



**Saturday,  
May 16, 2026  
Schedule**

*(times + places subject to change)*



### **10 AM - 11 AM**

**Children's Hour: "T-Rex Dino Party"** at  
the Pamlico County Library  
13896 NC 55, Alliance

Organized by Friends of the Library (FOTL) and Library Staff

### **10 AM - 11 AM**

**Memoir Writing Workshop: "Everyone Has a Story"**

at Mariposa Bakery + Wine Bar

401 Broad Street, Oriental

Led by Dawn Gibson

*Registration Recommended*

### **10 AM - 2 PM**

**Meet the Author + Book Signings**

at **Oriental Town Hall** 507 Church

Street, Oriental

*See Schedule of Authors' Readings Below*

### **1 PM - 2 PM**

**Writing Workshop: "Writing in the Age of AI" at**

**Mariposa Bakery and Wine Bar**

401 Broad Street, Oriental

Led by Zac Schnell, President, Pamlico Community College

*Registration Recommended*

### **2 PM - 3 PM**

**Storytime Under the Magnolia**

with Award-Winning Storyteller, **Donna Washington**

at the **Magnolia House** 505 Broad Street, Oriental,

All Ages Event with Lemonade and Cookies on the Porch

## 2 PM - 3 PM

**Featured Writer Talk + Book Signing: Dawn Gibson**

**In the Courtyard at Gretchen's Bistro**

807 Broad Street, Oriental

Book Launch

*Space is limited*

## 3 PM - 4 PM

**Featured Writer Talk + Book Signing: Kevin Duffus**

**In the Courtyard at Gretchen's Bistro**

807 Broad Street, Oriental

Award-winning Historian/Author of Ten Books on Maritime History of the Carolinas

*Space is Limited*

## 4 PM - 5 PM

**Authors' Panel discussion at**

**The Old Theater**

609 Broad Street, Oriental

Featuring different ways to get published: Traditional, Self, Vanity, Hybrid, etc.

## 6 PM - 8 PM

**2nd Annual: The Art of Storytelling**

**at The Old Theater** 609 Broad

Street, Oriental

Cap the event with a festive gathering featuring storytellers: Kevin Duffus, Donna Washington + more



**Mariposa**  
Bakery & Wine Bar



in partnership with:



## Author Reading Schedule (Subject To change)

<b>Lynn</b>	<b>Lewis</b>	10:30 AM	Town Hall
<b>Mary</b>	<b>Scott</b>	11 AM	Town Hall
<b>Grady</b>	<b>Simpson</b>	11:30 AM	Town Hall Need Info/children's
<b>Amber</b>	<b>Harr</b>	12 PM	Town Hall
<b>Amy</b>	<b>Koehn</b>	12:30 PM	Town Hall children's
<b>Julie</b>	<b>Lombard</b>	1 PM	Town Hall children's
<b>John</b>	<b>Gibson</b>	1:30 PM	Town Hall
<b>Diana</b>	<b>Bottone</b>	2:00 PM	Town Hall
<b>Joan</b>	<b>Aubele</b>	2:30 PM	Town Hall
<b>Dawn</b>	<b>Gibson</b>	2 PM	Courtyard at Gretchen's Bistro
<b>Donna</b>	<b>Washington</b>	2 PM	Magnolia House
<b>Kevin</b>	<b>Duffus</b>	3 PM	Courtyard at Gretchen's Bistro