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Inaugural North Texas Teen Book Festival Announces Lineup

IRVING, TEXAS — The inaugural North Texas Teen Book Festival (NTTBF), a free, one-day festival highlighting Young Adult and Middle Grade literature, is pleased to announce its full lineup of more than 50 *New York Times* bestselling and critically acclaimed authors.

“The brilliant lineup of authors we were able to secure and the overwhelming community response for NTTBF’s inaugural year has been amazing,” says Irving librarian and NTTBF founder Kristin Treviño. “The festival’s attendees are in for quite an exciting day!”

The idea for the regional teen book festival began thanks to the efforts of the Irving Public Library and support for the festival has since grown across the region. Representatives from eight cities, businesses and school districts are members of the planning committee, ensuring this event reaches teen readers across all of North Texas.

Some of the author highlights include:

[Heather Brewer](#), author of *The Slayer Chronicles*

[Patrick Carman](#), author of *Pulse* and the *Land of Elyon* series

[Rae Carson](#), author of *The Girl of Fire and Thorns* series

[Ally Carter](#), author of the *Gallager Girls* series

[Soman Chainani](#), author of *The School for Good and Evil*

[Allie Condie](#), author of *Atlantia* and the *Matched Trilogy*

[Jenny Han](#), author of *To All the Boys I’ve Loved Before*

[Gordon Korman](#), author of *Jackpot* and *Memory Maze*

[David Levithan](#), author of *Will Grayson*, *Will Grayson* and *Nick and Norah’s Infinite Playlist*

[D. J. MacHale](#), author of *The Sylo Chronicles*

[Sarah Mlynowski](#), author of *Magic in Manhattan* and *Whatever After* series

[Lisa McMann](#), author of *The Wake Trilogy*

[Stephanie Perkins](#), author of *Anna and the French Kiss* and *Lola and the Happily Ever After*

[Obert Skye](#), author of *Beyond Foo* and *Leven Thumps* series
[John 'Corey' Whaley](#), author of *Noggin* and *Where Things Come Back*

The NTTBF will take place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 7, at the Irving Convention Center, 500 W. Las Colinas Blvd. The event will kick off and end with a pair of speakers delivering keynote and endnote speeches. In between, teens can attend a variety of author speaker panels. Teens also can participate in the “Speed Date with a Book” event, traveling throughout a number of specified stations in a traditional speed dating formula. When the time limit is reached, teens will have the opportunity to select one of the books they were introduced to and take it home.

For the complete, most current listing of authors, visit: northtexasteenbookfestival.com/authors

About the [North Texas Teen Book Festival](#):

The North Texas Teen Book Festival is presented by [Irving Public Library](#) in conjunction with the Friends of the Irving Public Library. Partners include Half Price Books, the DFW chapter of the Forever YA book club, local school districts and other public libraries. This program is funded in part by a grant from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services and Texas State Library and Archives Commission, generous community donations through a successful Kickstarter campaign and corporate sponsors. For more information, visit nttbf.com or follow us on Twitter @NTTBFest.

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