



SONOMA VALLEY  
AUTHORS  
FESTIVAL

THE SONOMA VALLEY AUTHORS FESTIVAL WILL TAKE FLIGHT ON FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2018. The weekend will begin with the Student Workshop- a full day "mini-festival" of interactive, educational, engaging and inspiring lectures, panels, and conversations featuring 11 authors and speakers. Approximately 2,700 students from Sonoma Valley High School, Adele Harrison and Altimira Middle Schools, Hanna Boys Center and Sonoma Academy will participate. This will be a day of inspiration and exploring possibilities, providing students with an extraordinary opportunity where they will personally meet, interact with, and be inspired by some of the most engaging, innovative, and courageous writers and leaders in science, technology, and medicine.

With the input of teachers, librarians and administrators, the 2018 Students Day has been designed especially for middle and high school students and will be a celebration of community and literacy. We hope this day will be a meaningful and memorable event in each student's life. 10,000 Degrees is a partner with the Sonoma Valley Authors Festival and was instrumental in designing this part of the Festival.



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# SONOMA VALLEY AUTHORS FESTIVAL

## STUDENTS DAY

### FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2018



# SONOMA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL PROPOSED PROGRAM\*

AUTHOR/SPEAKER	BILLY COLLINS	CAPTAIN SCOTT KELLY	R.J. PALACIO	LISA FENN	DANIEL RODRIQUEZ	DR. RAMON RESA	ALEX FILIPPENKO, PhD	PEDRO P. IRAZOQUI, PhD	DR. R. SANDERS WILLIAMS
<b>BOOKS</b>	<i>Sailing Alone Around the Room: New and Selected Poems;</i> <i>Nine Horses: Poems</i>	<i>Endurance: A Year in Space, A Lifetime of Discovery</i>	<i>Wonder</i>	<i>Carry On: A Story of Resilience, Redemption, and an Unlikely Family</i>	<i>Rise: A Soldier, a Dream, and a Promise Kept</i>	<i>Out of the Fields - My Journey From Farmworker Boy to Pediatrician</i>	<i>The Cosmos: Astronomy in the New Millennium</i>		<i>A Crack in Creation: Gene Editing and the Unthinkable Power to Control Evolution</i> written by Professor Jennifer A. Doudna
<b>AUDIENCE</b>	Students selected from 6th — 12th grade English classes	Students from 9th — 12th grade photography classes and science courses	Students from 6th — 8th grades	9th — 12th grade students from Sonoma Valley High School and Hanna Boys Center; broken into two groups	9th — 12th grade students from Sonoma Valley High School and Hanna Boys Center; broken into two groups	6th — 12th grade junior high and high school students enrolled in AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination).	9th grade Earth Science classes; 11th and 12th grade students enrolled in Physics courses.	9th and 10th grade students in biology; 11th and 12th grade students in AP Biology; 10th — 12th grade students in Engineering, Design and Technology Academy	9th and 10th grade students in biology; 11th and 12th grade students in AP Biology; 10th — 12th grade students in Engineering, Design and Technology Academy
<b>NUMBER OF STUDENTS</b>	700 students selected from Adele Harrison and Altimira Middle Schools, Sonoma Valley High School, and Hanna Boys Center	400 students from Sonoma Valley High School	800 students from Adele Harrison and Altimira Middle Schools	800 students from Adele Harrison and Altimira Middle Schools; 1400 students from Sonoma Valley High School, and 100 high school students from Hanna Boys Center	1400 students from Sonoma Valley High School, and 100 high school students from Hanna Boys Center	380 middle and high school students in AVID program, and 100 high school students from Hanna Boys Center	225 students from Sonoma Valley High School	450 students from Sonoma Valley High School	50 students from Sonoma Valley High School
<b>CURRICULUM</b>	Two-time poet laureate, Collins' poems are found in public places from subways and the backs of Metro cards, to trains and on cocktail napkins. Through this, his poems make readers feel included as they relate to the details of daily life as Collins describes them.	Scott Kelly will share slides and stories from his memoir of a year in space on the International Space Station along with reflections on leadership, teamwork and testing limits.	This book complements the socio-emotional learning important for middle school students. The book's message of kindness has inspired the Choose Kind movement.	Lisa Fenn will present with Leroy Sutton and Dartanyon Crockett, two disabled young men from low-income backgrounds whose story Lisa wrote about in <i>Carry On</i> . Topics will include leadership, community, overcoming poverty and adversity.	Daniel Rodriguez is a motivational speaker who will share his story of serving in the Iraq war and then playing college football. His story illustrates how to create goals and continue striving for them despite adversity.	Dr. Resa will speak about how he was the first in his family to go to college. He grew up in extreme poverty as one of 15 children; he credits his grade school teachers with the idea of going to college and becoming a doctor. Dr. Resa is living proof to his young patients that they too can make a better future for themselves.	Dr. Filippenko has been voted "Best Professor" at UC Berkeley nine times. A world-renowned expert on supernovae, black holes, galaxies, and cosmology, Filippenko teaches so passionately he has "the ability to light the astral fire" in his audiences.	Students are learning principles of engineering and design through project-based learning. Dr. Irazoqui will share amazing advances in Biomedical Neuroengineering using Implantable Electrical Devices.	Dr. Williams will speak about CRISPR and the dawn of the age of Gene Editing in humans, animals, and plants.
<b>SCHEDULE</b>	8:30 – 9:30 AM	10:15 – 11:15 AM	10:15 – 11:50 AM	10:15 – 11:00 AM 11:05 – 11:50 AM	1:25 – 2:10 PM 2:15 – 3:00 PM	1:25 – 2:10 PM 2:15 – 3:00 PM	1:25 – 2:10 PM 2:15 – 3:00 PM	8:20 – 9:05 AM 9:10 – 9:55 AM	10:15 – 11:00 AM 11:05 – 11:50 AM

# SONOMA ACADEMY PROPOSED PROGRAM\*

AUTHOR/SPEAKER	DANIEL RODRIQUEZ	DR. RAMON RESA	ALEX FILIPPENKO, PhD	DEEPA THOMAS	AKBAR AHMED	BILLY COLLINS
<b>BOOKS</b>	<i>Rise: A Soldier, a Dream, and a Promise Kept</i>	<i>Out of the Fields - My Journey From Farmworker Boy to Pediatrician</i>	<i>The Cosmos: Astronomy in the New Millennium</i>	<i>Deepa's Secrets</i>		<i>Sailing Alone Around the Room: New and Selected Poems;</i> <i>Nine Horses: Poems</i>
<b>AUDIENCE</b>	Entire student body - 310 students plus 40 staff and parents	Session with 85 Students	Session with 85 Students	Session with 85 Students	Session with 85 Students	Entire student body - 310 students plus 40 staff and parents
<b>LOCATION</b>	Gym	French Quarter	Gym	Library	Theater	Gym
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<b>SCHEDULE</b>	9:30 – 10:30 AM	10:45 – 11:45 AM	10:45 – 11:45 AM	10:45 – 11:45 AM	10:45 – 11:45 AM	12:45 – 1:45 PM

## AUTHORS/SPEAKERS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR



BILLY COLLINS



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