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THE QUEEN CITY CELEBRATES ALL THINGS "BRIDGERTON" WITH SERIES AUTHOR JULIA QUINN

History Museum and Library join together to bring award-winning author to Charlotte on February 15

CHARLOTTE, N.C., Dec. 11, 2024 – Fans of the "Bridgerton" books and the Netflix series it inspired can celebrate all things Bridgerton on Saturday, Feb. 15, when New York Times best-selling author Julia Quinn comes to the Queen City.

"Bridgerton" enthusiasts will have two opportunities to meet Quinn on Feb. 15. They can attend a free author Q&A with Charlotte Mecklenburg Library midday at Queens University or join the author that evening at the Charlotte Museum of History for a party inspired by the glitz and glamour of Quinn's Regency-era novels.

With over 40 books to her name and a role as executive producer on Netflix's "Queen Charlotte: A Bridgerton Story," Julia Quinn has earned acclaim for her richly detailed storytelling, vibrant characters, and the immersive worlds she creates within her Regency romances.

"Quinn is one of the most celebrated and prolific authors of romance literature, and we're excited to present this opportunity to our reading and TV-streaming customers who enjoy this genre," said Marcellus Turner, CEO of Charlotte Mecklenburg Library. "This free event will allow the public a chance to engage in conversation with a New York Times bestseller, a unique experience that supports the Library's goal of fostering community engagement and indulging in the pure joy of a historical romantic escape."

"The Charlotte Museum of History is all about making history fun and accessible, and nobody does that better than Julia Quinn," said Terri L. White, president and CEO of the Charlotte Museum of History.

"Not to mention that Quinn's novels share stories based on the life of our city's namesake, Queen Charlotte. We are excited to present Queen Charlotte's Ball & Banquet to celebrate the fashion, romance and history of the world of 'Bridgerton.'"

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Quinn is the author of 19 consecutive New York Times bestsellers, and her novels have been translated into 42 languages. In 2020, Netflix premiered "Bridgerton," based on her popular series. The streaming service has since released three seasons, with a fourth in production. Quinn co-wrote her newest novel with television pioneer Shonda Rhimes. It features Queen Charlotte and her husband King George III, focusing on their love story and how it sparked a societal shift. The novel was inspired by the original television series "Queen Charlotte: A Bridgerton Story," created by Shondaland for Netflix.

How to go

Parasols & Petticoats with Charlotte Mecklenburg Library at Queens University

Join Charlotte Mecklenburg Library at Queens University's Sarah Belk Gambrell Center for the Arts and Civic Engagement on Saturday, Feb. 15 from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. for an author talk and Q&A session with Julia Quinn. This event is free, though registration is required. Registration opens Monday, Jan. 6, at this link.

Queen Charlotte's Ball & Banquet

Queen Charlotte's Ball & Banquet is Saturday, Feb. 15 from 6-9 p.m. at the Charlotte Museum of History, with an optional VIP experience from 4:30-6 p.m. featuring an elegant reception and a meet-and-greet with Julia Quinn. Tickets are at charlottemuseum.org/events. Tickets purchased by Dec. 15 start at \$75.

The Ball & Banquet includes a string quartet, refreshments and light bites, Regency-era lawn games, a historical costume display that features a 'walk and talk' tour with the costume designer, and a historical costume competition. The evening culminates with a conversation with Julia Quinn to discuss the fashion, romance and history of "Bridgerton." All proceeds from the event support the mission of the Charlotte Museum of History to save and share Charlotte's history.

About Charlotte Mecklenburg Library:

Charlotte Mecklenburg Library is one of America's leading urban public libraries, serving a community of more than one million citizens in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. Through 21 locations, targeted outreach and online resources, the Library delivers exceptional services and programs, with a mission to improve lives and build a stronger community. For more, visit cmlibrary.org.



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The Charlotte Museum of History exists to save and share the Charlotte region's history, helping create a better understanding of the past and inspiring dialogue about the future. The museum is the steward of the 1774 Hezekiah Alexander Rock House and homesite, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is the oldest home in Mecklenburg County. The museum also is home to the historic Siloam School, which opened to the public as a historic site in summer 2024 after an eight-year fundraising and restoration effort. Visit charlottemuseum.org and follow the museum on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. The museum is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

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