanne Bittner has written more than 60 books, most of them romances set in the American West in the 1800s. Her works include "Wildest Dreams," "Do Not Forsake Me," "Outlaw Hearts" and "Thunder on the Plains."

Alison Gaylin's debut book, "Hide Your Eyes," was nominated for an Edgar award in the best first novel category. Her critically acclaimed suspense novels have been published internationally, and she earned the Shamus Award for "And She Was," the first book in the Brenna Spector series. Her latest work, "What Remains of Me," is a standalone thriller set in Hollywood.

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**Tickets:** \$50. Deadline for reservations is Sept. 1.

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