



## TEXAS TEEN BOOK FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES 2017 LINEUP

*Young Adult Book Festival Will Feature Award-Winning Authors Francisco X. Stork, E. Lockhart, Adam Silvera, and More*

**AUSTIN, TEXAS (July 27, 2017)** – The Texas Teen Book Festival announced today their 2017 lineup, featuring *New York Times* bestselling authors **E. Lockhart**, **Francisco X. Stork**, **Adam Silvera**, **Stephanie Perkins**, **Zac Brewer**, and more. The 2017 Festival will take place on Saturday, October 7 at St. Edward's University. TTBF is in its ninth year and remains free and open to the public.

"From high fantasy to high tech to high drama, TTBF's Class of '17 offers a little something for everyone," says Meghan Goel, TTBF Programming Director. "With 38 featured authors, terrific programming partners like We Need Diverse Books, and a brand-new interactive space, this is shaping up to be our best Festival yet. See you there!"

This year's lineup will feature a wide array of notable and award-winning authors. Among others, *New York Times* bestselling author Adam Silvera will present his book *They Both Die at the End*, and **E. Lockhart** will discuss her latest psychological suspense novel, *Genuine Fraud*, which tells the story of a young woman whose diabolical smarts are her ticket into a charmed life.

**Francisco X. Stork**, author of *Marcelo in the Real World* and winner of the Schneider Family Book Award for Teens, will join the lineup to discuss his new fiction work, *Disappeared*. TTBF will also showcase international bestselling author **Stephanie Perkins** and her novel *There's Someone Inside Your House*, as well as bestselling author of The Slayer Chronicles **Zac Brewer** and his latest novel, *Madness*.

YA-genre enthusiasts will be able to enjoy sessions and panels throughout the one-day Festival, including a panel presented by Fierce Reads, the Young Adult initiative launched by Macmillan Children's Publishing Group. The Fierce Reads panel will feature authors **Mitali Perkins**, **Caleb Roehrig**, **Anna-Marie McLemore**, and **Jennifer Mathieu**.

TTBF authors will join previously announced keynote speakers **Mayim Bialik**, actress, neuroscientist, and author of *Girling Up: How to Be Strong, Smart and Spectacular*, and **Marie**

**Lu**, author of the #1 *New York Times* bestselling series *The Young Elites* and the blockbuster bestselling *Legend* series. At TTBF, Marie will present her latest work, *Warcross*. Author **Jason Reynolds** will be the closing keynote speaker. Reynolds will launch his narrative verse novel, *Long Way Down*, at the 2017 Festival.

The full lineup of authors and their featured books for the 2017 Texas Teen Book Festival is as follows:

- Marie Lu (*Warcross*)
- Mayim Bialik (*Girling Up*)
- Jason Reynolds (*Long Way Down*)
- Adam Silvera (*They Both Die at the End*)
- Adi Alsaid (*North of Happy*)
- Aditi Khorana (*Library of Fates*)
- Amy Tintera (*Avenged*)
- Andrew Shvarts (*Royal Bastards*)
- Anna-Marie McLemore (*Wild Beauty*)
- Ashley Poston (*Geekerella*)
- Caleb Roehrig (*Last Seen Leaving*)
- Cindy Pon (*Want*)
- Cory Putman Oakes (*Witchtown*)
- Corrie Wang (*The Takedown*)
- David Bowles (*Feathered Serpent, Dark Heart of Sky*— Barrio Writers Sponsorship)
- Diana Noble (*Evangelina Takes Flight*)
- E. Lockhart (*Genuine Fraud*)
- Erin Bowman (*Retribution Rails*)
- Francisco X. Stork (*Disappeared*)
- Jenna Evans Welch (*Love & Luck*)
- Jennifer Mathieu (*Moxie*)
- Jessica Taylor (*A Map for Wrecked Girls*)
- Julie Buxbaum (*What to Say Next*)
- Julie Murphy (*Ramona Blue*)
- Kathryn Ormsbee (*Tash Hearts Tolstoy*)
- Kerri Maniscalco (*Hunting Prince Dracula*)
- Lisa Maxwell (*The Last Magician*)
- Lizzie Velásquez (*Dare to Be Kind*)
- Mackenzi Lee (*Gentleman's Guide to Vice & Virtue*)
- Mitali Perkins (*You Bring the Distant Near*)

- Peter Bognanni (*Things I'm Seeing Without You*)
- Renée Watson (*Piecing Me Together*)
- Ryan Graudin (*Invictus*)
- Sandhya Menon (*When Dimple Met Rishi*)
- S.J. Kincaid (*The Empress*)
- Stephanie Perkins (*There's Someone Inside Your House*)
- Tillie Walden (*Spinning*)
- Zac Brewer (*Madness*)

A program of the Texas Book Festival, the TTBF is presented in collaboration with BookPeople, a dedicated team of librarians, and venue sponsor St. Edward's University. The program is made possible in part by a grant from Humanities Texas, the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The 2016 TTBF boasted more than 4,000 attendees and an all-star lineup representing the best in literature for teens with more than 25 celebrated authors including *New York Times* Best Selling authors Sabaa Tahir, A.J. Hartley, Ally Carter, Leigh Bardugo, and celebrity author, actress, and comedian Mindy Kaling.

The one-day TTBF will take place on October 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. at St. Edward's University, 3001 South Congress Avenue. TTBF remains free and open to the public thanks to generous donors, sponsors, and dozens of committed volunteers. For more information, please visit [www.texasteenbookfestival.org](http://www.texasteenbookfestival.org) and keep up with announcements at [Facebook.com/TexasTeenBookFestival](https://www.facebook.com/TexasTeenBookFestival), and on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/TXTeenBookFest) and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/TXTeenBookFest) @TXTeenBookFest.

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### **ABOUT THE TEXAS TEEN BOOK FESTIVAL**

The Texas Teen Book Festival is a one-day event that celebrates the teen reading experience by inviting fans to visit with some of the most popular and critically acclaimed young adult authors in the country. The Texas Teen Book Festival was born as the Austin Teen Book Festival in 2009, when librarian Heather Schubert partnered with BookPeople to organize a gathering at Westlake High School. Five hundred guests and sixteen authors attended the first year and the event grew every year thereafter. From 2011-2013, the Festival was sponsored by the Austin Public Library Friends Foundation, and in 2014, the Festival became a program of Texas Book Festival and was renamed the Texas Teen Book Festival. One of the largest gatherings of its kind anywhere, the annual TTBF takes place in the fall on the campus of St. Edward's University. For more information, visit [www.texasteenbookfestival.org](http://www.texasteenbookfestival.org)