

# AUTHORS ON STAGE

Wednesday, May 4, 2016

Coffee 9:45 a.m. Program 10:30 a.m.

Wellesley College Club

Celebrating our 36<sup>th</sup> year  
of presenting Authors on Stage  
to benefit the Wellesley College Library

## Barry Meier

### *MISSING MAN: The American Spy Who Vanished in Iran*

Barry Meier draws on years of interviews and never before disclosed CIA files for his riveting narrative of Robert Levinson's journey to Iran and the hunt (still active) to rescue him. This extraordinary tale of espionage moves through exotic locales. "With the pace and tension of a classic thriller . . . Meier gives us a true story of the human beings behind the headlines of Middle Eastern turmoil. A great, highly recommended read." (James Brady) Barry Meier, finalist for a Pulitzer-Prize and a two-time winner of the George Polk Award, is an investigative reporter for *The New York Times*.

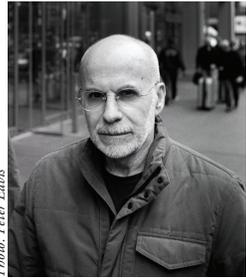


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## Jim Lynch

### *BEFORE THE WIND*

Jim Lynch grew up in the world of sailors, and his new novel is a grand saga of the sailing-obsessed Johannssen family, where the past and the present merge seamlessly and collide surprisingly. Advance praise includes, "A cautionary tale of obsession and what it can cost tells of three generations whose devotion to sailing holds them together until it sunders them." (*Kirkus Reviews*, starred) and "Not since the fly-fishing clan of *A River Runs Through It* have I encountered such a compellingly human fictional family." (Howard Frank Moshier) Jim Lynch lives in Olympia, Washington.



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## Laura Claridge

### *THE LADY WITH THE BORZOI: Blanche Knopf, Literary Tastemaker Extraordinaire*

Blanche Knopf began her career when she founded Alfred A. Knopf with her husband in 1915. With her finger on the pulse of a rapidly changing culture, she became a driving force behind the firm that defined much of American literature in the 20th century. "...a meticulous, groundbreaking biography . . . illuminates a radiant facet of American publishing and women's history as she portrays Blanche Knopf in all her brainy and aesthetic glory and elegant fortitude." (*Booklist*, starred review) Laura Claridge's prior books include biographies of Emily Post and Norman Rockwell. She lives in New York State.



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#### Authors on Stage Wednesday, May 4, 2016

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