

---

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING

April 13, 2009

Brandy Warren, 502-852-8025  
[Brandy.warren@louisville.edu](mailto:Brandy.warren@louisville.edu)

## **Best-selling author Sena Jeter Naslund To Speak at third annual Kentucky Women's Book Festival**

LOUISVILLE, Ky. – Sena Jeter Naslund, a New York Times best-selling author and novelist will be among speakers at the third annual Kentucky Women's Book Festival May 16 at the University of Louisville.

Writers and readers from the region are invited to the 9 a.m.-5 p.m. event, which offers sessions led by well-known and newly emerging female authors connected to Kentucky.

“This festival is for both people who like to read and people who want to learn to write,” said Robin Harris, a UofL law librarian who is co-chairing the event.

All sessions will take place in the new wing of UofL's Ekstrom Library

Naslund's talk, “When I Write a Woman, She Has Friends” will take place at the luncheon, 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the Silent Study Room in the library. Tickets for lunch are \$16 each and should be purchased in advance by calling the UofL Women's Center at 852-8976. Check and credit card payments are accepted.

Morning and afternoon sessions are free. Those sessions include:

- An opening keynote address led by Bethany Griffin, a Bullitt East High School teacher and author of the young adult novel "Handcuffs," 9:30 a.m.
- A closing address by Kate Larken, an author, publisher and founder of Motes Books, a Louisville-based publishing company, 4:15 p.m.

There will also be concurrent sessions on playwriting, children books, writing for a cause, writing as a career, poetry, writing history and book signings.

For more details, call the Women's Center at 502-852-8976 or visit <http://louisville.edu/womenscenter/kwbf> for a complete schedule.

###