

# The Main Event

## Speaker Series

An author series featuring prominent voices from the worlds of literature, the arts, politics and journalism

Free and open to the public

## Colum McCann

Wednesday, December 4, 7 pm  
Main Library Auditorium

Born in Ireland, Colum McCann is the internationally bestselling author of five novels, including *Let The Great World Spin*, winner of the National Book Award, and his latest, *Transatlantic*. McCann has also written two highly acclaimed short story collections, and his work has been published in thirty-five languages. Other awards won by McCann include the prestigious Chevalier des Arts et Lettres from the French government, the International Dublin Literary Award, and the Ireland Fund of Monaco Literary Award. *Esquire* magazine has named McCann one of the "Best & Brightest," and his short film *Everything In This Country Must* was nominated for an Oscar. Colum McCann is a regular contributor to *The New Yorker*, *Atlantic Monthly*, the *New York Times Magazine*, and *The Paris Review*, and teaches in the Hunter College MFA Creative Writing Program.



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**McCann has been described as a "poetic realist," a writer who "is known to tackle the dark in order to get through to the light."**

A question and answer session follows the presentation. Books will be available for purchase.

Presented by the Akron-Summit County Public Library and Friends of Main Library.

**Auditorium doors open at 6:30 pm.**

Parking in the High/Market deck is free for those arriving after 6 pm.

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