

Kristin Hannah, NYT bestselling author of: *The Four Winds*, to be featured in conversation with Elin Hilderbrand at virtual Bookmarks event in February.

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (January 12, 2020) – New York Times #1 bestselling author Kristin Hannah will discuss her new book, *The Four Winds*, during a virtual event at 12:00 pm EST on Friday, Feb. 5. The event is sponsored by Bookmarks.

Hannah is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of more than twenty novels, including *The Four Winds*, *The Nightingale*, and *The Great Alone*. Her 2015 novel, *The Nightingale* was voted a best book of the year by *Amazon*, *Buzzfeed*, *iTunes*, *Library Journal*, *Paste*, *The Wall Street Journal* and *The Week*. It also won the coveted Goodreads and People’s Choice Awards.

The February 5th event will be a conversation with Elin Hilderbrand. Known as “the queen of summer beach reads,” Hilderbrand is best known for her *Paradise* book series. She has written almost thirty books, dozens of which have been bestsellers and award-winners.

The Four Winds is an epic novel of a mother’s love and determination, set against the backdrop of one of America’s most defining eras—the Great Depression. Set in 1934, Elsa must make the choice to stay in Texas and tend to the barren fields or venture west to California. *The Four Winds* is an indelible portrait of America and the American Dream, as seen through the eyes of one indomitable woman whose courage and sacrifice will come to define a generation.

Admission for the event is by purchase of *The Four Winds* (signed copies will be available). To purchase the book and register for the event go to:
<https://www.bookmarksnc.org/event/KristinHannah>

Bookmarks is a literary arts nonprofit organization and independent bookstore that works to ignite the love of reading by connecting the community with books and authors. In addition to the annual Festival of Books & Authors, Bookmarks offers year-round programming to this end, including author talks, lecture nights, book club gatherings, and more, all of which are currently being offered virtually. Community outreach efforts also include Book Build and Authors In Schools, which connect students in the Winston-Salem area with authors and new books. Bookmarks is located at 634 West Fourth Street in downtown Winston-Salem and offers appointment-based shopping (as well as walk ins) Tuesday-Saturday from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., with curbside pick-up and phone service continuing from 4 - 6 p.m. Visit bookmarksnc.org for more information.

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