

BOOKEXPO



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BookExpo and New York Rights Fair Join Together at Javits Center for 2019

- *Dates Set for 2019 New York Rights Fair, BookExpo and BookCon* -

NORWALK, CT / NEW YORK, NY – July 31, 2018 – BookExpo and New York Rights Fair today announced that they will join together under one roof in 2019. The two book trade events will run concurrently and be colocated at the Jacob Javits Convention Center in Manhattan (Javits Center). BookCon will continue to take place immediately after BookExpo at the Javits Center. The dates for BookExpo and New York Rights Fair are currently set for May 29 – 31, 2019, with BookCon taking place on June 1 – 2, 2019.

New York Rights Fair (NYRF) NYRF will continue to be organized as a separate rights fair, building on the success of its inaugural year, and also serve as the International Rights Center at Bookexpo, hosted in the River Pavilion within the Javits Center. Together, BookExpo, BookCon and NYRF will serve every aspect of the book business from “rights to reader” and everything in between.

The selection of Javits Center as the venue follows the news of the multiyear agreement between the parties, announced in June, 2018, for the joint management of New York Rights Fair, formalizing the parties’ strategic vision for the future of the shows. BookExpo and NYRF are committed to serving the global publishing community. The decision to colocate in 2019 fosters the relationship between and among domestic and international publishers, agents and authors.

“For the New York publishing houses and their international counterparts, having an easy, efficient central hub in which to meet will magnify the business opportunities that BookExpo and New York Rights Fair seek to encourage,” said George Slowik, Jr., president of NYRF and co-owner of *Publishers Weekly*.

“Books are driving some of the most successful content for film and streaming platforms. We are excited to be working with New York Rights Fair to meet the needs of our domestic and international publishers in the heart of New York City, the publishing hub of the world. With this valuable addition, the reimagined BookExpo will be able to deliver a holistic platform to launch the hottest new titles and authors, feature cutting-edge trends and impact every part of our customers’ businesses. This industry is vibrant and growing and we look forward to building an event together to support and celebrate that,” said Ed Several, senior vice-president, BookExpo.

The 2018 fairs saw a combined nearly 10,000 attendees and exhibitors from 85 countries. In its inaugural year, NYRF was located in a separate location. With this announcement of colocation at the Javits Center, BookExpo and NYRF anticipate robust attendance, dynamic content and a valuable experience for all attendees.

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ABOUT BOOKEXPO

[BookExpo](#) is North America’s largest gathering of book trade professionals, attracting an audience from around the globe. The event has been reimagined to be the place where the business of bookselling gets done in North America. It’s the place “books are made” and where the industry, authors and readers converge to define the direction of the publishing industry for years to come. BookExpo provides a focused professional environment to discover emerging authors and the next blockbuster titles, engage with the world’s most influential publishers and learn from industry leaders and peers. BookExpo is organized with the support of association partners including the American Booksellers Association (ABA), the Association of American Publishers (AAP), and the Association of Authors’ Representatives (AAR).

ABOUT NEW YORK RIGHTS FAIR

The [New York Rights Fair](#) is produced by BolognaFiere S.p.A, the leading European exhibition organizer, *Publishers Weekly*, the international news platform of the book publishing industry, Combined Book Exhibit, a publishing marketing and promotion resource, and Reed Exhibitions, the world’s leading events business. NYRF is the first trade and licensing show in the U.S. dedicated exclusively to the international rights, distribution and licensing of content, both adult and children’s. The inaugural New York Rights Fair took place May 30 – June 1, 2018, at the Metropolitan Pavilion in Manhattan. The fair offers a unique experience for U.S. publishers, agents and rights professionals across adult and children’s markets to network with their global counterparts in the publishing capital of the world. The three-day fair presented 70 speakers from around the world and covered rights sales negotiation and distribution of content across print, audio, TV, film and digital channels.

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