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LLLCF presents its Distinguished Speaker Series in August

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The Lafayette Library and Learning Center Foundation will present three author discussions as part of its Distinguished Speaker Series Aug. 9, 10 and 19.

Author Anthony Marra will speak at 7 p.m. Aug. 9 in the Don Tatzin Community Hall about his book, "Mercury Pictures Presents," a love letter to life's bit players, a panorama of an era that casts a long shadow over our own, and a tour de force by a novelist whose work The Washington Post calls "a flash in the heavens that makes you look up and believe in miracles," according to the LLLCF website. Tickets are \$30 and include a copy of?"Mercury Pictures Presents."

On Aug. 10 Emi Nietfeld will discuss her memoir, "Acceptance" at 7 p.m. in the Don Tatzin Community Hall. "Acceptance" is described as a luminous, generation-defining memoir of foster care and homelessness, Harvard and Big Tech, examining society's fixation with resilience - and its cost. Tickets are \$27 and include a copy of Nietfeld's memoir.

And on Aug. 19 at 2 p.m. in the Don Tatzin hall, in partnership with Orinda Books, author Daniel Stone will discuss his book, "Sinkable: Obsession, the Deep Sea, and the Shipwreck of the Titanic" which is part narrative history and part adventure, filled with colorful characters and fascinating science that reveals a crucial part of the Titanic's story almost no one ever examines. "Brimming with humor, curiosity and wit,"? according to the LLLCF website, "`Sinkable'?follows in the tradition of Susan Orlean and Bill Bryson, offering up a page-turning work of personal journalism and an immensely entertaining romp through the deep sea and the nature of obsession."

To rsvp for any of these programs, visit https://www.lllcf.org/special-events

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