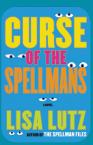
The Gershman Y Presents...

Get Lit @ The Gershman Y

The Gershman Y is proud to present a new and unique author event series. Join us for an intimate conversation between one of our hosts – **Gerald Kolpan** of Fox29 and **Carlin Romano** of *The Philadelphia Inquirer* – and a visiting author. Then stay for a light reception after the event!

Thursday, March 13, 7pm, \$15

Lisa Lutz talks about CURSE OF THE SPELLMANS, the follow up to her national bestseller THE SPELLMAN FILES. With her characteristic "whip-smart sass" (*People Magazine*), Lutz offers another hilarious peek into the casebook of unconventional, recalcitrant private eye Isabel Spellman. -Hosted by **Gerald Kolpan**





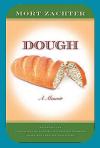
Monday, April 7, 7pm, \$15

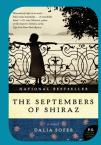
Joshua Henkin's novel MATRIMONY was one of The

New York Times' Notable Books of 2007. Michael Cunningham called it "a brilliant book," and Henkin will talk about his representation of what it means to share one's life with another, about love and friendship, about money and ambition, and about desire and the tensions of faith. -Hosted by **Carlin Romano**

Wednesday, April 16, 7pm, \$15

Mort Zachter always dreamed of being a writer, from growing up in a Brooklyn tenement through his successful career as an accountant. His memoir DOUGH recounts the shocking discovery at age 36 that he was heir to several million dollars amassed by his eccentric, baker uncles – and how this legacy changed not only Zachter's future path, but also his understanding of who his family was and where he was from. -Hosted by **Gerald Kolpan**





Wednesday, May 28, 7pm, \$15

Novelist **Dalia Sofer** was born in Iran and fled at the age of ten to the United States with her family. Her critically acclaimed novel THE SEPTEMBERS OF SHIRAZ tells the story of a Iranian rare-gem dealer wrongfully arrested and accused of being a spy, and his family's quest to find him. The novel examines questions of identity, alienation, and love and desire for the intangible place called home.

-Hosted by Carlin Romano

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Great authors in conversation with our hosts:

Gerald Kolpan is a longtime features reporter at Philadelphia's Fox29, and his own debut novel, *Etta*, imagines the life of the eponymous woman who traveled with Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, and will be published in 2009.

Carlin Romano is the literary critic for *The Philadelphia Inquirer*, and a critic-at-large for the *Chronicle of Higher Education*. He is a member and past president of the National Book Critics Circle, and he has taught at numerous institutions, including Yale, Harvard, Temple, and the University of Pennsylvania.



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