

Indie AUTHOR DAY

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D.J. Adamson djadamson.com

D.J. Adamson is the vice president of the writers' group Central Coast Sisters in Crime. Adamson is also a member of Central Coast Mystery Writers, and is the author of the mystery and suspense novels *Admit to Mayhem*, *Suppose*, and *Outre*.

Rolynn Anderson rolynnanderson.com

Rolynn Anderson is a Scandinavian, Army brat, English teacher, high school principal, golfer, boater, world traveler, and wife. Her goal is to write a 'makeover' novel you'll devour in the wee hours of the morning. Her titles include *Fear Land*, *Bad Lies*, and *Cezanne's Ghost*.

Jennifer Best bestfamilyadventures.com

Jennifer Best is a SLO native and has written for newspapers and magazines. Her published local guide, *Best Family Adventures: San Luis Obispo County*, is now in its second printing.

Diane Broyles dianebroyles.com

Before Diane Broyles retired, she was a writing consultant in Silicon Valley, where she wrote customer success stories for corporate clients. She is a member of the writers' group Central Coast Sisters in Crime. She currently edits select mystery novels. Her titles include *Out of Time on Santorini*, and *No Time for Ashes*.

Jack Cameron roughwriters.org

Jack Cameron is a retired lawyer who has practiced in LA, San Francisco, and Sacramento. He now lives in a small town on California's Central Coast with his wife and two cats. He always imagined having a law practice in a small town like Sea Cliff—the setting of his novel, *The Storm Drain Murder*.

Ed Cobleigh edcobleigh.com

Ed Cobleigh's vivid writing style stems from his background as a combat fighter pilot and instructor with the US Air Force, US Navy, Royal Air Force, Imperial Iranian Air Force, and French Air Force. He is on the faculty of the Central Coast Writers Conference at Cuesta College and teaches STEM classes on raptor aerodynamics to elementary students. He and his wife live in Paso Robles, CA. His titles include *War for the Hell of it: A Fighter Pilot's View of Vietnam* (memoir), and *The Pilot: Fighter Planes and Paris* (fiction).

David Congalton

David Congalton's book about the house fire that claimed five beloved animals in SLO, *Three Cats, Two Dogs, One Journey Through Multiple Pet Loss*, won the prestigious Merial Human-Animal Bond Award for Best Writing. He is also the author of *When your Pet outlives you: Protecting Animal Companions After You die*.

Diane Diamond

Diane Diamond was born in Oakland, California, and received her bachelor's degree at San Francisco State University. Her master's degree in language education and multicultural communication was from the School for International Training in Brattleboro, Vermont. After a long career in education and in the travel industry, she wrote the murder mystery *POISONED! How to Ruin a Life*. She currently lives on the Central Coast of California. This is her first Rita Charles novel.

David Dorfmeier c-lager.com

David Dorfmeier is a retired Vietnam veteran, retired Army Sergeant Major, and clinical therapist who works with service members with PTSD. His book *C-lager: Stalag Luft IV & the 86-Day Hunger March* is an account of the service history of Sergeant Donald D. Dorfmeier and the air war in Europe during WWII, his subsequent capture, and participation in the longest forced march of any group of Allied POWs in Germany during the winter of 1945.

Eldona Edwards

Eldona Edwards cut her teeth on the back of Southern Baptist pews in her provincial midwest hometown. Her best-selling memoir, *Lost in Transplantation*, chronicles a life-changing decision to donate a kidney to an ailing stranger. Her debut novel, *This I know*, is forthcoming from Kensington in April of 2018.

Sherry Eiselen sherryeiselen.com

Sherry Eiselen has been a Cambria resident for the last 20 years, and has had poems chosen for publication in the Tribune's annual Soul to Paper poetry celebration. Her fiction works includes the series *Fulton House Detective Agency*, *In a Flash*, *Runaway/Throwaway*, and *You Never can Tell*.

Patty Blue Hayes pattybluehayes.com

Patty Blue Hayes' memoir, *Wine, Sex and Suicide: My near-death divorce*, is an award-winning book that shares her personal story of loss, vulnerability, and eventual healing. She uses this story of pain and purpose to help others through coaching and writing.

Barbara M. Hodges barbaramhodes.com

Barbara M. Hodges is the author or coauthor of 11 works of fiction. She lives on the Central Coast of California with her husband, Jeff, and two basset hounds Hamlet and Heidi. She is the president of the Central Coast Chapter of Sisters in Crime. Her titles include *In Jeopardy* (mystery), *The Blue Flame* (young adult fantasy), and *A Spiral of Echoes* (paranormal romance).

Sheri Humphreys sherihumphreys.com

Sheri Humphreys used to be an emergency room nurse, but she currently loves to ignore yardwork and housework and read. A two-time Golden Heart finalist, she lives with her Jack Russell-mix rescue dog, Lucy, in Cambria. Her historical romance titles include *A Hero to Hold* and *The Unseducible Earl*.

Jenna Elizabeth Johnson jennaelizabethjohnson.com @AuthorJEJohnson

Jenna Elizabeth Johnson is a best-selling, multi-award winning author of fantasy and young adult paranormal romance. She holds a BA in Art Practice, with a minor in Celtic Studies, from UC Berkeley. She is often found reading, gardening, camping, hiking, bird watching, and practicing long sword fighting and archery using a long bow. Jenna also enjoys creating the images and maps for her various worlds. She is the author of the *Oescienne series* and the *Otherworld series*.

Brendan P. Kelso playingwithplays.com

Brendan P. Kelso came to writing modified Shakespeare scripts while at home with his newborn son. He left the engineering world to engage kids with The Bard at various Central Coast acting organizations. His titles include *Midsummer Night's Dream for Kids*, *Hamlet for Kids*, and *Romeo & Juliet for Kids*.

Keagan Kelso

Keagan Kelso is 13 years old. He enjoys playing guitar, reading Dr. Seuss, Disneyland, pineapple, and Spongebob Squarepants. His titles include *Freddy Goes to the Lake*, and *Freddy Goes to the Zoo*. Keagan writes books because he thinks books are amazing.

Catherine Kitcho pelepubs.com dysfunctionalfamilydrinks.com

Catherine Kitcho is the author of seven books, and is the founder and treasurer of the Coastal Dunes branch of the California Writers Club. Pele Publications, her company, is a member of the Independent Book Publishers Association. Her books include *The Dysfunctional Family Drink Book*, *The Use-it-Up Cookbook*, and *Dark Identity (fiction)*.

Samantha Lê samanthalepoet.wordpress.com

Born in Sadec, Vietnam in the aftermath of war, Samantha Lê immigrated to San Francisco when she was nine. She now lives in the foothills of the Central Coast where she paints, hikes, and reinvents old family recipes. A recipient of the James D. Phelan Literary Award and the Donor Circle for the Arts Grant, Lê holds an MFA in Creative Writing from San Jose State University. Her titles include *Corridors*, and *Little Sister Left Behind*.

Sue McGinty SueMcGinty.com

Sue McGinty's short fiction has been featured in four Central Coast Sisters in Crime mysteries. Her mysteries include *Murder at Smuggler's Cove* and *Murder in a Safe Haven*. In her real life, Sue worked as a technical writer for McGraw-Hill.

Mary Mead

Mary Mead is a cancer survivor, artist, and writer. Her *Monarch Beach* series of cozy mysteries includes *Out of the Blue*, *Wild Blue*, *Bluebonnets*, and *Deep Blue See*. She is also the author of the suspense novel *Hot Storage*.

A. Lizet Mendoza

A. Lizet Mendoza holds a BA in Creative writing from San Francisco State University. She is a stay-at-home mom to two magnificent kiddos, which means most of her writing is done during the witching hour. She's often found crocheting or painting instead of cleaning or writing. Her works include *Sitting on Rocks* (poem and short stories anthology), *The Day a Booger Ate my Brother* (children's picture book).

Diane Metivier-Hart dianehartauthor.com dianehartspeaker.com

On Monday, Jan. 10, 2005, it took just eight seconds for Diane Hart to be buried alive in her home during the La Conchita landslide. She struggled to survive with only a two-by-two foot air space and suffered collapsed lungs and multiple broken bones. *A Silent Stillness* tells the inspiring story of faith, hope and survival.

L.A. Nicholson lanicholson.com

L.A. Nicholson's first published works came after playing Dungeons and Dragons. She and a friend wrote several fantasy books and game modules, published by Mayfair Games. Some are considered collector's items today. Her adventure fantasy books include *Magick! The Awakening*, *Magick! Kiss of the Butterfly*, and *Magick! Race for the Starwreath*. She earned her BS in Journalism/Public Relations at Bowling Green State University and currently resides in Escondido, CA.

Steve Omar

Steve Omar has been a newspaper columnist/reporter for *The Hawaiian Times*, *Lahiana Sun*, and the *International Intelligencer*. He has used 45 years of world travel and archival research for his book *Remarkable World Travels*. His other non-fiction titles include *Extraterrestrial Civilizations on Earth*, and *The Future Age: Beyond the New Age Movement*.

Donna Lee Peabody arwinadventures.com

Donna Lee Peabody lives on the Central Coast. She's married to her high school sweetheart, Kristin, and credits him with keeping her romantic spirit alive. They share their home with two wonderful dogs that love to contribute to the stories by stretching across the keyboard and insisting on tummy rubs. Her romance books include *A Squire's Tale*, *The Kiss: A Portrait of Love*, and *Seasonal Seductions*.

T.J. Rafferty chowderpress.com

Born and raised in Ohio, T.J. Rafferty has lived in SLO County for 40 years. He has written books on Harley-Davidson, Indian, Ducati, and American motorcycles. His wife, Bronwyn, is a volunteer with the Food Bank and Friends of the Library. Rafferty is currently working on a screenplay for his eco-suspense novel, *The Pismo Calamity*.

Destry Ramey thepugs.com

Destry Ramey is a pediatric nurse practitioner and an internationally known award-winning children's author. She is a member of the Society of Children's Book Writers, and the SLO Nightwriters. Her children's books include *The Brown Paper Bag*, *Kippy's African Adventure*, *Why am I Dark?* Proceeds from her book benefit children's literacy programs and canine rescue.

Beryl Reichenberg berylreichenberg.com

Beryl Reichenberg has been writing and illustrating children's books for 10 years. She has produced over 20 titles, illustrated with her drawings and photographs, and is a member of the SLO Nightwriters, the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, and the National Storytelling Network. Her titles include *Ants on a Log*, *Butterfly Girls*, and *Backyard Birds*.

Patricia Schudy oldestdaughter.com

Patricia Schudy is a former nationally syndicated youth columnist (Universal Press Syndicate). More than 200 of her bylined features have appeared in national and regional publications, including *Better Homes and Gardens*. *Oldest Daughters: What to know if you are one or have ever been bossed around by one* is her first full-length, non-fiction book. She is a member of the Northern Colorado Writers Association.

William L. Seavey williamseavey.com

William L. Seavey has authored numerous books particularly helpful to people struggling with such basic issues as housing affordability, intelligent investing, community livability, job search, small business start-ups, access to health care and the cost of living in general. He has worked for *Newsweek* and *the Los Angeles Times*. His books include *Americanada? Cross Border Connections (politics/history)*; *Crisis Investing and Entrepreneurial (economics/financial)*; and *The Solar Solution (how-to/alternative energy)*.

M.J. Sewall mjsewall.com @mjsewall

M.J. Sewall grew up on the Central Coast, and writes in all genres. Sewall's books include *Wild Monsters Dance About* (short stories); *Forever Warriors* (contemporary fantasy); *Chosen King* series (young adult fantasy)

Helen M. Sherry, Ph.D. liveandgrow.com

Helen M. Sherry has been a licensed psychotherapist in California since 1980, and has served military families around the globe. Her family (husband Colin, sons Colin Edward and Bryan) and Native American spirituality are her center. Helen is a Quersted Elder and Keeper of Ceremonies in the Path of the Sacred Feminine. Her books include *Pebbles in the Pond Wave Four* (Self-Help/Transformation); *Always and Forever: Angel's Ladybugs* (Children's Picture Book).

Ben Simon

Ben Simon is a writer from San Luis Obispo. His book, *All the Wrong Dudes*, is a dark comedy and sci-fi novel.

Dori Stone

Lives on the Central Coast, where she enjoys growing food, teaching music, and helping people to resolve conflicts nonviolently. She is actively involved in local volunteerism and is a co-founder of Loving Earth Sanctuary, a rural education homestead in the Santa Lucia Mountains. Her book, *Growing Home*, is middle grade fiction.

Baxter Trautman baxterclare.com

Author Baxter Clare (aka Baxter Trautman) works as a biologist on California's Central Coast, where she lives on a ranch with her longtime companion and a fluctuating number of houseguests, wild animals, and domestic pets. Her books include *Spirit of the Valley* (natural history); and *The River Within* (fiction).

Susan Tuttle susantuttlewrites.com writerwithinpubs.com

Susan Tuttle is a writing teacher, freelance editor, poet and award-winning author. A past president of SLO Nightwriters and the Central Coast chapter of SinC, Susan is presently the newsletter editor for both organizations. Her books include the suspense novel *Sins of the Past*, and the paranormal suspense novels *Proof of Identity*, and *A matter of Identity*.

Reader Schedule Conference Room A

11:05 ADAMSON, DJ

11:10 CAMERON, JACK

11:15 COBLEIGH, ED

11:20 DIAMOND, DIANE

11:25 EDWARDS, ELDONNA

11:30 EISELEN, SHERRY

11:35 HAYES, PATTY

11:40 HODGES, BARBARA

11:45 HUMPHREYS, SHERI

11:50 JOHNSON, JENNA

11:55 KELSO, BRENDAN

12:00 KELSO, KEAGAN

12:05 KITCHO, CATHERINE

12:10 LE, SAMANTHA

12:15 McGINTY, SUE

12:20 MENDOZA, A. LISET

12:25 METIVIER-HART, DIANE

12:30 NICHOLSON, L.A.

12:35 OMAR, STEVE

12:40 RAMEY, DESTRY

12:45 SCHUDY, PATRICIA

12:50 SEAVEY, WILLIAM

12:55 SEWALL, MJ

1:00 SHERRY, HELEN

1:05 SIMON, BEN

1:10 STONE, DORI

1:15 TRAUTMAN, BAXTER

1:20 TUTTLE, SUSAN