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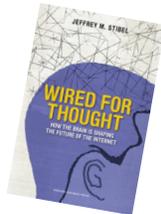
At Verbatim Lecture Management, we believe in the notion of ‘one world, many voices,’ and it is our mission to ensure that some of those critically important, progressive voices are heard by as wide an audience as possible.

We represent a broad spectrum of authors, speakers and activists. Their unique perspectives on social, environmental, political and economic issues, and corporate and technological innovation, reside right at the heart of the global conversation.



## Jeffrey M. Stibel

In his book *Wired for Thought: How the Brain Is Shaping the Future of the Internet*, Stibel, a brain scientist, entrepreneur and the President of Web.com, demonstrates how the Internet has effectively replicated the human brain, and how the future of business lies in leveraging the understanding of these similarly complex networks.



## Joan Garry

Former Executive Director of GLAAD (Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation), Garry is widely recognized as one of the most vocal, passionate and effective civil rights leaders in America. She is a featured blogger at *The Huffington Post*, and frequently contributes commentary to major news publications and TV networks.



## Elizabeth Royte

Author of the acclaimed *Garbage Land: On the Secret Trail of Trash*, Royte addresses the staggering impact of waste and consumption on the environment and the economy. In *Bottlemania*, she looks beyond the ecological ramifications of the bottled water phenomenon, to the tenuous state of our public water supplies.



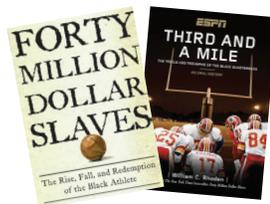
## Tom Philpott

Co-founder of Maverick Farms, a center for sustainable-food education, and Food Editor at *Grist.org*, the country's top environmental news site, Philpott's biweekly "Victual Reality" column is the only regular food-politics column in the national media. *Food & Wine* named him one of "ten innovators" who will "continue to shape [America's] culinary consciousness."



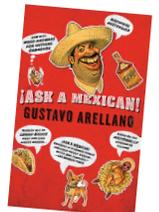
## William C. Rhoden

Award-winning *New York Times* columnist, bestselling author of *Forty Million Dollar Slaves: The Rise, Fall and Redemption of the Black Athlete*, and frequent guest on ESPN's "The Sports Reporters," Rhoden uses the metaphors of sports to address crucial issues and conflicts in contemporary American society.



## Gustavo Arellano

Author of the bestselling book and nationally syndicated column *¡Ask a Mexican!*, and *Orange County: A Personal History*, Arellano, also a contributing editor to the *LA Times*, addresses immigration, integration and the role of stereotypes in American society, and helps organizations to better connect with Latinos.





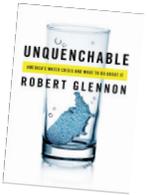
## Emily Liebert

Award-winning writer, editor and author of the forthcoming *Facebook Fairytales: Modern-Day Miracles to Inspire the Human Spirit*, Liebert examines the positive power and untapped potential of the social networking revolution, beginning with 25 true stories of hope and triumph reaching across cultures — all resulting from Facebook connections.



## Robert Glennon

Author of *Unquenchable: America's Water Crisis and What To Do About It*, Glennon, the Morris K. Udall Professor of Law and Public Policy at the University of Arizona, addresses America's onrushing water shortage, and provides a provocative solution in the form of a market-based system that values water as *both* a commodity and a fundamental human right.



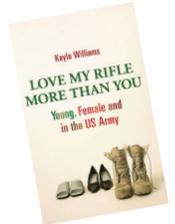
## Valerie Boyd

Award-winning author of the acclaimed biography *Wrapped in Rainbows: The Life of Zora Neale Hurston*, and the forthcoming *Spirits in the Dark: The Untold Story of Black Women in Hollywood* — a groundbreaking study tracing the history of black women in film and TV from the 1920s to the present.



## Kayla Williams

Author of the memoir *Love My Rifle More Than You: Young and Female in the U.S. Army*, Williams, a former sergeant and Arabic linguist in a military intelligence unit of the 101st Airborne in Iraq, addresses the shifting role of women in society, the changing demands on today's military, and the treatment/reintegration of veterans.



## Logan Smalley

Director of the multi-award-winning documentary "Darius Goes West," which chronicles the epic cross-country road trip he and 10 others took with Darius Weems, a friend stricken with fatal Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, Smalley is a change agent for a new generation. He and Darius prove that idealism and creativity can result in tangible progress.



## Brandon Friedman

Vice Chairman of VoteVets.org — a 100,000-member organization dedicated to getting veterans elected to public office, Editor of the blog *VetVoice*, and a frequent contributor to *The Huffington Post* and *Daily Kos*, Brandon is the author of the acclaimed memoir *The War I Always Wanted: The Illusion of Glory and the Reality of War*.



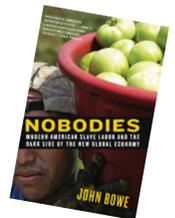
## Andrew Leonard

A Senior writer at Salon.com, Leonard writes the hybrid blog/column "How the World Works" — a venue for exploring the interconnections between globalization, energy policy, economics, the environment, technology and politics; and, particularly the extent to which these inextricably linked subjects are driven by, and affect, China, India and the U.S.



## John Bowe

Award-winning *New Yorker* journalist and author of Pulitzer Prize nominee *Nobodies: Modern American Slave Labor and the Dark Side of the New Global Economy*, Bowe examines how outsourcing, subcontracting, immigration fraud, and the relentless pursuit of "everyday low prices" have created a frightening new market for slavery in America.



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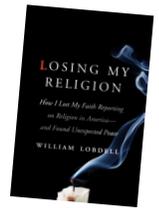
## Joe Drape

Award-winning *New York Times* journalist and author of the forthcoming *Our Boys: A Perfect Season on the Plains with the Smith Center Redmen* — about a small town in Kansas that actually believes it takes a whole village to raise a child, and how its long-undefeated football team (67 games and counting) has embodied this ideal.



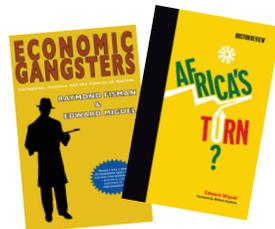
## William Lobdell

Award-winning former LA Times journalist, and author of the memoir *Losing My Religion: How I Lost My Faith Reporting on Religion in America*, Lobdell shares his spiritual journey investigating and reconciling the many oft-conflicting facets of faith in America, which took him from evangelical Christian to reluctant atheist.



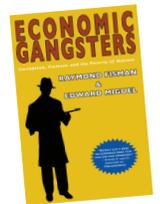
## Edward Miguel

Co-Author of *Economic Gangsters: Corruption, Violence and the Poverty of Nations*, and author of *Africa's Turn?*, Miguel is the Director of the Center of Evaluations for Global Action at the University of California, Berkeley, where he is an associate professor in economics, with a research focus on African economic development.



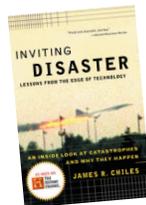
## Raymond Fisman

Co-Author of *Economic Gangsters: Corruption, Violence and the Poverty of Nations*, Fisman is the Lambert Family Professor of Social Enterprise and Research Director of the Social Enterprise Program at the Columbia Business School. He also writes a monthly column for *Slate* on economics and popular culture.



## James R. Chiles

Author of the acclaimed book *Inviting Disaster: Lessons from the Edge of Technology*, Chiles, a renowned technology and history writer, helps organizations assess risk and avoid catastrophe by examining the repeating patterns of historical and contemporary disasters, and applying the lessons learned to each organization's daily processes.



## Jay Gnospelius

When a commuter train took two of Jay's limbs, he made 'Limbonade'. After he awoke from the accident, Jay realized that he was no longer human...he had become "The 7 Million Dollar Man." With new bionic limbs, and his sense of humor and imagination still intact, the former Ad industry legend (MasterCard "Priceless") proves that anything is possible.

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