



## WHAT'S NEW

- Dates** September 23, 24 and 25, 2011  
Friday and Saturday 12-8pm and Sunday 12-7pm
- Location** Mount Vernon Place, 600 block of North Charles Street
- Description** The 16<sup>th</sup> annual Baltimore Book Festival, the mid-Atlantic premier celebration of the literary arts, returns with exciting and expanded programming and new partnerships for 2011. FREE!
- BaltimoreBookFestival.com**  
The Baltimore Book Festival has a redesigned website with a new look and more user-friendly features. For updated schedules and general information on the festival, visit [www.baltimorebookfestival.com](http://www.baltimorebookfestival.com).
- Baltimore Free School Lit + Language Tent**  
Baltimore Free School presents a weekend of intriguing programming with poetry readings, live performances by local musicians, spirited panel discussions and hands-on workshops on self-publishing, playwriting and book binding.
- The Crafts Corridor – NEW LOCATION**  
The West Park is now home to the Crafts Corridor. Look under the rainbow-colored pennants to find an array of hands-on projects to keep kids busy and entertained!
- Food Trucks**  
The Baltimore Book Festival is joining in on the crave with the addition of food trucks on North Charles Street, near the corner of Centre Street. Visit the mobile restaurants for appetizing foods and thirst-quenching beverages.
- Free Fall Baltimore**  
Get a preview of the great visual and performing arts scheduled for Free Fall Baltimore. Local art and cultural organizations: Eubie Blake National Jazz Institute and Cultural Center, Daydreams and Nightmares Aerial Theater and Nana Projects present programming on Friday, September 23 from noon-1pm in the Literary Salon, located in the East Park. For more information, visit [www.freefallbaltimore.org](http://www.freefallbaltimore.org).
- The George Peabody Library, Johns Hopkins University Press and JHU Sheridan Libraries**  
During the festival weekend, the historic George Peabody Library offers a number of enriching and enjoyable activities in its exhibit hall and stack room. Schedule includes the JHU Press Book Sale, author presentations, book signings, children's activities and discussions spotlighting the Peabody Library collections.

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**Hairy Baltimore**

The Baltimore Book Festival is releasing an art book called *Hairy Baltimore*, a celebration of the city's love of hair, which features 40 local personalities as seen by 20 different artists. Don't miss the kick off event on Friday, September 23 from 5-8pm in the South Park.

**Maryland Romance Writers**

Returning for a second year and with expanded programming is Maryland Romance Writers, the local chapter of the Romance Writers of America, showcasing the best in the romance genre with an array of literary arts including novels by first time authors, tips for established and aspiring writers and panels on engaging topics such as dystopian, erotica and Steampunk fiction.

**Milk and Cookies with the Storybook Characters**

Children can enjoy milk and cookies with Clifford, Madeline, Curious George, Little Critter and Little Nutbrown Hare on Saturday, September 24 from noon-1pm.

**Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America**

Members of the Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America present captivating author appearances, book signings, readings, panel discussions on science fiction, fantasy, horror, fandom and the craft and business of writing in speculative fiction genres.

**Storybook Parade – NEW DATE & TIME**

Those cheerful costumed characters are packing up and moving to a new date and time. Bring the children for the always-festive Storybook Parade on Friday, September 23 at 1pm. Families should gather in the Children's (West) Park at 12:45pm. Additionally, youngsters can make fun crafts to carry in the lively parade during workshops at noon.

*Special Thank You: Milk & Honey Market and Institute of Notre Dame.*

**Information**

1-877-BALTIMORE/For updated schedule information, visit [www.baltimorebookfestival.com](http://www.baltimorebookfestival.com)

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