

Guide to the Virtually Yours Weekend Author Sessions

All times are Central Time. All sessions will take place via a video chat platform. Links will be emailed to you a few days before the Virtually Yours Weekend begins. Please note: If you enable your webcam, your username and likeness might be visible to others during these sessions and after the event.

Fri. Oct. 15, 3:00 pm – 3:45 pm



ELLA QUINN

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Ask anything you want, from books to sailing.

Fri. Oct. 15, 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm



SKYE WARREN & AMELIA WILDE

Romance Jeopardy

Win signed books and other prizes during this fun, interactive game! Test your knowledge of tropes and get great recommendations for what to read next.

Fri. Oct. 15, 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm



SUSAN CARLISLE

Making a Net Mesh Wreath

Learn how to create a mesh net wreath from the beginning to hanging it proudly. If you would like to put together your wreath along with me, please have on hand:

Wire Wreath Frame 10 yards Mesh Ribbon Package of Pipe Cleaners (aka chenille sticks) in the same color as the ribbon Sharp Scissors Fri. Oct. 15, 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm



ABIGAIL OWEN & SASHA SUMMERS

Let's Talk about Romance Genres, Baby!

Fri. Oct. 15, 7:00 pm - 7:45 pm



JANNA MACGREGOR

Consanguinity and Affinity — Brother, Sisters, and Cousins — One of These Things is Not Like the Others in Regency Marriages

Under the Church of England's rules of consanguinity and affinity, a brother couldn't marry his brother's widow. Nor could a sister marry her sister's widower. Yet they could marry first cousins. But what about step-brothers and step-sisters? Do these rules apply in the blended families of yesteryears? We'll take a look at a few real-life brave couples who challenged the Church of England and the laws that stood in the way of their true love and happiness. We'll compare the marriages that take place in A Duke in Time and the fabulous Lorraine Heath's The Earl Takes All: A Hellions of Havisham Novel (The Hellions of Havisham Book 2). Moderator: Alexandra Haughton Fri. Oct. 15, 7:00 pm – 7:45 pm



EMMA LEE JAYNE & KAT BAXTER

Delicious Treats – Both Edible & Readable

Writing partners, Emma and Kat, will talk books, writing, and desserts, while Emma makes her "famous" <clears throat> banana rum sundaes. Recipes will be shared! Cookies will be eaten! Excerpts may be read (if there are no questions) ... basically, we will fill the time and be witty, to boot! Moderator: Lorraine Heath

Fri. Oct. 15, 8:00 pm - 8:45 pm



TRACY WOLFF

Halloween Happy Hour

Join me as I share recipes for a few cocktails and mocktails while we chat about sexy vampires (and other creatures that get our hearts to pumping faster). Moderator: Lorraine Heath Fri. Oct. 15, 11:00 pm – 11:45 pm



SUZANNE FERRELL

The Night Shift

Get comfy and let's chat about favorite heroes and romances that kept us up all night reading.

End of Friday Sessions

Keep scrolling for the fun Saturday sessions!

Just a reminder ...

During the #VirtuallyYoursWeekend, you will have a chance to bid on fabulous auction items and purchase raffle tickets for the amazing quilt & a one-of-a-kind charm bracelet with charms provided by some of the authors.

You can also purchase books by our Buns & Roses authors at <u>bunsandroses.org</u>. They will be shipped to you following the event. Many will include signed bookplates. A portion of the proceeds benefit RALC. Sat. Oct. 16, 9:00 am - 9:45 am



ALEXANDRA HAUGHTON

It Takes Balls . . . of Yarn

Bring your WIP to sit and stitch a while with other romance fans for an easy, laid back virtual session. We'll chat books, ooh and aah over fibers and projects in Show & Tell, and generally have a great time together. Knitters, happy hookers (aka crocheters), and embroiderers of any skill and experience level are welcome—or just come with a cuppa and chat!

Sat. Oct. 16, 9:00 am - 9:45 am



LAURA CASTORO

Fast and Fabulous Fare for a Church Social

Join me for a cooking class as I make Hattie's Peach Turnovers & Earline's Amazing Lemonade. There will be a drawing for a Church-Lady charm bracelet with charms I created myself. Sat. Oct. 16, 10:00 am - 10:45 am



DIANE KELLY

The Appalachian Tale

Mountains, moonshine, and more -I'll discuss the joys of writing stories set in one of America's most beautiful regions

Sat. Oct. 16, 10:00 am - 10:45 am



ERICA RIDLEY & JANNA MACGREGOR

The Truth About Regency House Parties

We will dish fact from fiction when it comes to Regency house parties, answering all your questions and chatting with you about our favorite books with this fun, classic trope!

Sat. Oct. 16, 11:00 am – 11:45 am



ELLA QUINN, KATE BATEMAN, LAUREN SMITH, & VIVIENNE LORRET

All Things Historical Romance

We'll talk about historical romance, interesting things we've had to research, and encourage readers to join in with questions and comments.

Sat. Oct. 16, 11:00 am – 11:45 am



PRISCILLA OLIVERAS

Happy Hour Dance Lesson, Latinx Style

Learn the basic bachata and merengue dance steps & try them out in the comfort of your living room.

Sat. Oct. 16, noon – 12:45 pm



ELLA QUINN

European Travel Adventure

Join me in a chat about traveling Western Europe.

Sat. Oct. 16, noon – 12:45 pm



NIKOO & JIM MCGOLDRICK (WE'LL BRING ALONG NIK JAMES & MAY MCGOLDRICK)

Secrets of Successful Writing Teams: How to Avoid Bloodshed When Writing a Book With a Partner

We're not only talking about writing. After fifty books and forty years of togetherness, we have a few tips to offer on relationships, too. God help us! Moderator: Lorraine Heath Sat. Oct. 16, 1:00 pm — 1:45 pm



HEATHER GRAHAM & CATHY MAXWELL

Everything You've Always Wanted to Know About Heather Graham

Have questions for Heather that you've always wanted answered? Now is your chance. Complete the form at <u>https://bit.ly/2VgIqyq</u>. Cathy will add it to the pool of questions she's always wanted to ask one of her role models: the incomparable Heather Graham.

Sat. Oct. 16, 2:00 pm – 2:45 pm



SUSAN CARLISLE

The Art of Taking Afternoon Tea

You are cordially invited to join me for afternoon tea. I will show and talk about items for having tea along with the correct etiquette.

Sat. Oct. 16, 2:00 pm – 2:45 pm



PIPER HUGULEY

The Secret to Sweet Tea

I'll walk you through the creation of my father's famous sweet tea recipe.

Sat. Oct. 16, 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm



KATE BATEMAN

Scones and Scandal: Great British Baking with Kate

Make foolproof English scones in a live cooking session with British author Kate Bateman as we chat about all things historical. Either sit back and watch as I make scones or come ready to bake and follow along at home as I guide you through the easy steps to make this delicious staple for the perfect English Afternoon tea! As we cook, you can ask me anything, and we'll discuss our favorite historical romances, heroes, and heroines.

If you're planning to cook, you will need:

2 eggs 1 cup milk (any kind, 2% is good) 1 stick butter (either salted or unsalted) CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE... 3 ¹/₂ cups self-rising flour 5 tablespoons sugar A handful of dried fruit (optional – such as cherries, sultanas, raisins, zante currants, golden raisins, etc.) Pinch of salt

Also need: Mixing bowl, rolling pin, circular cookie cutter, oven! Pastry brush (optional)

Sat. Oct. 16, 3:00 pm – 3:45 pm



NIK JAMES (NIKOO & JIM MCGOLDRICK)

Kick-ass Women of the Old West

Join us for a discussion of the kick-ass women of the old west.

Sat. Oct. 16, 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm



CANDACE HAVENS

It's a Mystery

Let's chat about and share our favorite mystery books & authors.

Sat. Oct. 16, 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm



ERICA RIDLEY

Behind the Scenes with the Wild Wynchesters

I'll peel back the curtain and show how this fun, critically-acclaimed Regency series went from a glimmer in my eye to bookstores everywhere. You'll even get to see secret, behind-thescenes shots of cover models and mockups. I'll answer any and all questions about my books, my process, my Regency wedding, life in Costa Rica, or anything at all you'd like to chat about. Grand Central editorial director Leah Hultenschmidt will also pop in as a special guest!

Sat. Oct. 16, 5:00 pm - 5:45 pm



ANDIE J. CHRISTOPHER, ANGELINA M. LOPEZ, PRISCILLA OLIVERAS

Raising a Glass to Sexy Contemporary Romance

Pour yourself a glass of your favorite drink and join us high-heat contemporary romance authors as we chat about what we love about writing and reading smexy books! Moderator: Alexandra Haughton

Sat. Oct 16, 5:00 pm – 5:45 pm



TERRI OSBURN & LORRAINE HEATH

Reading Salon

Sit back & relax as we read passages from our latest releases.

Sat. Oct. 16, 6:00 pm – 6:45 pm



KATE BATEMAN

Regency Antiques Show and Tell

Join me for a virtual Antiques Show and Tell – Regency Edition. Pour yourself a glass of ratafia (or wine!) and play along with my "Guess the Object" quiz and win antique gaming chips as prizes. From tea caddies to scent bottles, these are the items you've read about in all your favorite historical romances! (Warning – may include items of a scandalous nature!)

Sat. Oct. 16, 6:00 pm – 6:45 pm



ANDIE J. CHRISTOPHER & ALEXANDRA HAUGHTON

Drunk (Romance) History

We'll have a cocktail or two while Alexandra tells Andie about a bananas romance.

Sat. Oct 16, 7:00 pm - 8:15 pm



FARRAH ROCHON & PRISCILLA OLIVERAS

Romancelandia Games

Join us for an evening of Romancelandia-themed games and conversation. It might be Taboo or Pictionary or Would You Rather or something else equally as fun that everyone can play together...count on the fact that we are excited spend some time with you! Come ready to play and ask any book/author life questions...Let the games begin! Sat. Oct. 16, 8:30 pm – 9:30 pm



ADDISON FOX & LORRAINE HEATH

Reading Between the Wines

We're going to pair our favorite wines with our favorite reads. Feel free to bring a favorite wine and join us. We'll discuss white, rosé and red during our session so feel free to grab a personal favorite. (And if you only prefer white or rosé or red, bring it along - we promise you'll still have fun!!)

If you'd like a more curated list, may we suggest one of the following. All of these wines should be pretty widely available but feel free to substitute a favorite or something you've found in your area:

Sauvignon Blanc — Kim Crawford Chardonnay — Hahn or Charles Krug Rosé — Whispering Angel or Josh Merlot — Simi Cabernet — Franciscanor Chateau St Michelle

We'd also suggest you have some crackers, your favorite cheese slices and some chocolate on hand as well. Enjoying food in between wine can cleanse the palette. (As if chocolate needed a reason for being!!)

Sat. Oct. 16, 11:00 – 11:45 pm



LORRAINE HEATH

Pillow Talk

Readers never go to bed alone. Let's discuss the book boyfriends we carry into our dreams.

End of Saturday Sessions

All ticket holders are cordially invited to ...

The Buns & Roses Romance Tea for Literacy

Sunday 2:00 - 5:00 pm

Includes a chat with Featured Author Heather Graham, small group chats with authors, a presentation by an RALC student, and more!

A link to the event, an agenda, and a program will be e-mailed to attendees before the event begins.

And don't forget ...

During the #VirtuallyYoursWeekend, you will have a chance to bid on **fabulous auction items** and purchase **raffle tickets** for the amazing quilt and a one-of-a-kind charm bracelet with charms provided by some of the Buns & Roses authors.

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