

David Baldacci - Headliner at One for the Books - receives Literacy Leadership Award!

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Best-selling novelist, David Baldacci, who will be headlining LCNV's One for the Books gala, was awarded a Leadership Literacy Award this past September 12, 2012.

The National Coalition for Literacy (NCL) hosted its Annual Literacy Leadership Award celebration in honor of National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week. NCL recognized Baldacci as an "individual who has made extraordinary national contributions to improving adult education, literacy, and English language learning in the US." NCL also recognized Ruth J. Colvin, Save Adult Ed Campaign, and US Senator Jim Webb (D-VA).

In addition to being a successful author, Baldacci is also an advocate for adult education. Baldacci and his wife founded the **Wish You Well Foundation**, which supports family and adult literacy in the United States by fostering and promoting the development and expansion of new and existing literacy and educational programs.

In the spirit of literacy advocacy, Baldacci will be supporting the Literacy Council of Northern Virginia on October 3, 2012, at the One for the Books gala, which celebrates LCNV's 50th year of bringing much needed literacy services to Northern Virginia. Celebrity chef José Andrés, top-ranked financial advisor Ric Edelman, and non-profit leader Robert Egger will be joining the celebration in support of literacy. Baldacci, and his fellow headliners will sign their books, and highlight the issues that illiterate adults face in our region.

Join LCNV and its supporters at One for the Books. LCNV will also hold a raffle for a week at a beautiful villa - **Calypso del Sol** - on St. John. To learn more and purchase tickets visit <http://www.lcnv.org/events/one-books>.

ONE FOR THE BOOKS

WHEN: October 3, 2012 | 6:30pm to 9:00pm

WHERE: George Washington Masonic Memorial | 101 Callahan Dr. | Alexandria, VA 22301

*The event menu is inspired by José Andrés and catering will be provided by Fresh Start Catering.

For more information, please contact Suzie Eaton at 703-237-0866 ext. 109 or seaton@lcnv.org.



Above (Left-to-Right): Gary Edwards, Former President of the LCNV Board; Patricia Donnelly, LCNV's Executive Director; and David Baldacci and his wife, Michelle.



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