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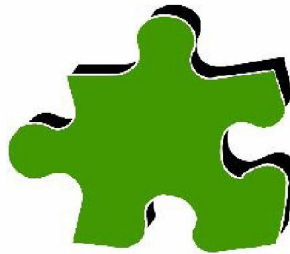
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♦ **FRED STENSON** is the author of *The Trade*, which was nominated for the 2000 Giller Prize and won the inaugural Grant MacEwan Writer's Award, the City of Edmonton Book Prize, and the Writers Guild of Alberta's Georges Bugnet Novel Award. The Great Karoo is Stenson's eighth book of fiction and fifteenth book overall. He has also written scripts for over 140 produced films and videos. He writes a regular humour column for *Alberta Views Magazine*. He was raised on a farm in the Alberta foothills north of Chief Mountain and lives in Cochrane, Alberta.

**Fred Stenson appears
Friday, Nov. 7 at 7 p.m.**

♦ **MAGGIE SIGGINS** is an author and film producer who has worked as a reporter, columnist, magazine writer and news editor. She has written nine books. Her early work includes *A Guide to Skiing in Eastern North American*, *How to Catch a Man with cartoonist Ben Wicks*, *Bassett*, and *Brian and the Boys: A Story of Gang Rape*. In 1985 she wrote *Canadian Tragedy*, relating the events that lead to the murder of JoAnn Thatcher by her husband Colin. *Riel: A Life of Revolution* was the best-selling biography of Canada's one great revolutionary. Her new book "*Marie-Anne: The Extraordinary Life of Louis Riel's Grandmother*" has been released and is in stock (at Pennywise).

**Maggie Siggins appears
Friday, Nov. 7 at 9 p.m.**

♦ **JOAN THOMAS** has been a regular book reviewer for the *Globe and Mail* for more than a decade. Her essays, stories, and articles have been published in numerous journals and magazines including *Prairie Fire*, *Books in Canada*, and the *Winnipeg Free Press*. She has won a National Magazine Award, co-edited *Turn of the Story: Canadian Short Fiction on the Eve of the Millennium*, and has served on the editorial boards of *Turnstone Press* and *Prairie Fire Magazine*. She lives in Winnipeg.

**Joan Thomas appears
Saturday, Nov. 8 at 7 p.m.**

♦ **DARIA SALAMON** is a freelance writer whose work has been published by the *Globe and Mail*, the *Winnipeg Free Press* and *Uptown Magazine*. Her short fiction and creative non-fiction has been shortlisted for the Writers' Union of Canada's Emerging Writer Short Fiction Award, the Larry Turner Award for Creative Non-Fiction, and the Canadian Authors Association's North of 55 Writing Contest. In 2005, she wrote a monthly humour column on wedding planning for the *Winnipeg Free Press* called "The Wedding Diaries." She lives in Winnipeg.

**Daria Salamon appears
Saturday, Nov. 8 at 9 p.m.**

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