

# NORTH TEXAS TEEN BOOK FESTIVAL

## FESTIVAL OVERVIEW

### APRIL, 23 - SCHEDULE:

8 AM	BOOK SALES BEGIN, SWAG SHOP OPENS, SPEED DATING TICKET DISPERSAL BEGINS
8:15 AM	MIDDLE GRADE KEYNOTE WITH HOLLY BLACK
9 AM	PANELS, CONVERSATION
10 AM	PANELS, CONVERSATION, SPEED DATE WITH A BOOK
11 AM	PANELS, CONVERSATIONS, PODCAST WORKSHOP/PANEL, SPEED DATE WITH A BOOK
12 PM	PANELS
1 PM	PANELS, CONVERSATION, BOOKTUBE WORKSHOP/ PANEL, SPEED DATE WITH A BOOK
2 PM	PANELS, CONVERSATION, WRITING ABOUT WRITING WORKSHOP, SPEED DATE WITH A BOOK
3 PM	YOUNG ADULT KEYNOTE WITH LIBBA BRAY & GAYLE FORMAN
3:30 PM	AUTHORS SIGNINGS
5 PM	BOOK SALES AND FESTIVAL ENDS

\*\*NOTE: THE IRVING CONVENTION CENTER WILL HAVE THE CAFÉ AND SEVERAL CONCESSION CARTS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE DAY FOR YOUR DINING PLEASURE. FOOD NOT PROVIDED BY THE IRVING CONVENTION CENTER IS NOT ALLOWED INSIDE THE BUILDING. EATING BROWN BAG LUNCHES WILL NEED TO BE CONDUCTED OUTSIDE.

# FESTIVAL COMPONENTS:

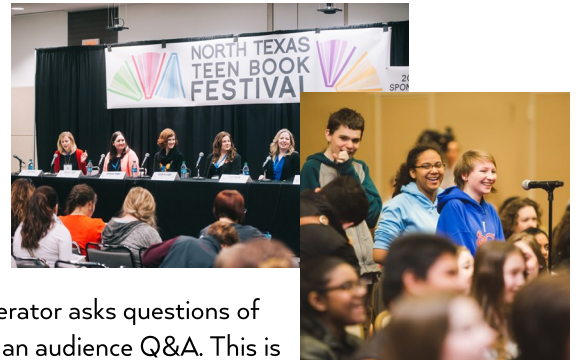


## Opening and Ending Conversations, at 8:15 AM and 3 PM

The opening and ending conversations feature a discussion between two nationally-known authors. The Opening Conversation will showcase 2 Middle Grade authors and the Ending Conversation will highlight two Young Adult authors. Tickets for the conversations will not be available this year. All of the authors included in the conversations will also be speaking at a number author panels throughout the day.

## Panels, begin at 9 AM

Between 9 AM and 2 PM a number of panels will be presented highlighting 4-6 authors that are all tied together by something. It could be authors with similar themes, authors from the same publisher, authors that are friends, authors in the same writing group, authors that have written short stories for an anthology, or even a group of authors all with the same name (like our Jenny panel last year!). The authors will introduce their work and then a moderator asks questions of each for about 30 minutes. The last half of a panel discussion is reserved for an audience Q&A. This is a great opportunity for students to come prepared to with questions to ask their favorite authors.



## Workshops, begin at 11 AM

Local, nationally and internationally known booktubers and podcasters will present workshops at 11 AM, 1 PM and 2 PM. Booktubers, young people that have started vlogging about books on YouTube, will present workshops on constructing your own booktube channel and podcasters on the ins and outs of starting a book review podcast. An experience book review will also present on constructing a dynamic book review.

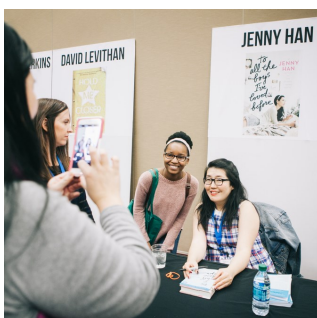
## Speed Dating with a Book , first group begins at 10 AM (ticket distribution starts at 8 AM)

Tween and teen readers will have the opportunity to visit with one of our Matchmakers (local teachers and librarians) to learn about books from festival authors, and select one free title to take home on a “date”. The event will take place in the fourth floor Atrium and you must have a free armband to participate. Armbands will be available at the 1st floor welcome desk starting at 8 AM and will only be given to readers in grades 5 through 12. Armbands are one per person and will be distributed *while supplies last*. The armband will designate your hour to participate in the Speed Dating event. You will need to be at the fourth floor Atrium at your assigned hour. Readers may choose to learn about Middle Grade or Young Adult titles. Readers may choose to learn about Middle Grade or Young Adult titles. Armbands are one per person and will be distributed *while supplies last*.



## Book Sales, begin at 8 AM

Books from all featured authors will be available for sale on the first floor in the Exhibit Hall. Quantities are limited. Prices range from \$8-\$20. Cash, check or credit cards accepted. Teacher discounts cards and/or gift cards are not able to be processed at this event. Our Book Sales partner is Half-Price Books.



## Author Signings, begin at 3 PM

All authors will be signing starting at 3 PM in the Exhibit Hall. Festival attendees that have purchased a Festival Fast Pass will be able to select 10 authors to go to the front of the line on. Festival staff may limit signing lines as needed to accommodate crowds. For author signings, you may bring 3 books from home for every 1 book you buy at the festival. There isn't a limit to how many books you can get signed, depending on how many times you are willing to wait in line. You may get 3 books signed per author, per trip in line (ex. 6 books from one author= 2 trips in line). A stock of pre-signed books will be available for purchase through our bookseller, Half Price Books.