

Get Lit at the Beach tickets on sale now

Literary gathering will host prominent authors April 8 to 10

CANNON BEACH — Best-selling and award-winning authors will gather in Cannon Beach April 8 to 10 for Tolovana Arts Colony's annual literary event Get Lit at the Beach. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet prominent authors, as well as attend presentations, signings and a keynote dinner presentation.

Authors scheduled for the 2016 event include:

- **Jess Walter:** New York Times best-selling author, finalist for the 2006 National Book Award and the PEN Center USA Literary prize in both fiction and nonfiction and winner of the 2005 Edgar Allan Poe Award, Walter will be the keynote speaker on Saturday evening.

- **Elizabeth Engstrom:** Engstrom is a sought-after teacher, keynote speaker and author of 14 books and over 250 short stories, articles and essays. Her novel "Candyland" has been made into the movie "Candiland" featuring Gary Busey, to be released in 2016.

- **Jonathan Evison:** Evison's book "West of Here" won the 2012 Pacific Northwest Booksellers Association award and was named Book of the Year by Hudson Book-



Submitted photo
Author Jess Walter will be the keynote speaker Saturday evening.

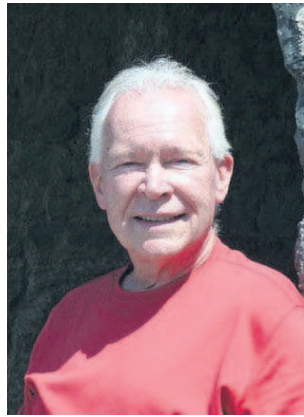


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Jonathan Evison will be a featured author at Get Lit this April.

sellers. His widely acclaimed "Revised Fundamentals of Caregiving" is also heading to the big screen this year in



Submitted photo by Mary Bartnikowski
Elizabeth Engstrom is author of 14 books.



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Author Terry Brooks will appear at Get Lit.

a movie that will star Paul Rudd, Selena Gomez and Craig Roberts.

- **Terry Brooks:** Brooks is

an acclaimed author with 35 books in print, most of which have appeared on The New York Times bestseller list. He is best known for his 25-book Shannara series that is now an MTV television series and was personally asked by George Lucas to write the novelization of "Star Wars Episode 1: The Phantom Menace."

The festivities begin with an authors' reception at 5 p.m. Friday, April 8 at the Cannon Beach Community Hall, providing attendees a chance to meet and chat with the authors. On Saturday at the Surfsand Ballroom, the authors will present talks throughout the day about their lives and craft, answer questions and sign books. The keynote speaker dinner featuring Walter will cap off Saturday's schedule. The event will wrap up with a panel discussion open to all and free of charge on Sunday morning at the Coaster Theatre.

Full pass tickets are \$85, Friday evening reception is \$30 and Saturday night dinner and keynote speaker presentation is \$65. Online fees apply. For more information and tickets, call 206-914-1255 or visit www.getlitatthebeach.eventbrite.com

Hear neo-classical pop, cosmic rock at KALA

Stunning Rayguns, Robin Baciorek to play

ASTORIA — The beautiful, manic, psychedelic soundtracks of the Stunning Rayguns returns to KALA at 8 p.m. Friday, March 4. A \$7 cover will be charged at the door, and a full bar will be available.

Created with electric guitars, drums and computer noises that collide and careen, Stunning Rayguns' music forms sonic tapestries in a constant quest for new musical exploration. Band members Raymond Martin and Collin Colebank give listeners solid rock grooves to hold onto while the drums and guitar consciously expand into what can be described, for lack of a better term, as cosmic rock or experimental spy rock.

Portland-based singer-songwriter Robin Baciorek will open the evening with a new ensemble backing her mellow, neo-classical arrangements. Baciorek plays acoustic piano, electric piano and guitar along with cellist Dan Bindschedler. The two started mending in more textured instrumentation, layering dynamic sounds into simple folk structures, which now includes drums and NORD keyboard, to retain the lush but unusual harmonic progressions created by her former duo.

Baciorek's songs have received praise from NPR's "All Songs Considered," VH1,



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Portland singer-songwriter Robin Baciorek will open the show.



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Psychedelic band Stunning Rayguns will perform March 4 at KALA.

MTV, NYLON, L Magazine, CBS, Stereomood, Soundcloud, along with various blogs and college radio stations.

KALA is located at 1017 Marine Drive. For information, call 503-338-4878.

