

# CRAZY 8s AUTHOR TOUR

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## Salem

September 24, 2015, 7:00pm

Where: Salem Public Library  
585 Liberty Street SE, Salem

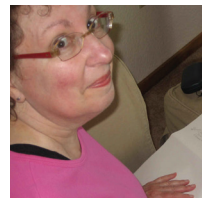
Bookseller: The Book Bin

## FEATURING

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### RUTH TENZER FELDMAN

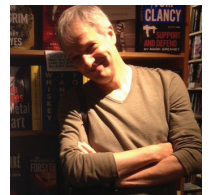
Ruth Tenzer Feldman has wandered away from two decades writing ten nonfiction books and scores of articles on history and science into the murky and mesmerizing world of historical fiction/fantasy. *Blue Thread*, which entwines a Portland suffragist and a biblical character across millennia, won the Oregon Book Award for young adult literature. A companion novel, *The Ninth Day*, weaves together the Berkeley's 1964 Free Speech Movement and 11th Century Paris. Ruth is working on "Book Three," which pairs 16th Century Istanbul with Portland in 2059. Learn more at [www.ruthtenzerfeldman.com](http://www.ruthtenzerfeldman.com).



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### DANA HAYNES

Dana Haynes is the author of four thriller novels from St. Martin's Press: *Crashers*, which won the Spotted Owl Award from Friends of Mystery as best mystery or thriller written by a Northwest writer. His other thrillers include *Breaking Point*, *Ice Cold Kill* and 2014's *Gun Metal Heart*. He also wrote three murder mysteries for Bantam Books and Severn House. He lives in Portland, Oregon, with novelist Katy King, and serves as communications director for Portland Mayor Charlie Hales. Learn more at [www.dana-haynes.com](http://www.dana-haynes.com).



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### LINDSAY HILL

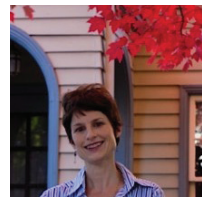
Lindsay Hill was born in San Francisco and graduated from Bard College. Since 1974, he has published six books of poetry and his work has appeared in a wide variety of literary journals. *Sea of Hooks*, his first novel, was published by McPherson & Company in late 2013. *Sea of Hooks* won the 2014 PEN Center USA Fiction Award, the 2015 IPPY Gold Medal for Literary Fiction, and was also a finalist for the 2014 Oregon Book Award. Lindsay works in the nonprofit sector and lives in Portland, Oregon, with his wife, the painter Nita Hill. Learn more at [hill4spiral.wix.com/sea-of-hooks](http://hill4spiral.wix.com/sea-of-hooks).



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### SUSAN HILL LONG

Susan Hill Long's fiction has appeared in *Hunger Mountain*, and her books for beginning readers have been published by Macmillan and HarperCollins. Her middle grade novel *Whistle in the Dark* (Holiday House, September 2013), was named a *Publishers Weekly* Best Book of the Year and a Bank Street Best Book, was a finalist for the Oregon Spirit Award and the winner of the 2015 Eloise Jarvis McGraw Award (Oregon Book Awards). She is also a recipient of the Katherine Paterson Prize. Her next novel for young readers, *The Magic Mirror*, will be published by Knopf in 2016. She lives in Portland with her husband and two daughters. Learn more at [susanhilllong.com](http://susanhilllong.com).



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## ISMET PRICIC

Ismet Pricic was born in 1977 in Tuzla, Bosnia-Herzegovina and immigrated to the US in 1996. He holds an MFA in Writing from the University of California in Irvine. His debut novel, *Shards*, was published in 2011 by Grove Press to critical acclaim, winning the Sue Kaufman Prize from the American Academy of Arts and Letters, the LA Times, the Oregon Book Award and many others. It was a *New York Times* Notable Book of the Year and has been translated into nine languages. The author received a 2010 NEA award and co-wrote the screenplay for *Imperial Dreams*, which premiered in 2014 at the Sundance Film Festival and won the audience award in its category. Pricic lives in Portland. Learn more at [www.ismetprcic.com](http://www.ismetprcic.com).



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## JODY SEAY

Transplanted Texan, Jody Seay, has been living and writing in Oregon since 1988. Her first book, *The Second Coming of Curly Red*, won First Prize for Fiction at the Mendocino Coast Writer's Conference and then became a Finalist in the Oregon Book Awards. Earlier, her essays appeared in Susan McElroy's NY Times best sellers, *Animals as Teachers & Healers* and *Animals as Guides for the Soul*. In 2012, Portland's BroadArts Theatre produced Jody's lesbian cowgirl musical, *Bunkin' With You in the Afterlife*. Jody's most recent book, a screamingly funny memoir called *Dead in a Ditch*, is about a childhood full of double-dog dares. If Jody Seay's face seems familiar, it's because she hosted the Oregon TV show about writers, *BACK PAGE*, for ten years. Learn more at [jodyseay.com](http://jodyseay.com).



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## ALEXIS M. SMITH

Alexis M. Smith was born and raised in the Pacific Northwest. Her debut novel, *Glaciers*, was a finalist for the Ken Kesey Award for Fiction, and was both a Barnes & Noble Discover and a World Book Night 2013 selection. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt will publish her second novel, *Marrow Island*, in 2016. Alexis attended Mount Holyoke College and Portland State University, and holds an MFA from Goddard College. Her interests include trail running, beach combing, bird watching, and jam making. She is 2015 Oregon Arts Commission Fellow. Learn more at [www.alexismsmith.com](http://www.alexismsmith.com).



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## CHRISTINA STRUYK-BONN

Chris Struyk-Bonn has detassled corn, worked in a small motor-parts factory, framed pictures, served in various and sundry restaurants and labored in an egg factory. She is currently a high school English teacher in Portland, Oregon, and has at last found a job she thoroughly enjoys. *Whisper*, her first book, was a YA finalist for the Oregon Book Awards. Learn more at [www.chrisstruykbonn.com](http://www.chrisstruykbonn.com).



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## GEORGE BYRON WRIGHT

George was born in The Dalles, Oregon, lived there until age seven, followed by short periods in Baker City, Tillamook and Roseburg. After a career in the nonprofit sector, he began work on novels set in those towns of his youth. His first novel, *Baker City 1948*, was followed by *Tillamook 1952*, and *Roseburg 1959*. George then moved on to contemporary fiction with his fourth novel, *Driving to Vernonia* before writing *Newport Blues*, *A Salesman's Lament*. *In the Wake of Our Misdeed* is his sixth novel. He and his wife Betsy live in Portland. Learn more at [www.c3publications.com](http://www.c3publications.com).



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An OREGON AUTHOR TOUR: 8 TOWNS • 8 BOOKSTORES • 8 EVENTS, and 27 AMAZING AUTHORS

### EUGENE

**September 12, 2015 • 3:00 p.m.**  
Eugene Public Library  
100 W 10th Avenue  
Eugene, OR 97401  
The Duck Store

### SALEM

**September 24, 2015 • 7:00 p.m.**  
Salem Public Library  
585 Liberty Street SE  
Salem, OR 97301  
The Book Bin

### STAYTON

**October 22, 2015 • 7:00 p.m.**  
Stayton Public Library  
515 N First Avenue  
Stayton, OR 97383  
Friends of the Library Used Book Store

### BEAVERTON

**November 5, 2015 • 7:00 p.m.**  
Beaverton City Library  
12375 SW 5th Street  
Beaverton, OR 97005  
Jacobsen's Books

### COTTAGE GROVE

**September 18, 2015 • 6:00 p.m.**  
Cottage Grove Public Library  
700 E Gibbs Avenue  
Cottage Grove, OR 97424  
Books on Main

### CORVALLIS

**October 15, 2015 • 7:00 p.m.**  
Corvallis-Benton County Public Library  
645 NW Monroe Avenue  
Corvallis, OR 97330  
Grass Roots Books

### SEASIDE

**October 29, 2015 • 6:00 p.m.**  
Seaside Public Library  
1131 Broadway Street  
Seaside, OR 97138  
Beach Books

### ALBANY

**November 14, 2015 • 2:00 p.m.**  
Albany Public Library  
2450 14th Avenue SE  
Albany, OR 97322  
Grass Roots Books