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Author Kim Edwards to speak at the Kentucky Women's Book Festival

LOUISVILLE, Ky. – Kim Edwards, author of the best-selling novel, “The Memory Keeper’s Daughter,” will be among speakers at the second annual Kentucky Women’s Book Festival Feb. 16 at the University of Louisville.

Writers and readers from throughout the state are invited to the event, which offers sessions led by well-known 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 of the sessions will take place in the new wing of UofL’s Ekstrom Library except for the one led by Edwards. She will discuss her books at a luncheon from 12:15 p.m. to 2 p.m. at U of L’s University Club. Tickets to the luncheon are \$25 each for everyone except students with a valid U of L ID, who can attend free.

Those who plan to attend the luncheon are being asked to register online, Harris said. Tickets can be purchased singly or for a table of eight.

Other sessions include:

- An opening address led by Crystal Wilkinson of Indian Creek, Ky., author of “Water Street,” and “Blackberries, Blackberries,” who writes in a relatively new genre known as Affrilachian, 9:45 a.m.
- A session on how to translate historical research into film by Cameron Lawrence, Louisville documentary producer and former public radio host whose current project is “People of Freetowns,” 3:30p.m.
- A closing address by Betty Winston Baye, a Louisville Courier-Journal columnist who moved to Kentucky from Brooklyn in the mid-1980s, 4:30p.m.

For more details, call KWBF co-chair Mary Karen Powers at 502-852-8976 or see: <http://louisville.edu/womenscenter/events/kentucky-womens-book-festival.html>.

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