



House of SpeakEasy

SERIOUSLY ENTERTAINING

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UPDATED : House of SpeakEasy: April 28th Line-Up

Acclaimed Poet JD McClatchy Joins Best-Selling Author Amor Towles in Literary Cabaret at City Winery

New York, NY, April 28th, 2014 - Seriously Entertaining, New York's sparkling new monthly literary cabaret, hits literary gold once again with an outstanding lineup for their **April 28th** show at City Winery, Soho at 8pm. April's Seriously Entertaining show presents NYT journalist, author, and acclaimed explorer of the mysteries of women's desires, **Daniel Bergner**, Pulitzer Prize nominated poet, critic, editor and liberettist, **JD McClatchy**, Dylan Thomas prize winning novelist and Californian tour de force, **Maggie Shipstead**, novelist and breakthrough best seller, **Amor Towles** and one of Granta's best young British writers, **Evie Wyld**. Both **Shipstead** and **Wyld**'s most recent novels have just been published in the USA. The format presents each writer onstage for 15 minutes – unedited and unbound – riffing, ruminating or reacting to April's theme: **In Case of Emergency**. This follows Seriously Entertaining's sold-out March 18th show, **Are you for Sale?**, featuring Susan Cheever, Michael Friedman, Jeff Kinney, Kate Mosse and Michael Reidel with Oscar winning writer and director Paul Haggis hosting the literary quiz, Tip of My Tongue.

The brainchild of Amanda Foreman and Lucas Wittmann, House of SpeakEasy is a new non-profit arts initiative that unites cultural entertainment with community outreach. Founded in 2013, SpeakEasy's core mission is to develop and nurture new ways of bringing writers and audiences together while recognizing and sustaining the economic value of ideas and writing. Each Seriously Entertaining show brings an outstanding roster of writers from across the literary arts—fiction, nonfiction, stage, film, television, music and poetry— together for a night celebrating words, verse and song. SpeakEasy writers receive 50% of the door of each show. SpeakEasy's mandate also includes borough wide community outreach programs. These include SpeakFreely, an initiative to bring teachers and students free of charge to Seriously Entertaining events; and A Writer in Every Classroom, a program that takes Seriously Entertaining writers to NYC public middle and high schools.

Produced by House of SpeakEasy, Seriously Entertaining is a monthly literary cabaret presenting the best writers of today, in a dinner-theater setting, for a night of serious entertainment and intellectual fun.

Press tickets available.

Tickets start at \$25 and are available at www.houseofspeakeasy.org

Tuesday April 28th, 2014

6pm door / 8pm show

Food and wine available for purchase

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