

Presenting A Civic Festival

JOHN UPDIKE, KURT VONNEGUT  
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*Spirit & Place*  
A Gathering of Voices

Thinking Out Loud About  
Indianapolis

November 17 & 18, 1996

Sunday, November 17

**A Gathering of Voices...  
at the Library**

Indianapolis authors Barbara Shoup and Rabbi Sandy Sasso read from their work and discuss the role of religion and spirituality across generations, with a special emphasis on youth.

**2:00 - 4:00 pm**

*Central Library, Cropsey Auditorium  
40 E. St. Clair*

*Sponsored by the Indianapolis-Marion County  
Public Library*

**Spiritual Autobiography**

Dan Wakefield discusses his approach to finding a compelling, personal language for spiritual experience.

**2:00 - 3:00 pm**

*Marian College campus, Stokely Mansion  
3200 Cold Spring Rd.*

*Sponsored by Marian College*

**A Public Conversation With  
John Updike, Kurt Vonnegut,  
and Dan Wakefield**

**Spirit and Place:**

**A Gathering of Voices**

Three remarkable writers meet on stage to discuss the sense of place and the human spirit, drawing on their life experience as transmitters of modern culture and on their knowledge of Indianapolis.

**5:00 - 6:30 pm**

*Butler University campus  
Clowes Hall, 4600 Sunset Blvd.*

*Sponsored by THE POLIS CENTER Project  
on Religion and Urban Culture*

Monday, November 18

**Spirituality and Children's Literature  
With Rabbi Sandy Sasso**

Why is it important to talk to children about issues of faith and spirituality? Rabbi Sasso, author of several children's books discusses how to answer children's questions about spirituality in nurturing ways.

**11:00 am - 12:30 pm**

*Christian Theological Seminary campus  
Shelton Auditorium  
1000 W. 42nd St.*

*Sponsored by the Christian  
Theological Seminary*

**Writing Locally: Spirit and Place in Indiana  
With Michael Martone  
and Scott Russell Sanders**

Two Indiana writers discuss the search for spirituality in the context of a particular place—Indiana.

**1:00 - 2:00 pm**

*Indiana University Purdue University  
Indianapolis*

*University Library Auditorium*

*755 W. Michigan*

*Sponsored by IUPUI*

**Spirituality and Creativity: An Open  
Conversation With John Updike  
and Dan Wakefield**

Updike and Wakefield meet for a public discussion on the theological implications of contemporary literature.

**3:00 - 4:30 pm**

*University of Indianapolis campus  
DeHaan Center*

*1400 E. Hanna Au.*

*Sponsored by the University of Indianapolis*

**Indiana Writers Gathering:  
Spirit, Place, and History**

Michael Martone, Susan Neville, Scott Russell Sanders, and David Hoppe continue discussion of the festival's theme from the perspective of contributing writers to an upcoming anthology on Spirit and Place to be published as part of THE POLIS CENTER'S Project on Religion and Urban Culture.

**5:00 - 7:00 pm**

*Indiana State Library Building  
First Floor Auditorium*

*Sponsored by the Indiana Historical Society*

**John Updike**

Visiting novelist and poet Updike will present a reading from his works.

**7:30 - 9:00 pm**

*Butler University Campus  
Clowes Hall, Krannert Room  
4600 Sunset Blvd.*

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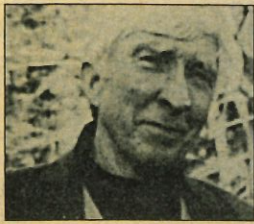
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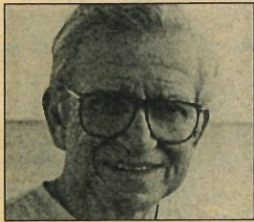
◦ JOHN UPDIKE ◦

was born in Shillington, Pennsylvania. He has written 14 novels, as well as collections of poetry, short stories, and nonfiction. He has won the Pulitzer Prize, the National Book Award, the American Book Award, and the National Book Critics Circle Award.



◦ KURT VONNEGUT ◦

was born in Indianapolis, the son and grandson of Indianapolis architects. A member of the National Institute of Arts and Letters, he was recipient of their Literary Award in 1970. His works include novels, plays, short stories, and nonfiction.



◦ DAN WAKEFIELD ◦

was born in Indianapolis in 1932. Since then, he has written nonfiction, fiction, and for both movies and television. His critically acclaimed work has appeared in The Nation, Esquire, and The Atlantic Monthly.

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