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November 5–20, 2023

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# Welcome to the 2023 JCC Lane Dworkin Authors + Innovators Festival!

The new name for our former **JCC Book Festival** reflects the evolution of a festival that has been increasingly centered on programs that are interactive, community focused, and inclusive. The name also reflects a shift from “books” to the people that create those books and lead audiences and readers to insight, empathy, and inspiration. Adding the term “innovators” allows us to expand the pool of speakers and events with community and business leaders like Rochester native and former Las Vegas Raiders President Marc Badain and filmmaker Joe Nussbaum, and include visual arts like the area premiere of the *Humans of Israel* portrait exhibit.

The 2023 roster includes names known by fans of fiction to fans of film. Our guests come from around the corner and around the globe and include new writers alongside internationally acclaimed bestselling authors like Allegra Goodman and Mitch Albom.

Whether you call us the “Book Fair,” “Book Festival,” or the “Authors + Innovators Festival,” the core mission is the same: To highlight Jewish stories and Jewish artists that stimulate dynamic and provocative dialogue.

Join us and **be inspired.**



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## FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

Sunday Nov. 5	Monday Nov. 6	Tuesday Nov. 7	Wednesday Nov. 8	Thursday Nov. 9	Friday Nov. 10	Saturday Nov. 11
<b>Community Book Swap</b> 10am  <b>Thanksgiving Creation Stations</b> 1pm	<b>Allegra Goodman Pre-Event</b> 5:30pm  <b>Allegra Goodman Talk</b> 7pm	<b>Faris Cassell</b> 10am  <b>Marc Badain</b> 7pm	<b>Jennifer Lang Workshop</b> 12pm	<b>Four Winters</b> film screening 2pm	<b>Fiction Panel Lunch with Weina Dai Randel, Jai Chakrabarti, and Lauren Grodstein</b> 12pm	
Sunday Nov. 12	Monday Nov. 13	Tuesday Nov. 14	Wednesday Nov. 15	Thursday Nov. 16	Friday Nov. 17	Saturday Nov. 18
<b>Little Free Library Build</b> 12pm	<b>Oren Kessler and Dr. Ayala Emmett</b> 7pm	<b>Erez Kaganovitz</b> 7pm	<b>Joe Nussbaum</b> 7pm	<b>Simone Veil</b> film screening 2pm	<b>Ben Nadler</b> 12pm	
Sunday Nov. 19	Monday Nov. 20	<b>The Festival Bookstore</b> (Auditorium A) is open November 5–20, 1 hour before and after all scheduled festival events at the JCC.				
<b>Jessica Nordell</b> 7pm	<b>Mitch Albom</b> 7pm (Brighton HS)	<b>The Humans of Israel exhibit</b> (Auditorium A) is on display throughout November and December.				

# FESTIVAL SUPPORTERS

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can be found at [rjbf.org](http://rjbf.org).

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Special thanks to all the JCC staff  
and volunteers who continue to  
make our events possible!

# COMMUNITY BOOK SWAP

Sunday, November 5, 10am–1pm  
JCC Auditorium C  
Free and open to the public

**FOR KIDS AND ADULTS!**

Trade your gently used books for something new! Meet other readers and get recommendations. Three genres: **Kids' books**, **mystery fiction** and **science fiction**.

Don't have books to swap? Come shop! Paperbacks are \$1 and hardbacks are \$2.  
*No general fiction books please.*



## THANKSGIVING CREATION STATIONS

Sunday, November 5, 1–3pm  
JCC Auditorium C  
Free and open to the public

**EDIBLE TREATS, CRAFTS AND MORE!**

Crafts 1–2pm; Cooking demos/prep 2–3pm

Special Family Event, presented in partnership with **PJ Library** and **PJ Our Way**.

Free, no registration required!  
Suggested for families with children 5–12 years old

Hands-on cooking prep for Thanksgiving.  
Make-and-take a variety of special snacks and fun holiday arts/crafts activities that can be used to decorate your Thanksgiving table.

Questions? Contact Biffy Borg at [bborg@jewishrochester.org](mailto:bborg@jewishrochester.org) or 585.461.2000 x1012.

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## PRE-EVENT DISCUSSION

Monday, November 6, 5:30–6:30pm

Lipson Lounge

Free, advance registration required.

Capacity: 25

**Athene Goldstein will lead a book discussion** of Allegra Goodman's work (with a focus on her latest title, **Sam**).

**Athene** is a Bar/Bat/B'Nai Mitzvah tutor in the Rochester area. She has been leading adult classes in literature and Torah chant for many years.



## AUTHOR TALK

Monday, November 6, 7pm

Hart Theater

JCC Member: \$12, Non-Member \$15

"**Sam** is about as perfect of a coming-of-age story as I have ever read."  
—Jenna Bush Hager

"**Sam** is a deeply wise and empathetic portrait of this unforgettable girl, making her way into this tricky world and into the reader's life."

—Amy Bloom, *New York Times* bestselling author of **In Love**

"This deft novel is filled with the exquisite pleasures one expects from Allegra Goodman, richly layered and emotionally resonant. I absolutely devoured it."

—Geraldine Brooks, author of **People of the Book** (review of **The Chalk Artist**)

Enjoy a special presentation with *New York Times* bestselling author **Allegra Goodman**. Goodman is the author of six novels: **Sam**, **The Chalk Artist**, **The Cookbook Collector**, **Paradise Park**, **Intuition**, and **Kaaterskill Falls**; two collections of short stories: **The Family Markowitz** and **Total Immersion**; the Young Adult novel: **The Other Side of the Island**, and the non-fiction title, **Speaking of Writing**.

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# FARIS CASSELL

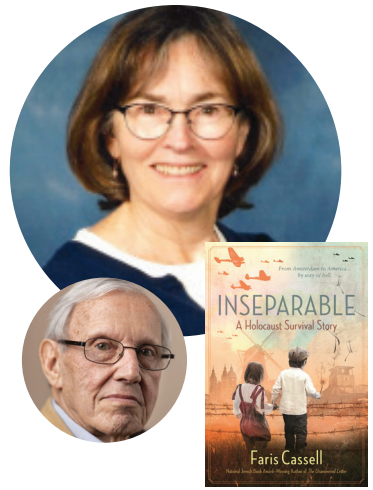
Tuesday, November 7, 10am  
Hart Theater  
JCC Member: \$12, Non-Member \$15

Don't miss this unique, riveting discussion with **Faris Cassell**, author of the remarkable real-life story, *Inseparable: A Holocaust Survival Story*. Cassell will be joined by **Steven Hess** (one of the twins who is the subject of the book, and who is known locally for his presentations as a Holocaust Survivor). Cassell's previous title, *The Unanswered Letter*, won the 2020 National Jewish Book Award in the Holocaust category.

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# MARC BADAIN

Tuesday, November 7, 7pm  
Hart Theater  
JCC Member: \$12, Non-Member \$15

Entrepreneur and **Brand at Work** CEO **Gregg Lederman** will lead a discussion with **Marc Badain**, **President of Oak View Group's Las Vegas sports & entertainment venue and former President of the NFL's Las Vegas Raiders**. Badain oversaw the entirety of the club's business operations including the relocation from Oakland to Las Vegas and the successful completion of Allegiant Stadium.

A native of Rochester, NY, Badain earned his bachelor's degree in economics from Emory University and received his MBA from the University of California's Walter A. Haas School of Business in 2001. Badain is a member of the Board of Directors of the Biletnikoff Foundation, University of Nevada Sports Management Executive Board, Las Vegas Bowl Committee, Gridiron Greats, and Opportunity Village.



# JENNIFER LANG

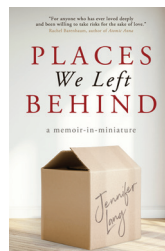
Wednesday, November 8, 12-1:30pm  
Lipson Lounge  
JCC Member: \$20, Non-Member \$25  
(Includes boxed lunch\*) Capacity: 25

Jennifer Lang will teach a VIRTUAL class on "**Flash Memoir: Telling A Big Story in A Small Space**" (via Zoom)

Born in the San Francisco Bay Area, Jennifer Lang lives in Tel Aviv, where she runs **israelwriterstudio.com**. Her prize-winning essays appear in *Baltimore Review*, *Under the Sun*, *Midway Journal*, and elsewhere. She holds an MFA from Vermont College of Fine Arts, is an assistant editor at *Brevity Journal*, and is a longtime yoga practitioner and instructor. Her unconventional book, *Places We Left Behind: a memoir-in-miniature* was just published this fall with Vine Leaves Press. Find her on Instagram @jenlangwrites, and Facebook @jenlangwrites and @israelwriterstudio.

\*Kosher under supervision

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# FILM FESTIVAL FAVORITE



Thursday, November 9, 2pm  
Hart Theater  
JCC Member: \$8, Non-Member \$10  
**Four Winters** (Best Documentary)  
2022 | 99 min. | English | USA | Director: Julia Mintz

This important documentary features surviving partisans who tell their stories through interviews, family photographs, and rare archival footage. In *Tablet*, Marjorie Ingall calls it, "Surprising, moving...and sometimes shockingly funny." **Four Winters** is a stunning, heartfelt narrative of heroism, resilience, and resistance, celebrating the courage, cleverness, and leadership of the partisans.



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Moderated by Authors + Innovators Festival committee member and journalist **Stacey Freed**

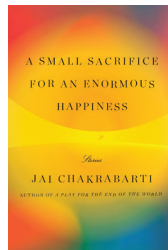
# FICTION PANEL LUNCH

Friday, November 10, 12pm  
JCC Auditorium C  
JCC Member: \$20, Non-Member \$25  
(Includes boxed lunch\*)

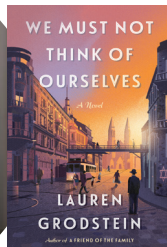


**Weina Dai Randel** is the first Asian American novelist who intertwined Chinese history with the Jewish diaspora in Shanghai during WWII. **Night Angels** is a profoundly moving novel about a diplomatic couple who risked their lives to help Viennese Jews escape the Nazis by issuing them Visas. It is based on the true story of Dr. Ho Fengshan, Righteous Among the Nations.

**Jai Chakrabarti's** novel **A Play for the End of the World** won the National Jewish Book Award for debut fiction. In his short story collection **A Small Sacrifice for an Enormous Happiness**, he explores what it means to cultivate a family today – across borders, cultures, religions and race. Born in Kolkata, India, he now lives in New York.



**Lauren Grodstein's** novel **We Must Not Think of Ourselves** is a heart-wrenching story of love and defiance in the Warsaw Ghetto, which is based on actual archives kept by those determined to have their stories survive World War II. Grodstein's other titles include the New York Times bestseller **A Friend of the Family** and the Washington Post Book of the Year **The Explanation for Everything**.



# LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

**Sunday, November 12, 12–4pm**

**Auditorium C**

**Free and open to the public** (10+ years old please)

**Drop in anytime from 12–4pm** as we join together as a community to build/decorate and stock two **Little Free Libraries** for installation at the JCC! We'll provide all the necessary materials, as well as light snacks/beverages. Come to help. Come to socialize. Come just to watch!

**Little Free Library** is a nonprofit organization based in St. Paul, Minnesota. Their mission is to be a catalyst for building community, inspiring readers, and expanding book access for all through a global network of volunteer-led Little Free Library book-exchange boxes.

As we re-imagined our Festival this year, we thought that adding Little Free Libraries to our public spaces was a fitting way to build community and bring people together to work on a project that will help create a year-round, accessible way of fostering literacy and reading.

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# ROCHESTER CONNECTION

**Monday, November 13, 7pm**

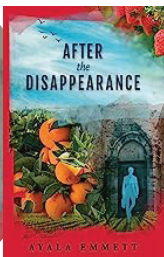
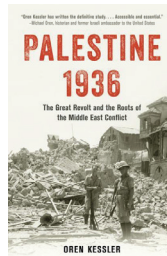
**Hart Theater**

**JCC Member: \$12, Non-Member \$15**

Talk by local authors **Oren Kessler** (*Palestine 1936*) and **Dr. Ayala Emmett** (*After the Disappearance*)

*Palestine 1936* is the story of two national movements and the first sustained confrontation between them. "Kessler is the first to tell this story from all three sides (British, Arab, Jewish) and use sources in all three languages (English, Arabic, Hebrew). He has done an exceptional job and opened new vistas on troubles past and present." – *The Wall Street Journal*

**Oren Kessler** is a journalist and political analyst based in Tel Aviv. He was raised in Rochester and Tel Aviv. [www.orenkessler.com](http://www.orenkessler.com)



*After the Disappearance* is a mystery that begins in 1955, when beloved journalist Benny Sasson travels to Jerusalem, gets off at the central bus station, and disappears. The search for Benny is marked by the sorrow of the Holocaust, the impact of the 1948 war, Israeli women's fight for inclusion, struggles over the rights of Arab workers, and a divided Jerusalem.

**Dr. Ayala Emmett** is Professor Emeritus of Anthropology at the University of Rochester. She was born in Tel Aviv.

Underwritten by **Debi and Ralph Brenner**



# HUMANS OF ISRAEL

## PORTRAIT EXHIBIT AT THE JCC

On display throughout November and December at the JCC in **Auditorium A**.



photos by Erez Kaganovitz

The JCC is proud to present a **special exhibit of 36 large-scale portraits by Israeli photographer Erez Kaganovitz** from his ***Humans of Israel*** project. See below for details on his presentation on the exhibit.

**The portraits will be on display throughout November and December.**

The exhibit is **free and open to the public** during JCC hours.

***Humans of Israel*** combines photojournalism with digital storytelling. With intriguing, thought-provoking photographs and the stories about the humans behind them, the exhibition puts a human face on an extraordinary place and challenges preconceptions those outside of Israel may have by communicating a sense of our shared humanity. The ***Humans of Israel*** exhibition offers a fresh look at the rich and remarkably diverse lives of Israelis and showcases Israel's diversity, multiculturalism, and vibrant civil society.

## ARTIST TALK: EREZ KAGANOVITZ

Tuesday, November 14, 7pm

Hart Theater

JCC Member: \$12, Non-Member \$15

"As a photographer, I'm excited to present my work for the first time [in Rochester] at the place where so many technological innovations in photography were invented."

—Erez Kaganovitz

Hear the stories behind the images! Photojournalist **Erez Kaganovitz** is coming from Israel to talk about about his evocative ***Humans of Israel*** exhibition.



Photographer, a native of Tel Aviv, and TEDx speaker, **Erez Kaganovitz** is the human behind the ***Humans of Tel Aviv***, ***Humans of Israel***, and ***Humans of the Holocaust*** projects. Through his work, Erez has helped bridge a cultural gap in society both within and outside of Israel. His compelling work brings understanding, emotional connection, and unity to many around the world.

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# JOE NUSSBAUM

Wednesday, November 15, 7pm  
Hart Theater  
JCC Member: \$12, Non-Member \$15

Film director and screenwriter Joe Nussbaum presents  
"Sweating the Details: The Anatomy of Directing a Scene"

Experience a unique perspective from behind the scenes of the creative process. Nussbaum will take a 'deep dive' into a single sequence from one of his productions: he'll show the sequence, then break down each component, from notes given to the writer during development, to casting, choosing the location or building the set, shot-listing, shooting, editing, scoring, and more. He'll show photos of each part of the process, including potential props and costumes, designs and plans for anything that needed to be built, storyboards, early cuts, and rough versions of visual effects.



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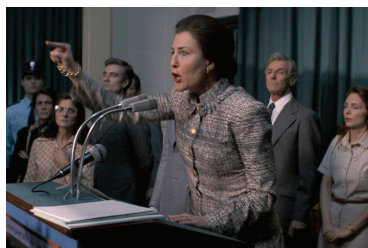
## FILM FESTIVAL FAVORITE



Thursday, November 16, 2pm  
Hart Theater  
JCC Member: \$8, Non-Member \$10  
**Simone Veil: A Woman of the Century** (Best Narrative)  
2022 | 140 min. | French (w/ subtitles)  
France | Director: Olivier Dahan

Both intimate and monumental, **Simone Veil, A Woman of the Century** celebrates the extraordinary life of one of the century's greatest heroines. Her history as a Holocaust Survivor fueled her lifelong campaign for human rights and against any form of injustice.

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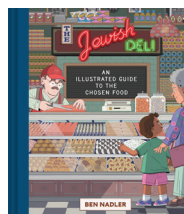


# BEN NADLER

Friday, November 17, 12pm  
JCC Auditorium C  
JCC Member: \$20, Non-Member \$25  
(Includes boxed lunch provided by Fox's Deli\*)



Enjoy a special lunch of classic Jewish deli foods and watch a VIRTUAL presentation (via Zoom) by Ben Nadler, author of **The Jewish Deli: An Illustrated Guide to the Chosen Food**. Nadler takes an illustrated comic-style approach to the subject of the neighborhood Jewish deli; he explores the history, spotlights foundational foods and favorite sides, and interviews proprietors of some of the best-known delis around today.



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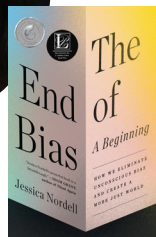
# JESSICA NORDELL

Sunday, November 19, 7pm

Hart Theater

JCC Member: \$12, Non-Member \$15

Join us for a riveting moderated "fireside chat" with **Jessica Nordell**, author of *The End of Bias: A Beginning, How We Eliminate Unconscious Bias and Create a More Just World* (named Best Book of the year by the World Economic Forum, Greater Good, AARP and Inc.). Nordell applies her 15 years of reporting on discrimination and its solutions, weaving gripping stories with scientific research and exquisite writing, to paint riveting portraits of those leading change while also looking critically at her own biases.




Moderated by **Debora McDell-Hernandez**, Director of Advancement for the College of Health and DEI, U of R Rochester Regional Health Foundations.

Underwritten by **Judy and Harold Samloff** and **Joyce Schachter**

## THE FESTIVAL ALSO RECOMMENDS...

**GIRAFFES CAN'T DANCE**




**October 14-22**

Book & Lyrics by Gloria Bond Clunie,  
Music by Elton Bradman and Leela Olesiewicz, Based on the book by Giles Andreae and Guy Parker-Rees

This new musical with original songs will transport you and your family to Africa where you will meet a cast of characters guaranteed to make you laugh and think. Most of all, Gerald's story will remind you that we all can dance when we find music that we love. **Ages 3+**

Details + Tickets at [tykestheatre.org](http://tykestheatre.org)



**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18**



**AN EVENING WITH NOA TISHBY**  
actress, producer, writer and activist

**TWO SPECIAL EVENTS**

- MAIN EVENT**  
5 pm | Open to all Women
- MORT SKIRBOLL MEMORIAL LECTURE ON ANTISEMITISM**  
7:30 PM | Open to All



# MITCH ALBOM

Monday, November 20, 7pm  
Brighton High School auditorium

**Students: \$12** (Contact us for discount for groups of 10 or more students)

**General Public: \$18** (Ticket only)

**\$30** (includes a pre-signed hardcover copy of Albom's newest title, *The Little Liar*)

The JCC presents internationally best-selling author Mitch Albom!

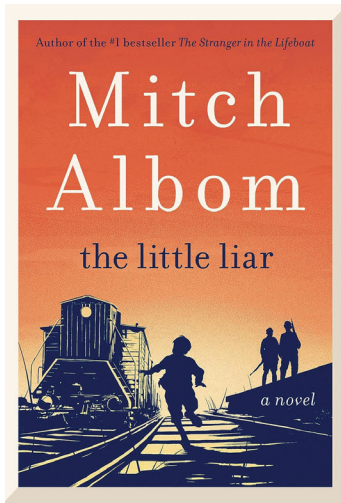
Albom is a journalist, screenwriter, playwright, radio and television broadcaster, philanthropist, and musician.

His signature title, *Tuesdays with Morrie: An Old Man, a Young Man, and Life's Greatest Lesson*, has sold 17 million copies in more than 50 editions worldwide.



at the Brighton High School Auditorium

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In November 2023, his new title, *The Little Liar*, will be released. *The Little Liar* is a powerful novel that moves from a small village in Greece during the Holocaust to America, where readers follow the intertwined lives of three Holocaust Survivors. Narrated by the voice of 'Truth' itself, the novel is a timeless parable about the harm of deceit, and the power of love.

Following his bestselling memoir *Finding Chika*, and *Human Touch*, a weekly serial written and published online which raised nearly \$1 million for pandemic relief, Albom returned to fiction with *The Stranger in the Lifeboat*, which debuted at #1 on the New York Times Bestseller List after being #1 on Amazon.

Albom now spends the majority of his time in philanthropic work. Since 2006, he has operated nine charitable programs in southeast Michigan under his SAY Detroit umbrella, including the nation's first medical clinic for homeless children. He also created

a dessert shop and popcorn line to fund programs for Detroit's most underserved citizens. Since 2010, Albom has operated the Have Faith Haiti orphanage in Port au Prince, a home to 60 children, which he visits every month without exception.

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# Tuesdays *With* Morrie

By Jeffrey Hatcher and Mitch Albom  
Based on the book by Mitch Albom

## November 5–19

After seeing his old college professor and mentor on *Nightline*, Mitch begins a series of visits to Morrie, who has captivated the world with his life lessons through the eyes of a man with ALS. Based on the *New York Times* Bestseller, *Tuesdays with Morrie* is a charming and uplifting story about making the most of the time we have and following our dreams.

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Sunday, November 5, 2pm

Thursday, November 9, 7pm

Saturday, November 11, 7:30pm

Sunday, November 12, 2pm 

Thursday, November 16, 7pm

Saturday, November 18, 7:30pm

Sunday, November 19, 2pm

Reserved Seats

JCC Members: \$30

Non-Member: \$35

Students: \$20

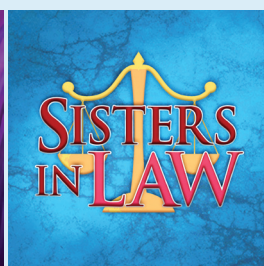
Inspired by Great Books and Musical Innovators!



December  
2–10



February  
3–18



April  
6–21



May  
4–19

Details + Tickets at [jcccenterstage.org](http://jcccenterstage.org)

# ABOUT THE FESTIVAL

## JCC Lane Dworkin Authors + Innovators Festival Mission Statement

The JCC Lane Dworkin Authors + Innovators Festival exists to create a showcase for Jewish authors and innovators, and/or books of Jewish content. In so doing, the festival promotes awareness, appreciation, and pride in the diversity of the Jewish people; strengthens community consciousness of Jewish identity, history, and culture; and provides a community forum to stimulate dynamic and provocative dialogue.

## With Fond Memories of Sheldon A. Lane

The JCC Lane Dworkin Authors + Innovators Festival is presented in memory of Sheldon A. Lane. His vision for the Festival continues through the support of his loving family.

## JCC thanks JBC!

The Jewish Book Council is a not-for-profit organization founded in 1943 to promote the publishing, writing, and reading of books of Jewish interest. Visit [jewishbookcouncil.org](http://jewishbookcouncil.org) for more information.



Join the conversation on social media!



Order tickets online at

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**attn: Authors + Innovators Festival**  
**1200 Edgewood Avenue**  
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**In-person:** The box office will be open 1 hour before each event for in-person ticket sales.

Seating is general admission for all events.  
 Questions? E-mail [mcataldi@jccrochester.org](mailto:mcataldi@jccrochester.org) or call 585.461.2000 x235.

	Date	Time	JCC Mem.	Non-Mem.	Qty.	Total
Allegra Goodman (pre-event discussion)*	Mon. 11/6	5:30pm	FREE			
Allegra Goodman	Mon. 11/6	7pm	\$12	\$15		
Faris Cassell	Tues. 11/7	10am	\$12	\$15		
Marc Badain	Tues. 11/7	7pm	\$12	\$15		
Jennifer Lang* (+ lunch)	Wed. 11/8	12pm	\$20	\$25		
Four Winters film	Thurs. 11/9	2pm	\$8	\$10		
Fiction Panel Lunch	Fri. 11/10	12pm	\$20	\$25		
Rochester Connection	Mon. 11/13	7pm	\$12	\$15		
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