

# Thursday, November 5 – Daytime Program

# Book Festival

Various Venues and Times

**Daytime Program • 9 – 11:45 a.m. • 1:30 – 4 p.m. • \$30/day not including Literary Lunch Break**  
**Max Bell Auditorium**

Capturing a life in the pages of a book is no easy feat. This day-long program will feature a number of life stories – fiction and non-fiction – and a celebration of some mountain heroes.

## 9 – 11:45 a.m.

### Jerry Auld – *Hooker & Brown*

Canmore resident Jerry Auld's debut novel creatively melds fiction, legend, and Canadian history. Stay close to home as Auld draws on the majestic peaks of Hooker and Brown to create an evocative adventure story about one man's quest to put to rest a historical mystery.

### Mike Nash – *The Mountain Knows No Expert*

Author, columnist, and outdoorsman Mike Nash captures the inspirational story of the late George Evanoff. Focusing on Evanoff's full mountain life and the impact he had on so many, Nash tells the motivating stories of this free-spirited adventurer.

### Niall Grimes – *Revelations – Jerry Moffatt*

Inspired by the fiercely ambitious rock climber Jerry Moffatt, Niall Grimes tells the tale of Moffatt's meteoric rise to stardom and how he overcame injury to stay at the top for over two decades. Laugh along as Grimes shares Moffatt's compelling and often humorous stories as a top sport-climber, brilliant competitor, and a pioneer in the new game of bouldering.

### Panel Discussion: Biography

Niall Grimes, Steve House, Mike Nash, and Bernadette McDonald come together to discuss what it takes to write a biography from the perspective of a ghost writer, an autobiographer, and biographers. Moderated by Trent Edwards.



## 1:30 – 3:40 p.m.

### Chic Scott – *Deep Powder and Steep Rock: The Life of Mountain Guide Hans Gmoser*

One of Canada's most celebrated mountain literature authors and adventurers, Chic Scott tells the remarkable story of local hero Hans Gmoser. Join Chic's journey in this unique tale of perseverance, adventure, hard work, and ultimate success.

### Panel Discussion: Heroes

Jerry Auld, Chic Scott, Pat Morrow, Kim Cszimazia, and Sid Marty come together to discuss heroes, and the place that they hold in the tradition of mountain literature, as well as the impact those heroes can have on the lives and careers of those who read and write about them. Moderated by Harry Vandervlist.

### Pat Morrow – *Conrad Kain's Life and Legacy*

Although credited with more than 60 first ascents and numerous pioneering routes in the Canadian Rockies and the Purcell Range, legendary mountain guide Conrad Kain is primarily known for the first ascents of Mount Robson (1913), Mount Louis (1916), and Bugaboo Spire (1916). An active member of The Conrad Kain Centennial Society, Pat Morrow has been working with a dedicated group of mountain guides, recreational climbers, skiers, and Kain fans to celebrate the legacy of Kain, in this, the centennial of Kain's arrival in Canada.



## 4 – 4:45 p.m. • Free

### Live Performance: "As far as I can take you" – *the Life of Conrad Kain*

A one-man play tracing the journey of the Alpine Club of Canada's first professional mountain guide from his humble beginnings in Austria to the first ascent of Mount Robson. The play is inspired by Kain's own words – gathered from personal letters – describing his experience as an immigrant to Canada, his "principles of guiding", and his deep love of natural beauty. Actor Phillip Nugent embodies Kain's gregarious quick wit, connecting audiences to this mountaineering legend who continues to inspire generations of climbers.

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## 4:45 – 5:30 p.m. • Free

### Book Launch and Signings

A great chance to have books signed by Jerry Auld, Niall Grimes, Bernadette McDonald, Pat Morrow, Mike Nash, Chic Scott, and others. Don't miss out on the launch of the newly re-issued *Where the Clouds Can Go*, written by Conrad Kain and first published in 1935.



## Noon – 1:15 p.m.

### Literary Lunch Break –

Donald Cameron Hall Dining Room \$20, includes lunch

### Steve House: *Beyond the Mountain*

*Beyond the Mountain* takes an intimate look into Steve House's own climbing experiences, the benefits of lightweight ascents, and techniques that emphasize conservation and respect for the environment. An advocate of fast and light alpinism, House has completed first ascents, established new routes, and climbed extensively throughout the Rockies, northern ranges, the Alps, and the Himalaya. Called "the best high altitude climber in the world today" by Reinhold Messner, Steve House brings the chronicles of his alpine expeditions to Banff.



## Book Signings

Many of the following authors and special guests will be signing books after their presentations - be sure to check the Book Festival daytime schedule for times and locations. More book signings on Friday, November 6, 4 - 5 p.m. in the Max Bell Building, and Saturday, November 7, 10 a.m., 11 a.m., and 2 p.m. during the Book Fair in the Laszlo Funtek Building, Room 224.

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| Jerry Auld          | Gill & Tony Daffern |
| Sarah Garlick       | Niall Grimes        |
| Steve House         | Dean Karnazes       |
| Frances Klatzel     | Bree Loewen         |
| Lynn Martel         | Sid Marty           |
| Bernadette McDonald | Mike Nash           |
| Geoff Powter        | Royal Robbins       |
| Chic Scott          |                     |

and others, including those book award winners in attendance.

