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Berkeley Public Library's Local Places...Sacred Spaces... Presents Fearless Books, a Daring New Spirit in Publishing

The Berkeley Public Library's Series *Local Places...Sacred Spaces...* presents a **free reading of works from Fearless Books on Saturday, November 20, from 2 - 4 p.m.** The reading will take place in the Central Library's 3rd floor Community Meeting Room, 2090 Kittredge (at Shattuck). *Fearless Books*, a daring and independent Berkeley literary publisher founded in 1997, publishes fiction, poetry (including a new venture, the Fearless Poetry Series), and has originated spiritual classics such as the bestseller, *THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE UNIVERSE* by Gary Renard, and *THE BOOK OF PRACTICAL FAITH* (named "one of the best spiritual books in print") written by Fearless Books founder, D. Patrick Miller. Our latest publication is *A TASTE OF GRACE: Meditations and Recipes for a Fulfilling Life* by Elizabeth Griffin. Come hear and meet our local authors, and please join us for a spirited Q & A and free refreshments after the reading.

Featured local authors include Sari Friedman, Alan Bern, Joan Gelfand, Wendy Patrice Williams, Max Reif, D. Patrick Miller, and Connie Cronin reading their own work and that of other Fearless authors, some of whom live as far away as Norway and Australia. Several Fearless authors have won national awards.

Additional Q & A after the reading will be hosted by the Fearless Books founder, D. Patrick Miller, who will talk about how to get published in the current market, the role of independent publishers in keeping literature alive outside the bestseller-driven mainstream, and the new and fast-changing publishing options available to independent authors.

Future programs being planned for the Series *Local Places...Sacred Spaces...* include: local author of *Sacred Mountains of the World* Edwin Bernbaum on Sacred Mountains along with a Preview of *TERRACES*, a new collaboration by PACES, dance and poetry fit to the space; Laura McCreery on her newly released book *Living Landscape* (<http://www.livinglandscape.net/>); the Berkeley Pathwanderers with a presentation on local paths (<http://www.berkeleypaths.org/>) along with local parks activist, philosopher, and Environmental & Sustainability Planner John Steere talking about local sacred spaces.

For questions regarding this program, call 510-981-6107 or 510-849-4028. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Berkeley Public Library. For accessibility information, call 510-981-6107, TTY (510) 528-1240, <http://berkeleypubliclibrary.org>.

THE LIGHT IN ORDINARY THINGS, Vol. One of the Fearless Poetry Series -- Poetry Anthology
TOUCHING: Poems of Love, Longing, and Desire, Vol. Two of the Fearless Poetry Series - Forthcoming Poetry Anthology

A TASTE OF GRACE: Meditations and Recipes for a Fulfilling Life by Elizabeth Griffin

THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE UNIVERSE by Gary Renard (originally published by Fearless, 2003; subsequently published by Hay House)

And by D. Patrick Miller:

THE WAY OF FORGIVENESS

THE BOOK OF PRACTICAL FAITH (named "One of the best spiritual books in print")

MY JOURNEY THROUGH THE PLANT WORLD (fiction)

LOVE AFTER LIFE (fiction)

INSTRUCTIONS OF THE SPIRIT (poetry)

UNDERSTANDING A COURSE IN MIRACLES (originally published by Fearless, subsequently published by Ten Speed / Random House)

LIVING WITH MIRACLES (forthcoming from Tarcher / Penguin, May 2011)

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