



TEXAS BOOK FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES TICKETED SESSIONS WITH MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM, ROXANE GAY AND STACEY ABRAMS

WHAT: Texas Book Festival is excited to announce ticketed author sessions with **Michael Cunningham**, **Roxane Gay** and **Stacey Abrams** for this year's Festival Weekend. Tickets are available now and can be purchased online for \$36 each plus fees.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, Pulitzer Prize-winning author **Michael Cunningham** will present his most recent title, "Day: A Novel", a story on love, loss and the struggles and limitations of family life. Cunningham's other novels include "The Hours", "A Home at the End of the World", "Flesh and Blood", "Specimen Days", "By Nightfall" and "The Snow Queen", as well as the collection "A Wild Swan and Other Tales" and the nonfiction book "Land's End: A Walk in Provincetown". The event begins at 4:15 p.m. and will take place at the Central Presbyterian Church (200 E. Eighth St.).

On Sunday, Nov. 12, **Roxane Gay**, a contributing opinion writer for The New York Times and the author of bestselling books such as "Bad Feminist", "Difficult Women", "Hunger: A Memoir of My Body" and Marvel's "World of Wakanda", will be presenting her latest book, "Opinions: A Decade of Arguments, Criticism, and Minding Other People's Business". "Opinions" features Roxane Gay's top nonfiction pieces from the last decade, covering diverse topics like politics, feminism, culture wars, civil rights and more. The ticketed session will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will take place at Stateside at the Paramount (719 Congress Ave.).

Also on Sunday, Nov. 12, see former Georgia House of Representatives Minority Leader and New York Times bestselling author **Stacey Abrams**, as she discusses her recent fiction book, "Rogue Justice", a thriller in which a blackmailed federal judge, a secret court and a brazen murder may lead to an unprecedented national crisis. The ticketed session will take place at First Baptist Church (901 Trinity St.) and begin at 2:30 p.m.

The three sessions will be reserved for ticket holders only. Tickets for each session include one copy of the author's book, session admission and access to the book-signing line after each session.

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MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM TICKETS:

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