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2019 Malibu Library Speaker Series Kicks Off with Bestselling Author Joyce Carol Oates

(Malibu, CA) – The City of Malibu and the County of Los Angeles Public Library present the first event of the 2019 Malibu Library Speaker Series, bestselling author of more than 40 novels Joyce Carol Oates, discussing and reading from her new novel "Hazards of Time Travel," on Tuesday, February 26 at Malibu City Hall.

"As Malibu begins to rebuild and recover from the Woolsey Fire, it is heartening to see the return of our community's cultural life," said Mayor Jefferson Wagner. "Malibu is proud to welcome such a renowned author, and I encourage everyone in the community to come and enjoy the work of this monumental talent."

Oates will discuss her new novel, her life and career, and answer questions from the audience. A book signing and a reception with refreshments will follow the discussion. "Hazards of Time Travel" will be available for purchase the night of the event.

Tuesday, February 26

Malibu City Hall, Civic Theater (23825 Stuart Ranch Rd., Malibu CA 90265)

7:00 PM - Lecture and Q&A

8:00 PM - Book Signing and Reception

Free with RSVP. Please RSVP online or by calling the Malibu Library at 310-456-6438.

Oates has penned more than 40 novels, and numerous critically acclaimed collections of short fiction, as well as essays, plays, poetry, a memoir, "A Widow's Story," and an unlikely bestseller, "On Boxing." Her remarkable literary industry, which includes work as an editor and anthologist, spans forms, themes, topics, and genres. In 2010, reflecting the widespread esteem in which her work is held, President Barack Obama awarded Oates the National Humanities Medal.

Since 1963, more than 40 of Oates's works have been included on the New York Times Notable Books of the Year list. Among her many honors are two O. Henry Prizes and two Bram Stoker Awards, the PEN/Malamud Award for Excellence in Short Fiction, World Fantasy Award, and M. L. Rosenthal Award from the National Institute of Arts and Letters. In 2009, Oates received the Ivan Sandrof Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Book Critics Circle. In 2012, she was awarded both the Mailer Prize for Lifetime Achievement and the PEN Center USA Award for Lifetime Achievement. In March 2014 she was awarded the Poets & Writers Distinguished Lifetime Award, and in 2017 the Bilbao BBK Ja! Prize.

The event is free, but RSVPs are required. RSVP online at www.MalibuCity.org/LibrarySpeakers or call 310-456-6438.

About the Series

The 2019 Malibu Library Speaker Series is a program of the County of Los Angeles Public Library, Malibu Branch, and the City of Malibu, featuring experts, authors and notable figures discussing a wide range of subjects, including the entertainment industry, literature, science, motivation, the arts, education, sports, travel, food and the environment.

The Malibu Library Speaker Series has taken place since 2013 and includes notable speakers such as bestselling author Jeannette Walls; famed civil rights lawyer Gloria Allred; climate change champion and author Bill McKibben; prolific comedy writer and director Tom Shadyac, author of the best-selling novel "Eat, Pray, Love" Elizabeth Gilbert and award-winning documentary filmmakers Rory Kennedy and Mark Bailey.

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