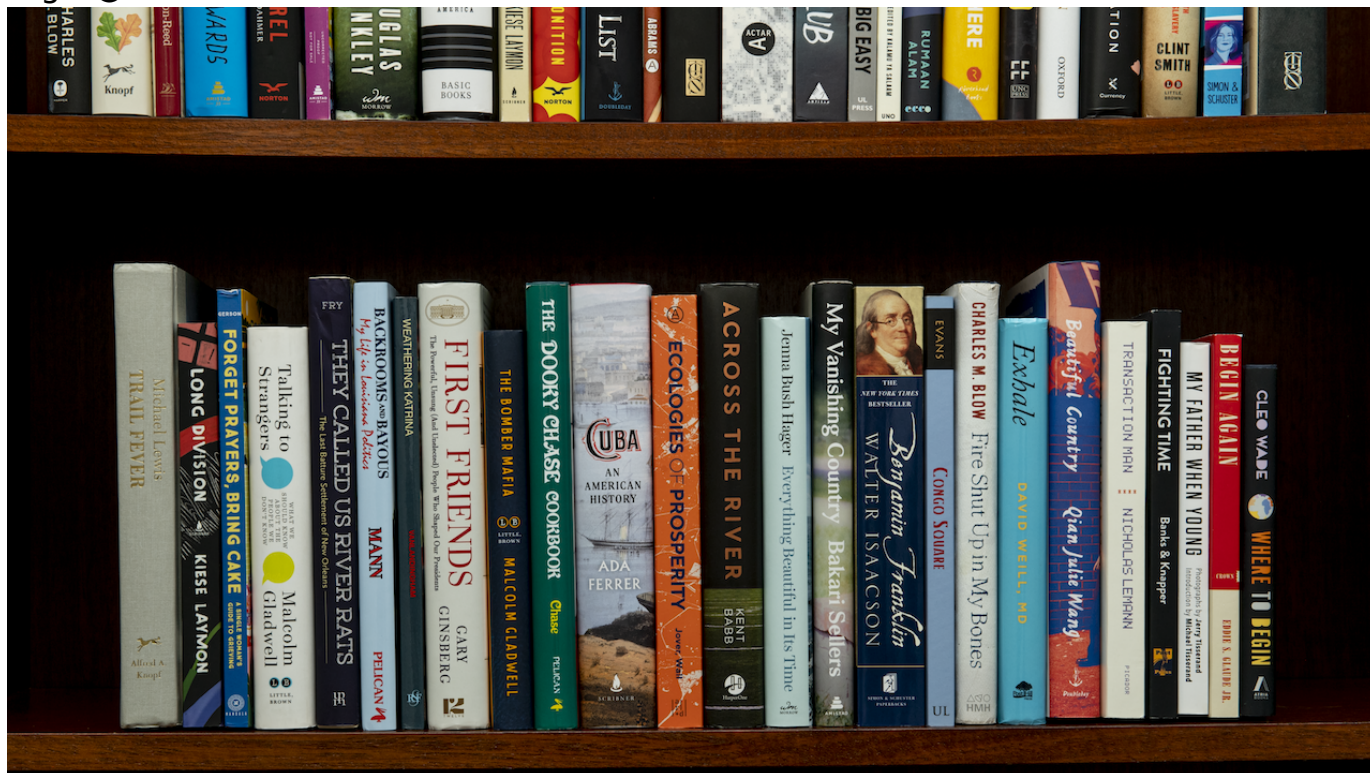


Pulmonologist David Weill, MD, to represent School of Medicine at New Orleans Book Festival

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A sampling of the many books that will be featured at the debut New Orleans Book Festival. (Picture by Paula Burch-Celentano)

The highly anticipated debut of the inaugural 2022 New Orleans Book Festival at Tulane University will take place on the uptown campus, March 10-12, and will feature 130 national, regional and local authors. The festival is free and open to the public.

David Weill, MD, professor of medicine and author of the memoir *Exhale*, will represent Tulane University School of Medicine. Weill's book reflects on the decade he spent directing the lung transplant program at Stanford. [Click here](#) to view the complete author and schedule lineup.

In addition to author panels, the book festival will feature a savory culinary symposium with the talented lineup of chefs Edgar Chase, IV, Justin Devillier, Molly

Kimball, Melissa Martin, Alon Shaya and Poppy Tooker. The group will participate in roundtable discussions and food tasting.

A collaborative celebratory musical performance will close out the book festival in style on Saturday. The musical ensemble will consist of the New Orleans Jazz Orchestra, Adonis Rose, Tom Sancton and Charlie Gabriel and Friends with Ben Jaffe, Josh Starkman and Walter Harris.

The book festival has partnered with the city of New Orleans' Mayor's Office of Youth and Families and Scholastic, the global children's publishing, education and media company, to bring a group of talented and award-winning children's authors for the event's inaugural Family Day at the Festival on Saturday, March 12. Family Day is open and accessible to all children of our community and their families.

Designed to be a dynamic and fun experience for all ages, Family Day is a family-centered, free event that includes a diverse selection of authors and presenters set to interact with kids throughout the day. Programming involving adult literacy resources will also be featured. From book signings to photos with beloved book characters to performances and read-alouds, there will be something for every child in attendance across all reading levels, backgrounds and reading interests.

All events will take place on Tulane's uptown campus, including the Lavin-Bernick Center for University Life, McAlister Auditorium, Myra Clare Rogers Memorial Chapel, Goldring/Woldenberg Business Complex and the Berger Family Lawn.

For more information on the New Orleans Book Festival at Tulane University, please visit www.bookfest.Tulane.edu or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).