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Please contact me to RSVP for our Penguin Random House Author Dinner, Cocktail Reception, and Author Lunches at the February 2018 FYE Conference in San Antonio.

**Author Dinner: Saturday, February 10th, 7:30 pm**
featuring
Paul Hawken, editor of *Drawdown* (page 5)
Omar El Akkad, author of *American War*
Imbolo Imbue, author of *Behold the Dreamers*
Lauren Markham, author of *The Far Away Brothers*

**Author Lunch: Sunday, February 11th, 12:30 pm**
featuring
Francisco Cantú, author of *The Line Becomes a River* (page 9)
Franklin Foer, author of *World Without Mind* (page 4)
Yaa Gyasi, author of *Homegoing*

**Cocktails & Conversation: Sunday, February 11th, 6:00 pm**

**Author Lunch: Monday, February 12th, 11:45 am**
featuring
Karan Mahajan, author of *The Association of Small Bombs* (page 12)
Joe Tone, author of *Bones*
In this inspiring tribute to rewarding work and the American pursuit of happiness, StoryCorps founder Dave Isay presents unforgettable stories from people doing what they love. Some found their paths at very young ages, others later in life; some overcame great odds or upturned their lives in order to pursue what matters to them.

We meet a man from the barrios of Texas whose harrowing experiences in a family of migrant farmers inspired him to become a public defender. We meet a longtime waitress who takes pride in making regulars and newcomers alike feel at home in her Nashville diner. We meet a young man on the South Side of Chicago who became a teacher in order to help at-risk teenagers like the ones who killed his father get on the right track. We meet a woman from Little Rock who helps former inmates gain the skills and confidence they need to rejoin the workforce.

“Every one of the stories in this inspiring collection reveals the deep love that motivates the storytellers as they discover and embrace their vocations....These wonderful stories reveal that work becomes meaningful to those who choose—or are in some cases chosen by—the calling that motivates, energizes, and inspires them.”—Publishers Weekly

“Callings will inspire readers at every stage of their careers to view work with a new appreciation for the possibilities it holds beyond the mundane.”—Booklist

“Thoughtfully organized and edited, each story is a reminder of the essential role work plays in the pursuit of human happiness. Inspiring, insightful, and thoroughly readable.”—Kirkus

Also by Dave Isay

TIES THAT BIND
Stories of Love and Gratitude from the First Ten Years of StoryCorps

Ties That Bind honors the people who nourish and strengthen us. Between blood relations, friends, coworkers, and neighbors, in the most trying circumstances and in the unlikeliest of places, enduring connections are formed and lives are forever changed. “As good as we humans are at division, we’re better still at connection. Ties That Bind shows this again and again.”—The New York Times

LISTENING IS AN ACT OF LOVE
A Celebration of American Life from the StoryCorps Project

“StoryCorps asks Americans to reflect upon their experiences, their times of travail, their achievements. In so doing, these individuals create an encompassing national narration: a people’s hopes, fears and aspirations, all rendered poignantly to attentive listeners.”—Robert Coles, Harvard University. Reader’s Guide included.
Franklin Foer
**WORLD WITHOUT MIND**
The Existential Threat of Big Tech

Elegantly tracing the intellectual history of computer science—from Descartes and the enlightenment to Alan Turing to Stuart Brand and the hippie origins of today’s Silicon Valley—Foer exposes the dark underpinnings of our most idealistic dreams for technology. The corporate ambitions of Google, Facebook, Apple, and Amazon, he argues, are trampling longstanding liberal values, especially intellectual property and privacy. By reclaiming our private authority over how we intellectually engage with the world, we have the power to stem the tide.

“An argument in the spirit of those brave democracy protestors who stand alone before tanks. Franklin Foer asks us to unplug and think….His book is a vital response to digital utopianism at a time when we desperately need new ethics for social media.”—Steve Coll, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Ghost Wars* and *Private Empire*

Jon Ronson
**SO YOU’VE BEEN PUBLICLY SHAMED**

For three years Jon Ronson, author of *The Psychopath Test*, traveled the world meeting people whose mistakes or lapses in judgment were met with a firestorm of collective outrage enabled by social media—often with profound consequences on their lives. In *So You’ve Been Publicly Shamed*, he explores their stories and delivers an incisive critique of modern-day shaming as a form of social control and as a war on human nature and its flaws.

“A work of original, inspired journalism, it considers the complex dynamics between those who shame and those who are shamed, both of whom can become the focus of social media’s grotesque, disproportionate judgments.”—Financial Times

“Gutsy and smart. Without losing any of the clever agility that makes his books so winning, [Ronson] has taken on truly consequential material and risen to the challenge….Fascinating.”—The New York Times

“Ronson manages to be at once academic and entertaining.”—The Boston Globe

Adam Alter
**IRRESISTIBLE**
The Rise of Addictive Technology and the Business of Keeping Us Hooked

Alter, a professor of psychology and marketing at NYU, tracks the rise of behavioral addiction and explains why so many of today’s products are impossible to resist.

“One of the most mesmerizing and important books I’ve read in quite some time. Alter brilliantly illuminates the new obsessions that are controlling our lives and offers the tools we need to rescue our businesses, our families, and our sanity.”—Adam Grant, The Wharton School, author of *Originals* and *Give and Take*

“Alter has written a truly addictive book about the rise of addiction. Irresistible is a fascinating and much needed exploration of one of the most troubling phenomena of modern times.”—Malcolm Gladwell
Paul Hawken, editor

**DRAWDOWN**
The Most Comprehensive Plan Ever Proposed to Reverse Global Warming
Foreword by Tom Steyer

The 100 most substantive solutions to reverse global warming, based on meticulous research by leading scientists and policymakers around the world

In the face of widespread fear and apathy, an international coalition of researchers, professionals, and scientists have come together to offer a set of realistic and bold solutions to climate change.

One hundred techniques and practices are described here—some are well known; some you may have never heard of. They range from clean energy to educating girls in lower-income countries to land use practices that pull carbon out of the air. The solutions exist, are economically viable, and communities throughout the world are currently enacting them with skill and determination. If deployed collectively on a global scale over the next thirty years, they represent a credible path forward, not just to slow the earth’s warming but to reach drawdown, that point in time when greenhouse gases in the atmosphere peak and begin to decline.

These measures promise cascading benefits to human health, security, prosperity, and well-being—giving us every reason to see this planetary crisis as an opportunity to create a just and livable world.

“This is the ideal environmental sciences textbook—only it is too interesting and inspiring to be called a textbook.”—Peter Kareiva, UCLA

“At this point in time, the Drawdown book is exactly what is needed; a credible, conservative solution-by-solution narrative that we can do it. Reading it is an effective inoculation against the widespread perception of doom that humanity cannot and will not solve the climate crisis. Reported by-effects include increased determination and a sense of grounded hope.”—Per Espen Stoknes, author of *What We Think About When We Try Not To Think About Global Warming*

“So brilliant....A showstopper.”
—Donald A. Falk, University of Arizona

“Drawdown is a magnificent achievement.”
—Greg Watson, Schumacher Center for New Economics

“The book’s release couldn’t possibly come at a better time. Refreshingly absent of political analysis, it’s grounded in scientific reality and will likely go a long way toward inciting people to action.”
—The Portland Tribune

“I am blown away by *Drawdown*. Like hearing an advance copy of Sergeant Pepper, back in the day.”
—John Elkington, CEO Volans, author and world authority on sustainable development

“*[Drawdown]* will give you the best kind of hope, the kind that balances realism with radical vision.....Stabilizing the climate system will require a heroic global effort, but the point here is only to show that...such an effort can do more than merely succeed; that it can succeed well, and open into futures that we can actually bear to contemplate.”
—Tom Athanasiou, *The Nation*
Ken Ilgunas

**TRESPASSING ACROSS AMERICA**
One Man’s Epic, Never-Done-Before (and Sort of Illegal) Hike Across the Heartland

Told with sincerity, humor, and wit, *Trespassing Across America* is both a fascinating account of one man’s remarkable journey along the proposed Keystone XL pipeline route and a meditation on climate change, the beauty of the natural world, and the extremes to which we can push ourselves—both physically and mentally.

Ken Ilgunas strapped on his backpack, stuck out his thumb on the interstate just north of Denver, and hitchhiked 1,500 miles to the Alberta tar sands. Once there, he turned around and began his 1,700-mile trek to the pipeline’s endpoint on the Gulf Coast of Texas, a journey he would complete entirely on foot, walking almost exclusively across private property.

Both a travel memoir and a reflection on climate change, *Trespassing Across America* is filled with colorful characters, harrowing physical trials, and strange encounters with the weather, terrain, and animals of America’s plains. Ultimately, it is a call to embrace the belief that a life lived not half wild is a life only half lived.

“A timely and riveting book...written by a courageous young man struggling with the chaos he is inheriting from his elders....The book mirrors its young author: impulsive, tenacious, reflective and, amazingly, cautious....A welcome message of resistance and hope.”—*The Huffington Post*

“You could argue that a cross-country pipeline is itself a trespass—through watersheds, communities, lives—so moments when various authorities challenge Ilgunas’s route work as tiny cosmic jokes. But this is not a heavy book. *Trespassing Across America* is a delight. In the end, walking across the country turns out not to be about you, but about the country and all the land and people that make it one.”—Robert Sullivan, author of *Rats* and *The Thoreau You Don’t Know*

Will Allen

**THE GOOD FOOD REVOLUTION**
Growing Healthy Food, People, and Communities

The son of a sharecropper, Will Allen had no intention of ever becoming a farmer himself. But after years in professional basketball and as an executive for Kentucky Fried Chicken and Procter & Gamble, Allen cashed in his retirement fund for a two-acre plot a half mile away from Milwaukee’s largest public housing project.

“Allen gives readers the personal, moving account of a man whose family became part of the last century’s great migration of African Americans out of the South.”—*Los Angeles Times*
Yeonmi Park with Maryanne Vollers  
**IN ORDER TO LIVE**  
A North Korean Girl’s Journey to Freedom  

Yeonmi Park, the daughter of civil servants in North Korea, led a relatively privileged life until her father, a party member, was arrested for smuggling. After that, life became a ceaseless battle against starvation. When she finally escaped with her mother, she didn’t even know what it meant to be free. All she knew was that she was running for her life, that if she and her family stayed behind they would die—from starvation, or disease, or even execution. Park’s memoir is about the resilience of the human spirit and the transcendent power of love to overcome the most ghastly horrors and the most hopeless circumstances.

Selected by: Florida International University; Oakland Community College; Texas A&M International University
Steven Johnson

**WONDERLAND**

How Play Made the Modern World

Johnson applies his long-zoom approach to the history of popular entertainment, contending that the pursuit of novelty and wonder is a powerful driver of world-shaping technological change. He locates throughout history the cutting edge of innovation wherever people are working the hardest to keep themselves and others amused.

Johnson’s storytelling is just as delightful as the inventions he describes, full of surprising stops along the journey from simple concepts to complex modern systems. He introduces us to the colorful innovators of leisure: the explorers, proprietors, showmen, and artists who changed the trajectory of history with their luxurious wares, exotic meals, taverns, gambling tables, and magic shows.

“Johnson’s writing derives its appeal from his ability to illuminate complex ideas in unpretentious language...Wonderland is original and fun.”—*The San Francisco Chronicle*

“A rare gem...Our illogical, enduring fascination with play remains one of life’s great mysteries. That is precisely what makes the subject so fascinating, and Wonderland such a compelling read.”—*The Washington Post*

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Steven Johnson

**HOW WE GOT TO NOW**

Six Innovations that Made the Modern World

Johnson explores the history of innovation over centuries, tracing facets of modern life from their creation by hobbyists, amateurs, and entrepreneurs to their unintended historical consequences.

“You’re apt to find yourself exhilarated...Johnson is not composing an etiology of particular inventions, but doing something broader and more imaginative....I particularly like the cultural observations Johnson draws along the way....[He] has a deft and persuasive touch....[A] graceful and compelling book.”—*The New York Times Book Review*

“The reader of How We Got to Now cannot fail to be impressed by human ingenuity, including Johnson’s, in determining these often labyrinthine but staggeringly powerful developments of one thing to the next.”—*San Francisco Chronicle*

“What makes this book such a mind-expanding read is Johnson’s ability to appreciate human advancement as a vast network of influence, rather than a simple chain of one invention leading to another, and the result is nothing less than a celebration of the human mind.”—*The Daily Beast*

Garrard Conley
**BOY ERASED**
A Memoir of Identity, Faith, and Family

As a nineteen-year-old college student, Garrard Conley, the son of a Baptist pastor, was outed to his parents and forced to make a life-changing decision: either agree to attend a church-supported conversion therapy program that promised to “cure” him of homosexuality; or risk losing family, friends, and the God he had prayed to every day of his life. Even when faced with a harrowing and brutal journey, Conley found the strength and understanding to break out in search of his true self and forgiveness.

“The power of Conley’s story resides not only in the vividly depicted grotesqueries of the therapy system, but in his lyrical writing about sexuality and love, and his reflections on the Southern family and culture that shaped him.”
—Los Angeles Times

“This brave and bracing memoir is an urgent reminder that America remains a place where queer people have to fight for their lives. It’s also a generous portrait of a family in which the myths of prejudice give way before the reality of love. Equal parts sympathy and rage, *Boy Erased* is a necessary, beautiful book.”—Garth Greenwell, author of *What Belongs to You*

Francisco Cantú
**THE LINE BECOMES A RIVER**
A former Border Patrol agent’s haunting experience of an unnatural divide and the lives caught on either side, struggling to cross or to defend it.

For Francisco Cantú, the border is in the blood. His mother, a second-generation Mexican American, raised him in Arizona’s desert scrublands and the national parks where she worked as a ranger, driven to protect the places she loved. Haunted by the landscape of his youth, Cantú joins the Border Patrol. Stationed at the remote crossroads of a drug route and a smuggling corridor, he learns how to track other humans under the punishing glare of the sun and through dark, frigid nights. He detains the exhausted, the parched, huddled children yearning for their families. He hauls in the bodies from where they have fallen.

Plagued by nightmares, Cantú abandons the Patrol for civilian life. But when a friend, a regular at the café where he now works, travels back to Mexico to visit his dying mother and does not return, Cantú discovers that the border and its stories have migrated with him.

“In a courageous endeavor to comprehend the complex issues that characterize America’s border with Mexico, Francisco Cantú joined the US Border Patrol. His story, and intelligent and humane perspective, should mortify anyone who ever thought building a wall might improve our lot. His words are emotionally true and his literary sensibility uplifting. The bilingual Mr. Cantú advocates here for clarity and compassion in place of xenophobia and uninformed rhetoric.”
—Barry Lopez
**Zadie Smith**

**SWING TIME**

Two brown girls dream of being dancers—but only one, Tracey, has talent. The other, Aimee, has ideas. It’s a complicated childhood friendship that ends abruptly in their early twenties, never to be revisited, but never quite forgotten. Tracey makes it to the chorus line but struggles with adult life, while Aimee leaves the old neighborhood behind, traveling the world as an assistant to a famous singer, observing close up how the one percent live and developing grand philanthropic ambitions.

“Smith’s most affecting novel in a decade, one that brings a piercing focus to her favorite theme: the struggle to weave disparate threads of experience into a coherent story of a self.”—*The New Yorker*

“This is a story at once intimate and global, as much about childhood friendship as international aid, as fascinated by the fate of an unemployed single mother as it is by the omnipotence of a world-class singer...Smith’s attention to the grace notes of friendship is as precise as ever.”—*The Washington Post*

*Finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award for Fiction*
Celeste Ng

**LITTLE FIRES EVERYWHERE**

When Mia Warren, an enigmatic artist and single mother, arrives in the placid, progressive town of Shaker Heights with her teenaged daughter, Pearl, and rents a house from Elena Richardson and her husband, they quickly become more than just tenants. All four Richardson children are drawn to the mother-daughter pair. But Mia carries with her a mysterious past and a disregard for the status quo that threatens to unend this carefully ordered community.

When old family friends of the Richardsons attempt to adopt a Chinese-American baby, a custody battle erupts that divides the town—and puts Mia and Elena on opposing sides. Suspicious of Mia’s motives, Elena is determined to uncover the secrets in Mia’s past. But her obsession will come at unexpected and devastating costs.

“With brilliance and beauty, Celeste Ng dissects a microcosm of American society just when we need to see it beneath the microscope.... Be ready to be wowed by Ng’s writing—and unsettled by the mirror held up to one’s own beliefs.” —Jodi Picoult, author of *Small Great Things* and *Leaving Time*

“The way [Ng] examines the complexity of place, and the people who inhabit that place, is some of the most virtuosic, compelling, and wise storytelling that I’ve seen in a long time.” —Kevin Wilson, author of *The Family Fang*

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When Lydia Lee, the 16-year-old daughter of a Chinese-American family living in 1970s small-town Ohio is found dead, the delicate balancing act that has kept the Lees together is destroyed, tumbling them into chaos. A profoundly moving story of family, secrets, and longing, *Everything I Never Told You* is both a gripping page-turner and a sensitive family portrait, exploring cultural divisions and complex relationships.

“If we know this story, we haven’t seen it yet in American fiction, not until now.... A deep, heartfelt portrait of a family struggling with its place in history, and a young woman hoping to be the fulfillment of that struggle.” —The New York Times Book Review

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Alexandra Fuller

QUIET UNTIL THE THAW

Two Native American cousins, Rick Overlooking Horse and You Choose Watson, though bound by blood and by land, find themselves at odds as they grapple with the implications of their shared heritage. When escalating anger toward the injustices, historical and current, inflicted upon the Lakota people by the federal government leads to tribal divisions and infighting, the cousins go in separate directions: Rick chooses the path of peace; You Choose, violence.

A complex tale that spans generations and geography, Quiet Until the Thaw conjures the implications of an oppressed history, how we are bound not just to immediate family but to all who have come before and will come after us, and, most of all, to the notion that everything was always, and is always, connected.
Natalie C. Anderson

**CITY OF SAINTS AND THIEVES**

After fleeing the Congo, Tina and her mother arrive in Kenya looking to build a new life. Her mother finds work as a maid for the prominent Greyhill family. But Tina soon learns that the family’s fortune was made from corruption, so when her mother is found dead in Mr. Greyhill’s study, she knows who’s behind it. She spends the next four years on the streets, working for a local gang, before making her way back to the estate to exact vengeance. “A twisty-turny-chock-full-of-secrets, so exciting-you-have-to-force-yourself-to-take-breaks-and-breathe kind of novel....[Tina’s] emotional journey feels compelling and true.”—The New York Times.

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Seventeen-year-old Thomas McNulty, who fled the Great Famine in Ireland, signs up for the U.S. Army in the 1850s. With his brother in arms, Thomas goes on to fight in the Indian Wars—against the Sioux and the Yurok—and, ultimately, the Civil War. Orphans of terrible hardships themselves, the men find these days to be vivid and alive, despite the horrors they see and are complicit in. “A haunting archeology of youth....Barry introduces a narrator who speaks with an intoxicating blend of wit and wide-eyed awe, his unsettlingly lovely prose unspooling with an immigrant’s peculiar lilt and a proud boy’s humor.”—The New York Times Book Review.

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