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Neil Gaiman (Photograph Courtesy of MasterClass)Art Spiegelman (Credit Enno Kapitza-Agentur Focus)

Orange County Library System presents Neil Gaiman in conversation with Art Spiegelman

ORLANDO, FL, July 17, 2023 – Orange County Library System welcomes international bestselling author Neil Gaiman, in conversation with celebrated cartoonist Art Spiegelman, to Orlando on November 6, 2023. The acclaimed authors will discuss cartooning and writing, working across artistic mediums, friendship, identity and more. The program is presented as part of the library's 100 Year Celebration.

The event, which is sponsored by Friends of the Orange County Library System, will be held at Steinmetz Hall in the Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts.

Neil Gaiman is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Coraline, American Gods, Stardust* and *The Sandman* series of comics. His work has won numerous awards, including the Bram Stoker, Nebula and Hugo awards, and has been adapted to film, television, radio and stage productions. In 2023, *Time* magazine named him one of the 100 most influential people in the world.

Art Spiegelman is the creator of *Maus, Breakdowns* and *In the Shadow of No Towers*, and is an outspoken proponent for both the medium of comic books and freedom of speech. *Maus*, the gripping tale of Spiegelman's father's experiences surviving the Holocaust, was the first graphic novel to win the Pulitzer Prize.

The event will take place at 8 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2023, at the Dr. Phillips Center's Steinmetz Hall, one of the world's most acoustically perfect spaces. Tickets for the event go on sale on Friday, August 11, through the <u>Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts website</u>. A limited number of signed copies of select books by the authors will be available for sale at the event.

Details about the event, ticketing information and more can be found at ocls.info/signatureauthors.

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