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A food and dining blog by Suzanne Loudermilk



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Lineup of Food/Drink Authors

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The **Food for Thought Stage** at the **Baltimore Book Festival** will be cookin' with some great visiting authors and local chefs this weekend, Sept. 23-25. I think I'm just going to camp out there the whole time. Here's the schedule:

Friday

Noon-2 p.m. Chefs from Sascha's 527, McCormick & Schmick's, and Cazbar demonstrate their signature dishes.

5 p.m.: James Waller is a writer, editor, and author of *Drinkology*, *Drinkology Wine* and his latest, *Drinkology Beer*. Join him during happy hour at the festival to learn about—and sample—some of his favorite beers.

6 p.m.: Johnny Mo "The Musical Chef" is the chef/owner of Mallards Restaurants, Catering & Entertainment located on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, lead guitarist and singer for the band Quadpod, and author of *Rock The Kitchen*. His newest cookbook and CD, *Rock The Party*, features fun recipes and original music.

7 p.m.: With *See Mix Drink*, Brian Murphy has compiled a cocktail book that offers instruction through info-graphics, so you can make the drinks you love at home.

Saturday

Noon: Husband-and-wife team Jon and Robin Robertson demonstrate how to make meatless, dairy-free, and egg-free recipes from their cookbooks, *Vegan Fire* and *Spice and Vegan Unplugged: A Pantry Cuisine Cookbook and Survival Guide*.

1:30 p.m.: Fr. Leo Patalinghug's book, *Grace Before Meals: Recipes and Inspiration for Family Meals and Family Life*, provides a blend of food, family, faith, and fun. This book showcases the best food for body, mind, and spirit.

3 p.m.: Food writer Maria Speck's passion for propelling Old World staples such as farro, barley, polenta, and wheat berries to the forefront of New American cooking is presented in *Ancient Grains for Modern Meals*. Speck draws on food traditions from across the Mediterranean and northern Europe to reveal how versatile, flavorful, and sophisticated whole grains can be.

4 p.m.: Sarah Huck and Jaimee Young are professional recipe developers, editors, and adventurers. Their book, *Campfire Cookery: Adventuresome Recipes and Other Curiosities for the Great Outdoors*, is a food and activity guide that helps readers of all ages rethink the possibilities of what can be savored over the oldest cooking tool known to man—the open flame.

5:30 p.m.: Food Network chef Daisy Martinez shows you how to bring your family together with everyday Latin dishes in *Daisy: Morning, Noon and Night*.

7 p.m.: One of television's fastest-rising personalities, Aaron McCargo Jr. won the fourth season of *The Next Food Network Star* and now stars in his own Food Network show, *Big Daddy's House*. In his new cookbook, *Simply Done, Well Done*, McCargo shares his passion for big, bold flavors and family cooking.

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Noon: The *Broke Guy Stir Fry* cookbook by Douglas Wilburn is for anyone who is tired of the same old fast food or ramen noodle routine. This is your opportunity to impress your friends with great meals while simultaneously mastering the most versatile piece of cookware on the planet—the wok.

1 p.m.: In *The Vegan Slow Cooker*, Kathy Hester shows you how to create nourishing cuisine in just two simple steps, using all the healthiest produce, whole grains, and vegan-friendly ingredients found at your local market or farm stand (or home garden).

2 p.m.: On her Food Network show, *Mexican Made Easy*, Marcela Valladolid shows how simple it is to create dishes bursting with Mexican flavors. With 100 make-at-home recipes and 80 color photographs, *Mexican Made Easy: Everyday Ingredients, Extraordinary Flavor* brings all of the fresh flavors of Marcela's popular show into your home.

3:30 p.m.: "Simple Cooking with Heart" is a new program of the American Heart Association focused on building healthier lives with a specific focus on improving nutrition. This session features heart-healthy tips and a cooking demonstration by chef Casey Jenkins of Darker Than Blue Café.

4:30 p.m.: From *Washington Post* food editor Joe Yonan, *Serve Yourself: Nightly Adventures in Cooking for One* is a celebration of eating solo, with more than 100 easy-to-follow and globally inspired recipes for the food-loving single.

5:30 p.m.: In *The Casserole Queens Cookbook: Put Some Lovin' in Your Oven with 100 Easy One-Dish Recipes*, Sandy Pollock and Crystal Cook share their updated, from-scratch recipes for traditional dishes.

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