

TODAY'S EVENTS

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.
Yoga, Barn

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
Breakfast, Bread Loaf Inn

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
"The Art of Description,"
by Rick Barot, Little Theater

10:10 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.
Poetry and Nonfiction
Workshops

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Lunch, Bread Loaf Inn

1:15 p.m.
Blue Parlor Reading, Barn Tent

2:30 p.m.
Craft Classes

4:15 p.m.
Reading: Sarah Cypher,
Keith S. Wilson, and Paul Lisicky,
Little Theater

5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
Barn Social

6:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
Dinner, Bread Loaf Inn

8:00 p.m.
Special Film Showing:
"Toni Morrison: The Pieces I Am,"
Little Theater

9:00 p.m. - Midnight
Nightly Barn Pub
with Pizza!



Craft Class Corner

Please note that any required handouts are available on the table in the Inn.

Into the Rabbit Hole: Incorporating Research into Creative Work,
with Toni Jensen - Barn Classroom 203

Connections, Disconnections, and Reconnections in Fiction,
with Chigozie Obioma - Barn Classroom 101

Writing the In-Between, with M Lin - Barn Classroom 204

Harold and the Purple Crayon: Form as a Generative Force,
with Patrick Phillips - Barn Classroom 102

Refrain Refrain, with Armen Davoudian - Barn Classroom 206

Writing Against Your Character, with Steven Kleinman - Barn Classroom 205



The Blue Parlor Strikes Back!

Even though it feels like we are just getting started, the Blue Parlor's final open reading will feature fifteen new readers at 1:15 p.m. in the Barn Tent. Put that post-lunch sugar rush to good use and join us for an hour of poetry, fiction, nonfiction, humor and more—delivered to you in three-minute increments. Today's lineup features: William An, Veronica Bettencourt, Maggie Wu, Christian Livermore, Clarissa Bannor, Victoria Chen, Helena Chung, Deniz Kuypers, Rachelle Howie, Ari Cofer, Dujie Tahat, Anita Vijayakumar, Bettina Judd, Anna Vallee, Kate Finlinson, and Adrian Schnall.

Big shout-out to all the folks who have been coming out to the Blue Parlor reading—you have continued to pack the house and make it such a vibrant and meaningful space. If you're wondering what all the fuss is about, then join us. Tell your friends to come! Mark your calendar for the rest of our exciting Blue Parlor events: the From the Dark Tower reading happening on Thursday, August 21 at 9:00 p.m. in the Barn Tent and the rapidfire One Minute in Heaven reading, happening on Friday, August 21 at 10:15 a.m. in the Little Theater. We look forward to seeing you there!

*Affirmations and questions welcome.
Contact Tobi Kassim or Soo J. Hong.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Workshop Photos

While you are here at the conference, you have the chance to order 5x7 or 8x10 color group photos of your workshop. Photos of each group cost \$12 or \$15 per picture (according to size) if ordered at the Front Desk by noon on Thursday, August 20. Pictures will be available for pickup around lunchtime Friday.

Any orders placed after 12:00 p.m. on August 20 (that can't be filled before you leave) will be \$18/\$21 (mailing has gotten expensive) and will be mailed to your home address. If you have questions, please see Edward or Victoria Brown at the Front Desk. Completed order forms and full payment should be made at the Front Desk.

Shipping & Mailing

If you plan to ship boxes home, they need to be sent from the Front Desk by Friday at 12:00 p.m. (This includes boxes shipped UPS or U.S. Postal Service). This will come in handy for all those books you've just bought. There are a few shipping boxes available by the Front Desk near the mailboxes. The Front Desk will help you price-compare various shipping options.

Transportation

Please also stop by the Front Desk if you plan to leave Middlebury by bus or train Saturday morning, so that a van to town can be arranged. There will be a sign-up sheet for space in the van. Jessica's Vital Transit will only be providing rides to the Burlington Airport and will not stop in Middlebury.

COMMUNITY ITEMS

Rainier Writing Workshop Info Session

The Rainier Writing Workshop in Tacoma, Washington, is one of the best low-residency MFA programs in the country. Many Broad Loafers have gone on to attend RWW. Find out about the program in this info session with Rick Barot (program director) and Aram Mrjoian (faculty member) today at 5:30 p.m. in Barn 101.

Mushroom Walk Alert!

Fervent forager? Ardent Amanita lover? Simply fungi-curious? Let's meet at 5:15 p.m. on the Inn Porch today to go on a wild mushroom foray in the woods. Irene Jiang will do her best to help identify some fun mushroom guys, or at least point them out. Bug spray advised. No experience necessary!

LGBTQ+ Participant Caucus

LGBTQ+ participants are invited to gather and build community at Bread Loaf. Come find us in the southeast corner at the Barn social tonight at 5:15 p.m. If you want to join our Signal thread or have questions, email ash.b.alpert@gmail.com.

FACULTY FLASHBACK!



A mini Gabrielle Calvocoressi to brighten our day.

GUESTS

Today we welcome **Jin Auh, Charles Baxter, Michael Collier, Edward Hirsch, and Jenna Johnson** to the mountain, and bid a fond farewell to **Lindsay Schwoeri**.



Scattered showers and sun.

High: 79°

Low: 68°

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ride-Share Bulletin Board

If you are willing to offer a ride on departure day, note your name on the carpooling sheet posted near the Dining Hall. Those looking for a ride can then contact you to make a plan.

Counselor on Campus

For mental health matters, please contact Antonia Losano at alosano@middlebury.edu to make an appointment. Antonia will be available remotely until the 22nd. There is no cost.

Toni Morrison

Documentary Screening

The film *Toni Morrison: The Pieces I Am* will be shown in the Little Theater tonight at 8:00 p.m. "From her childhood in the steel town of Lorain, Ohio, to '70s-era book tours with Muhammad Ali, from the front lines with Angela Davis to her own riverfront writing room—Toni Morrison leads an assembly of her peers, critics, and colleagues on an exploration of race, America, history, and the human condition as seen through the prism of her own literature."



Pizza in the Barn

The barn pub will have pizza beginning at 9:00pm. Come grab a slice!

Please Mind the Doors!

Satisfying as it may be to give a door a good slam, sound carries and your neighbors may be napping. Please be mindful and ease doors shut in the halls and stairwells.

Today's Menu

Lunch: Cream of Hungarian Mushroom; Basque Braised Chicken with Peppers; Tofu & Cauliflower with Pumpkin Seeds, Brown Butter, and Lime; Cuban Sandwich, French Fries, Green Beans

Dinner: Grilled Spicy Coconut Chicken Thighs, Codfish Vera Cruz, Rice Pilaf with Shitake Mushrooms, Sweet & Spicy Root Vegetables, Roasted Red Potatoes, Asparagus, Bow-tie Pasta & GF Penne, Marinara

Tiny HORRORSCOPES

♈ ARIES	Falling electric keyboard	♎ LIBRA	Edited to death
♉ TAURUS	Suspicious moss	♏ SCORPIO	Inland piranhas
♊ GEMINI	Finding your high school sonnets	♐ SAG.	Frogs? The stars weren't clear.
♋ CANCER	Waking up to the same Bread Loaf day forever	♑ CAP.	Rabid poet
♌ LEO	1,000 paper cuts	♒ AQU.	The vengeful ghost of Willa Cather
♍ VIRGO	Jason Lamb in a hockey mask	♓ PISCES	Waiting 30 years for a Submittable response

Planning a Get-Together

If you would like to plan a get-together with other Bread Loafers while on campus, just let a Back Office staff member know so we can reserve a Barn Classroom for you. From there you're invited to put up a flyer on the bulletin board just outside of the Dining Room to share the details with fellow Bread Loafers. To include a blurb about it in *The Crumb*, the editors must receive the details at blcrumb@gmail.com **today**.



Friendly Reminder:

Don't be a stranger!
Please continue to wear your name tag.

FACULTY FLASHBACK!

Tomorrow is Luis Alberto Urrea's birthday!

OVERHEARD

"Is it Jen or Jennifer?" "It's Victoria."

"Are you familiar with the plot of Air Bud?"

"So this is a ladybug who is a flat earther."

"I'm either going to grow a tail or get cancer, but I hope I get tail cancer and they cancel each other out."

"I'm going to the Blue Parlor to do my pushups after the reading."

"The bottom of the ramen bowl? That's really intimate."

"Is Mace Windoo still alive?"

"No time for laughter."

Keep sending these in!

We love them! We love you!



Lost Item: Missing gold hoop earring.
If found, please leave for Moa Short
at the Front Desk.

From yesterday's AAPI
Ramen Rumble!