



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](http://www.bookfest.Tulane.edu) or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).