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6 JULY, THURSDAY 7:30pm.

Caitlin Macy's highly anticipated first novel *The Fundamentals of Play* tells the story of five young lives bound together by matters of money, class, love, and work. Tonight she joins us to read from her novel.

7 JULY, FRIDAY 7:30pm

Its time once again for our monthly **Open Mike Poetry Night**. Join host **Don O'Keefe**for an evening of the best up and coming poetry in New York's legendary Greenwich Village. If you want to share your poetry with us, then come early because sign-up begins at 6:45pm sharp, and space is limited.

JULY, MONDAY 7:30pm

Tonight, **Michele Serros** reads from her new novel *How To Be a Chicana Role Model*, the fiercely funny tale of a Chicana writer who's trying to find a way to embrace two very different cultures without losing touch with who she is.

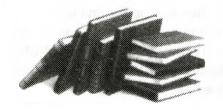
JULY, WEDNESDAY 7:30pm

Monica Strauss fashions a complex and captivating look at Frida Strindberg in her new book *Cruel Banquet: The Life and Loves of Frida Strindberg.*This is the extraordinary story of the woman who helped define the avant-garde movement at the turn of the century.



JULY, THURSDAY 7:30pm

New York poet **Don Yorty** joins us tonight to read from his engaging debut novel *What Night Forgets*. The work evoking the freewheeling seventies follows the five day spiritual journey of John, a twenty-something poet who travels to Oaxaca, Mexico.



JULY, TUESDAY 7:30pm

This year Halloween comes early to Astor Place. Be prepared for a harrowing literary treat as bestselling horror master **Peter Straub** joins us tonight to read from his latest collection of stories *Magic Terror*.

JULY, WEDNESDAY 7:30pm

When Pilot comes home to take care of his aging mother, he becomes determined to find out what happened to his sister who disappeared twenty years earlier. Find out what happens in the brilliant thriller *Raveling* by **Peter Moore Smith** when he comes to Astor Place tonight.

JULY, THURSDAY 7:30pm

Were You Always an Italian?
Ancestors and Other Icons of
Italian America by Maria
Laurino is a thoughtful,
penetrating, and hilarious
examination of third generation
ethnic identity. This is an event
no Italian-American should miss.

JULY, FRIDAY 7:30pm

Tonight our **Great Books Reading Group** hosted by **Mark Matthews** will discuss DH
Lawrence's *Women in Love*.

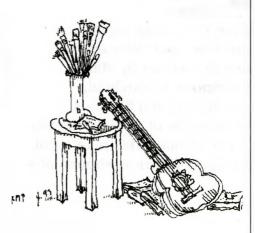


JULY, TUESDAY 7:30pm

Where should one draw the line between common chicanery, and genuine spiritual gifts? This is a lesson Naomi, the protagonist of **Rhian Ellis**'s new novel *After Life*, is forced to learn in the small New York state community of Train Line. Tonight the author reads from her novel.

JULY, WEDNESDAY 7:30pm

Akhil Sharma is the first of two exciting authors to join us tonight. He will read from his novel *An Obedient Father* which is an astonishing portrait of a family in India. Also joining us is **Daniel Villasenor**, whose new novel *The Lake* is an is an exquisite debut in the tradition of the finest American writers of the South and Southwest.



JULY, THURSDAY 7:30pm

With the dawn of the technological age, a new archetype has come to the forefront of our society: the geek. Everyone knows at least one geek, and now with the help of **Mikki Halpin**'s *The Geek Handbook* you too can learn to appreciate and yes, even love the geek in your life. Tonight the autor comes to discuss her book and help you understand your geek.

28 JULY, FRIDAY 7:30pm

Tonight Astor Place presents

Dark Matter: The Anthology of
Science Fiction, Fantasy, and
Speculative Fiction by Black
Writers. Our panel tonight will
include editor Sheree R.

Thomas and contributors Linda
Addison, Ama Patterson, and
Kiini Ibura Salaam. Join us for
a discussion of the past, present,
and future of the black dispora.



Join us every Monday night at 7:30pm for Storytime.

Throughout the Month...

Artist **Efrain Toro**'s work will be on display throughout the store.

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