

## publicity conference call with Matthew and Glory

The first thing on my mind is to nail down the San Francisco speaking date; we've had Sydney Goldstein hanging fire on 3 possible dates, and we owe it to her to pick one--is there any reason Sept. 17 wouldn't work for us? (She has an ARC by now, does she? She has to pick an interviewer for me.)

The next thing, to me, is to work with Thom Chambliss about the breakfast speaking spot at the Pacific Northwest Booksellers fall show--make sure he has an ARC and whatever support the publishing house can give him. I've asked Tom for consideration on that Monday, Oct. 15, breakfast slot, but whatever diplomatic reinforcement you folks can give would help him on that.

With those off my mind, how would you like to proceed? With what's on your minds? Bookstore scheduling? Some other smaller points Carol and I have come up with?

The Diane Rehm Show is not an impossible dream--Nancy Robertson, the booker or producer, has been a fan of my books; I've been on the show twice, and they chose Dancing at the Rascal Fair for one of their roundtable shows a couple of years ago.

Interviews at this end of the country:

--Steve Scher at KUOW should be tried for a Weekday slot (I haven't been on his show since two books ago, for The Eleventh Man)

--Voice of Montana show on the Northern Broadcasting System

--Cherie Newman

--and of course whatever Kim Anderson can suggest, ahead of the Montana Book Festival

In general, I'm available for phone interviews for substantial outlets--radio, newspapers, social media you've had good experience with--but not every blog that comes along, please. (the sunbreak.com, from last time)

ivandoig.com, we'll update with the full schedule etc.

Book-It Theatre Company, here in Seattle, did one of my earlier novels as a play, and they want my speaking and bookstore schedule to put on their Facebook page.

This is quite a ways ahead on the calendar, but FYI, I guess, Allen Walker at Penguin wants me at the winter ABA meeting, I think it is, in January or thereabouts, here in Seattle.

I don't know if this is your department, but are ARCs going out plentifully to booksellers, for our old friend, word-of-mouth? I know Becky thinks that's still vital, and it's served me well in the past, in getting my books on the PNBA bestseller list and then on up into Indie selections and that bestseller list.

We have to be mindful that events people sometime have their own agenda, about where and when they put an author--and I really don't want to be just providing feel-good for the staff or some constituency that isn't going to buy a bunch of books. I'm wary of book festivals for that reason--incidentally, there'll likely be a Seattle Bookfest of some kind again this year, and last year I participated in headline style for it and we're not likely to get that kind of treatment this year, so I'd like to sit this one out unless there's a really compelling reason.



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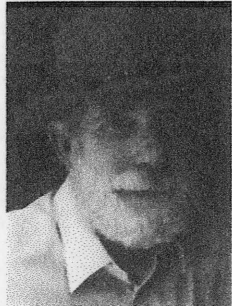
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Ivan Doig

## Home on the Range: Ivan Doig

By Jordan Foster

Jul 09, 2012

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Like Faulkner and his beloved Yoknapatawpha County, Ivan Doig, who's written 10 novels—the 11th, *The Bartender's Tale*, comes out in August from Riverhead—and three works of non-fiction, most notably his memoir, *This House of Sky* (Harcourt, 1978) spends most of his time on the page in his home state of Montana. "I've hung on to the country and community," he says, though his characters do venture far afield, from Harlem to Vietnam. Doig himself now lives in Seattle.

It's not just Big Sky Country that weaves its way through Doig's fiction. His characters blend into the background of one book only to step into the limelight years later. In *Bartender*, the saloonkeeper, Tom Harry, has poured drinks in three earlier novels, starting with 1984's *English Creek* (Scribner). Every eight years or so, Tom crops up, liquor bottle and shot glass in hand, ready to lend a sympathetic ear to local ranchers. The idea for *Bartender*—which chronicles the summer as Tom's 12-year-old son, Rusty, navigates adolescence and helps his father at the Medicine Lodge bar—started, says Doig, "way back when I was about Rusty's size and in bars with my dad." Doig's father would go all over Montana looking for men to help him with sheep ranching and Doig, like Rusty, was an only child, so he was always with his father.

Of course, the young Doig had to stay in front of the bar, which got his imagination going. "I started thinking," he says, "what if I could be in the back of the joint? and combined that with the story of an only child—like me—being raised by a challenged but ultimately resourceful single father. That's something I haven't gone back to since *This House of Sky* and something I've never done in fiction." Spreading his hands wide as if to show the endless possibilities, Doig explains that "it all comes from the writer's version of abracadabra: what if?"

One thing that Doig never questions is his pursuit of the beauty of language. "Norman Maclean talked about the poetry under the prose," he says, "which is something I'm always conscious of in the way I use vernacular." He looks chagrined when he admits that it wasn't until this book that he thought to call such regional dialect "lingua Americana." In *Bartender*, Doig introduces the young and chipper Delano "Del" Robertson, who arrives in the tiny town of Gros Ventre, Mont., as an emissary of the "Missing Voices" project, a fictional venture similar to Alan Lomax's real-life travels following Lead Belly and his blues across America. And in keeping with Doig's tradition of writing his own interstitial poetry, folk songs, and other scraps of nonprose that appear in his books, "those blues Del has are things I made up," he says.



A young Doig courtesy Riverhead Books

Doig has "always been interested in catching the homemade language." He's particularly pleased with his invention of the word "swuft"—which roughly translates to "swell"—and is used by Rusty and his partner-in-crime/first love Zoe throughout *Bartender*. When asked if he considered giving Rusty the obligatory male best friend, the one who gets shunted to the side when Rusty and Zoe grow closer, he returns to Norman Maclean, a friend and literary mentor, and points out that Maclean "absolutely ignored the Depression" in *A River Runs Through It* (Univ. of Chicago, 1976). "This took place in the 1930s," he chuckles, "and you'd never know that anybody had to go to work or worried about a job." It's what he calls Maclean's "beautiful ruefulness" that Doig finds himself returning to as a writer. "Do what's necessary to tell the strong, good story," he says. "And if doesn't fit with the way you're supposed to do it, all the better. So no best friend for Rusty! Except Zoe."

Telling the strong, good story about Doig means breaking him out of the box where he's so often placed: the Western Writer. "I think that's so silly," Doig says, shaking his head and rubbing his beard, streaks of red still visible in the white. "Montana is where I happen to be from, but my characters go off into as big a world as there is. It's just that Montana is the language my fingers speak." He's quick to note that no one would dare label Eudora Welty simply a Southern Writer. "I try to use the whole orchestra when I write," explains Doig, "not just the tympani of regionalism. I think

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Hi Carol and Ivan,

Even our Helena IR confirmed "Bartender's Tale" as the Pacific Northwest #2. And while I've tried to like "Gone Girl," so far I haven't succeeded. So in my region of territory and thinking, "The Bartender's Tale" is first - - It's heading out the door of Montana Book Company, too, at least as I buy presents for friends. Huge congratulations!

I hope that you're looking out on a gorgeous sunlit sound--Carol, as you read the next manuscript--and Ivan, as you field incoming love notes from fans!

Here, of course, I'm looking out at and breathing smoke. Some hours it recedes just a bit or and others it truly takes away all horizon out my eastern windows and smells very new and potent. I rarely experience anything that feels like an allergy - but I'm not breathing so freely today.

Did I even tell you about last weekend's trip--to Glacier; two overnights with Kay Rosengren, a long-time Walter family friend. Kay lost her husband, Keith, in the mid 90s - and she continues to winter in Hallock, Minnesota and summer in a little trailer at Glacier Campground right outside West Glacier. She usually visits in September on her way home--and will again, soon, I think. So I enjoyed her hospitality---and then on Saturday, in absolutely crystal clear air and golden sun--we went up the North Fork: a couple hours at Ford Creek (30 minutes below the Walters), over through Polebridge and across the river to Bowman Lake for a couple more hours, on up to Big Praire where Dave worked for a dude ranch, back to the Merc in Polebridge. In the three years since I'd been there, I'd forgotten--seemingly--just how heart-stoppingly gorgeous it is. And how direct a link to Dave in memory. By Sunday, when I drove back on a crazy-packed Seeley Swan highway, the smoke had come in again.

Are you still living on the first floor---or have regular temperatures resumed? And did you try to watch any of the RNC? I could not bear to-----

More congratulations! May it just keep scooting up the lists as we tell each other about it!

Love,

Marcella

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed Tour Calendar  
**Date:** April 30, 2012 8:33:09 AM PDT  
**To:** "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>



Glory, hi--I think this chunk of the tour looks good--would like to call you this afternoon with a few logistical details if you're available. I've lost track--is the August leg I proposed in my April 3 fax to Matthew firmed up with those 3 stores--Third Place, Edmonds Bookshop, and Eagle Harbor? Ditto the combination of Bellingham & Anacortes stores (Village Books and Watermark Bookstore) for Sept. 28-9? If so, we're really a long way along on the schedule, yippee. More later on the phone.

Best,  
Ivan

On Apr 27, 2012, at 2:27 PM, Plata, Glory wrote:

Hi Ivan (and Carol!) – I wanted to make sure I sent you my proposed tour calendar before the weekend. Take some time to look it over and let me know on Monday if you have any questions or concerns. I've spoken to the managers at all of these venues, and they're holding these dates for you. They're just waiting to hear from me next week to confirm. A few notes:

- Monday, September 10 – Elliott Bay/Seattle Public Library – Both Elliott Bay and the library were on board from the beginning, and are confident they'll attract a nice crowd. I know you preferred to have a midday event downtown, but the library got so excited at the idea of having you for an event that they want to hold a private reception for you before the public Elliott Bay reading/signing. Members of the library and Author Circle donors will attend, and it'll be a chance for them to meet you and have their copies of the new book (which they'll purchase) signed. These author receptions have proved successful in the past, and will not affect the turn out for the public portion of the event, as it is a completely separate function arranged by the library.
- Saturday, September 15 – Grahams – They've given a green light for an event this year! They'd love to host you for a midday event, so we have them holding for the day following Powell's.
- Thursday, September 20 – University Book Store – I touched base with Stesha, who is over the moon to have you at the store again. She said an event just before school starts is best because everyone will still be in town, but it won't be too hectic with students rushing here and there. She is confident you'll have an excellent turnout.
- Barnes & Noble - You'll notice that there isn't a Seattle B&N on the calendar this year. I spoke with our sales force, and apparently the stores have been struggling with events recently. We all decided that it's best not to schedule with them this year. Let me know if you have any concerns about that.

- Costco? – We're setting B&N aside, but there was a question about whether or not you'd like us to set up a Costco signing with your friend Pennie? We're thinking perhaps an Issaquah/Kirkland area branch might work so that we draw from a different audience than in Seattle proper. What do you think?

I think that's all I have for now. Any feedback you have is of course important and appreciated. And for the record, I've never seen as much enthusiasm and excitement from any store I've ever worked with as I have from those stores I called for your tour!

Have a great weekend --

All best,  
Glory

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**From:** ozbrooks@aol.com  
**Subject:** Re: a favor  
**Date:** March 29, 2012 6:23:18 AM PDT  
**To:** cddoig@comcast.net

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Ivan I would normally jump at the chance to do this, but life is a big stress bucket right now..my 92 year old mom had a fall and is in dire straights, while Tony's dad is in what appears to be the final battle with parkinsons. On top of the usual juggle with trying to write with two school kids it's mayhem here...

Please do have your editor send me the book and I will do my level best to get to it in a time frame that will be of use to you, but with all that is going on if I fall short I hope you won't take it as indifference or a comment on the quality of the novel, which sounds great, by the way...

Warmest regards

Geraldine

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**To:** ozbrooks <ozbrooks@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Wed, Mar 28, 2012 6:23 pm  
**Subject:** a favor

Hi, Geraldine -- Ivan Doig here, mooching on Carol's email. Like you, I'm publishing under the mighty wing of Penguin these days, in the Riverhead imprint, and my beloved editor is on the hunt for blurbs. I know they're a gauntlet -- I've done three myself the past month -- but they're such a part of the business now that I wondered if you could take a look at a reader's copy of my novel, *The Bartender's Tale*. It's a flight of imagination back into history, not nearly as far and daring as you pulled off in *Caleb's Crossing*, but back to 1960 when America was at a pivot point, the Depression generation encountering the early stirrings of the Age of Aquarius. If I've done it right, it's a good-natured read, drawing on my own Montana upbringing with my bar-hopping father.

Carol and I are still warmed by that Santa Fe weekend and our conversations with you. Thanks for considering this.

Best wishes,

Ivan

**From:** Lois Welch <lowelch@bresnan.net>  
**Subject:** Re: Lois's B&B  
**Date:** March 26, 2012 8:58:20 AM PDT  
**To:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>

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is open & ready for biz! You're already inscribed for Oct5-6. Or 4-8, if you like.

I had been wondering how you were (no news is not always good news, despite the cliché) last week when I met with Kim & the composer Wayne Horvitz. We are working on getting Wayne to put on a performance of his *Heartsong Cantata* at the book festival. Discussing times. So naturally we talked about your coming over to read from *the Bartender's Tale*. YEAH! (I didn't know they were allowed to tell their stories, Ivan.) Kim said you were staying with me. You see? You're already inscribed in the guest book. It should be a whingding of a festival!!!!

Little lettuces indeed. The little glaciers have almost receded from my garden where daffodil spikes are trying to peep up. If you look up, you probably have all those Japanese crab apples & stuff blossoming all around you too. It makes me scroogy at this season. I'm thinking of throwing a Silly Party where everyone must dress as vividly silly as they can manage--just to counteract the grey.

Well, to tell the truth, the sun shone all day yesterday & people emerged in their yards with rakes and on the trails with their dogs, and, dumbfounded, had to take off their fleece jackets and put on sun glasses. And two weeks ago, when I returned from a visit to my sister in Sunny San Diego, the sun also shone. But you can be sure it was snowing & blowing at Annick's when they arrived back from their winter escape in Santa Barbara on the 10th or so. ONE wants to change the snow tires.

I know I shouldn't be weathervaned so much by the weather. It's been good for me to stay indoors and work on the Jimoir. I actually read from it for the first time at the end of February, at a Cutbank fundraiser. They allotted me half an hour to read, so I whacked into shape a piece entitled "How to go from being a Mediocre Student to the Front Page of the NYTBR in Seven Short Years," about *Winter in the Blood*. They were attentive, I could see from their body language in the penumbra at the Top Hat. Very encouraging.

You are both in good health, I hope. Forging ahead at least. (Does the new one have a title yet?) Thank you for the news bulletin. I would love to see you again--before October, which seems years and continents away. Am pondering summer plans now.

Hug Ivan for me, please.  
xoLo

On Mar 22, 2012, at 9:11 AM, carol doig wrote:

Greetings, Lois, from gray Seattle, where the little lettuces and snow peas are being visited regularly by the big watering can in the sky. It's the kind of weather you remember: some days start at 41 and go all the way to 44.

Ahh, but the seasons will change, and book events are in the future: *The Bartender's Tale* finally has a pub date: August 21.

Penguin already has been working with the local folks (we understand Kim Anderson is involved once again) to bring Ivan to the big book fair, for an appearance on Saturday, October 6. We would love to visit your B&B for the nights of October 5 and 6. We'd fly over and rent a car.



**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
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**Cc:** "Liz D." <lizdlit@gmail.com>

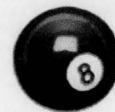


Brian, hi. Terrific news about David Aaron Baker's nomination. As one Audie winner, circa 1993, to another, we hope, could you please forward to him -- and for that matter, your production crew -- my congratulations <sup>I</sup>gratitude for a job really well done.

Is there an Audie website we could refer to? I want to post the good news on ivandoig.com.

Best,  
Ivan

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** spreading the good news  
**Date:** February 21, 2013 8:43:56 AM PST  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>



Hi, Glory. Sometimes I've passed book news directly to Mary Ann Gwinn at The Seattle Times, but I don't want to overstay my welcome at that, so would you please give her a heads up on the last couple of days of good news about The Bartender's Tale, since she was such a champion of it for us. She periodically lists honors and such, and the recent ones might fit:

The Audie finalist in fiction, David Aaron Baker for his reading of The Bartender's Tale, winners to be announced the week of the BEA.

And the ALA Carnegie medal listing.

Thanks,  
Ivan

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** various  
**Date:** November 14, 2012 10:25:03 AM PST  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>



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Hi, Glory. A couple of things to report on at this end. The Montana Book Company in Helena that produced the prodigious book signing is now up to 406 copies of the Bartender sold, and has sent bookplates to be signed for waiting customers, which I will oblige them with. So, continued good news there.

I was asked by the editor in chief of the Dictionary of American Regional English to write a piece for their newsletter, which I've just done. It's quarterly, so the article may not run for a while, but it's a nice, select audience for us and the Bartender. The editor, Joan Houston Hall, may want a pic of me, so I've told her to contact you.

Best.  
Ivan

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
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**Date:** October 16, 2012 8:17:19 AM PDT  
**To:** "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>  
**Cc:** Becky Saletan <rebecca.saletan@us.penguingroup.com>



Glory, hi.

The PNBA was a grand finale, a full house for the breakfast talk and a warm reception from the booksellers. If nothing else I won their hearts by sticking to my allotted time, after the bunny lady -- oops, the children's author -- tried to read her whole book aloud to us, including reactions from her grandchildren. Also, miraculously, one of the volunteers at the booksigning was a hand masseuse, which rescued my aching paw.

The two of us want to thank you, Glory, for all your good work and attention to detail. I figure I signed well over 1,000 books, along with all the other achievements of the tour.

Best,  
Ivan

On Oct 16, 2012, at 7:42 AM, Plata, Glory wrote:

Ivan – Just received the Helena Independent-Record piece in the mail...WOW. What a cover story, and what a headline! Congrats, and I definitely intend to pin it up in my new office.

How was PNBA? Hope all went well. The BARTENDER'S tour was exceptional; you (and Carol!) did a marvelous job getting out there and spreading the word about the book. If only all author tours were as wonderful. You've definitely earned this well-deserved break, at least until January's American Library Association shindig!

All best,  
Glory

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Thanks,  
Glory

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**MONDAY, OCTOBER 15 – TACOMA, WA**

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**8:00—9:30 AM**

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**PNBA BOOK & AUTHOR BREAKFAST**

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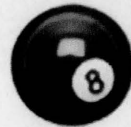
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**Date:** September 20, 2012 6:31:52 AM PDT  
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Ivan missed connecting with you late yesterday, Glory, but did reach Becky about logistics. PNBA wants 150 books signed, and Ivan's stiff hands can't do that in one sitting. We're willing to spend an overnight, but if you two decide it's a good idea, please book a room soonest. Their website, as of 5p.m. yesterday, said a few double doubles were available, but other categories were sold out.

Yes, I'll be there, Glory, in my familiar role as chauffeur. Please order us one granola and one quiche.

Best,  
Carol

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **PNBA award deadline**  
**Date:** August 21, 2012 12:45:27 PM PDT  
**To:** Becky Saletan <rebecca.saletan@us.penguingroup.com>



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Just doing some housekeeping here on pub day. The list of nominees for a PNBA award does not include yours truly yet, and the deadline is August 31. Nomination forms are available online, and it never hurts to be in the running, whether or not I win, which I fairly often do. Can tend to?

Best,  
Ivan



**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **PNBA trade show**  
**Date:** August 21, 2012 12:56:31 PM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguin.com>



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Ivan also emailed Becky about getting the Book Award nomination form in by August 31.

Best,  
Carol

From: "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>  
Subject: **RE: PNBA interview**  
Date: August 21, 2012 1:57:29 PM PDT  
To: carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>, "Saletan, Rebecca" <Rebecca.Saletan@us.penguingroup.com>

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Yes! The PNBA folks sent it to us yesterday and it's great. We've posted it on Riverhead's official Facebook and Twitter profiles.

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/RiverheadBooks/posts/509564792402752>  
Twitter (nearly 13,000 followers): <https://twitter.com/riverheadbooks/status/238016156831723520>

-----Original Message-----

From: carol doig [mailto:cddoig@comcast.net]  
Sent: Tuesday, August 21, 2012 4:19 PM  
To: Saletan, Rebecca; Plata, Glory  
Subject: PNBA interview

I thought you might be interested in Ivan Doig on Craft, Character <br/>and Trout Fishing in the <br/>Presbyterian After-Life. View it at NW Book Lovers: <http://nwbooklovers.org/2012/08/15/ivan-doig-on-craft-character-and-trout-fishing-in-the-presbyterian-after-life/>

Carol

From: "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>  
Subject: **RE: PNBA trade show**  
Date: August 21, 2012 1:16:37 PM PDT  
To: carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>

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Hi Carol - Ah, many apologies. Thom Chambliss had been in touch a couple of weeks ago to "officially invite" Ivan to PNBA on 10/15, and Riverhead confirmed. Because we've talked about it before, and because we knew Thom had been in touch with you both several times over the last couple of months regarding other matters, we assumed he'd spilled the beans. So sorry about the confusion! The PNBA event was always in the plan for us, and we should be hearing from Thom again soon about the finer details.

And you better believe Ivan is on our nomination roster for the award!  
I'd say he's a shoe in, but I'm biased :)

All best,  
Glory

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From: carol doig [mailto:cddoig@comcast.net]  
Sent: Tuesday, August 21, 2012 3:57 PM  
To: Plata, Glory  
Subject: PNBA trade show

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Carol

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** Re: Your PW Profile  
**Date:** July 10, 2012 1:27:37 PM PDT  
**To:** "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>  
**Cc:** Becky Saletan <rebecca.saletan@us.penguingroup.com>



Glory, howdy as we say out on the range beyond Yoknapatawpha--Yes, very nifty profile. Do thank Jordan, and if you'll pass along to me her email address, I'll zip her a nice note of appreciation, too.

Was going to be in touch with you anyway and now is as good a time as any. Carol and I have been squinting some more at the Montana trip and think we see how to jiggle the calendar a little to get in one more valuable booksigning, at no more expense. It'd be in Bozeman, at the Country Bookshelf, which long has been the premier store for my signings in Montana or, really, anywhere else. Big ones, in other words. We'd fly to Missoula for the Book Festival on Oct. 5 instead of the 4th--Kim Anderson is OK with that, I checked; do my reading/signing that night, then next day, the 6th, an 11:30-1 signing at Fact and Fiction. Then it's onward to Helena, for whatever Sunday, Oct. 7, schedule Kat Imhoff of the Nature Conservancy comes up with, followed by a Monday, the 8th, signing at Montana Book Company from 12-1:30; then a similar signing in Bozeman (1 1/2 hr. drive from Helena which an old friend will chauffeur for us, probably in her own car) the next day, the 9th; return to Helena and Kat's hospitality for the night, drive back to Missoula as we were going to anyway to fly home, on the 10th. I'm waiting to hear from the Country Bookshelf owner, Arianna, or the events person, Laura, to confirm the Bozeman gig, but the clerk I talked to was sure it'd be hugely welcome.

So, the car rental would change from the dates we gave you to Oct. 5-10, same number of days; and natch, I'd like you to take over any details with the bookstores. Lordy, if there was any way sales or marketing could pitch in a little co-op ad or poster money, I think it'd help with the turnouts; we have a chance at getting some terrific crowds in this Montana heartland of my readership, if past history is any guide.

And with that, let me just say big, big thanks for the great work in landing the PW profile.

Best,  
Ivan

On Jul 10, 2012, at 9:10 AM, Plata, Glory wrote:

Hi Ivan – While it won't appear in print until next issue, Publishers Weekly has posted your finished author profile online:

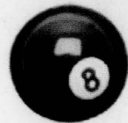
<http://www.publishersweekly.com/pw/by-topic/authors/profiles/article/52921-home-on-the-range-ivan-doig.html>

What a terrific feature. Jordan does a wonderful job of illustrating just how much of a renaissance man you are! We'll be sure to send her a note of thanks.

I'm not sure if you receive PW at home, but do let me know if you'd like me to send you a hardcopy of the issue when it hits stands.

All best,  
Glory

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** Helena  
**Date:** July 1, 2012 3:26:38 PM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>, Becky Saletan  
<rebecca.saletan@us.penguingroup.com>



Glory and Becky, good Monday morning. Catching you up on very favorable weekend developments:

Kat Imhoff, Montana state director of The Nature Conservancy, is all set for me to do the benefit for that group on Sunday, October 7. She'll provide us guest quarters at her home. I never stay with people while I'm on the road, but Carol and I know her a bit and she seems fine. I want to emphasize to whatever bosses or budget crunchers that this is a one-time exception; if I'm going to be on the road still hand-selling books the same as I've done for more than 30 years, there are going to have to be a few bucks spent supporting me, ordinarily.

With that off my chest, what we need, Glory, is a GM car rental -- planned anyway for Missoula -- from October 4 to 9, when we'll return to Missoula and fly home on the book festival's roundtrip ticket. Also some meals, of course, although people are going to be treating us much of the time. And while Kat will handle everything at her end, including getting an auditorium, would you please get in touch with her about how she can special order the 100 books. Tel. 406-443-0303 or kimhoff@tnc.org. Thanks.

Second, The Montana Book Company is thrilled to have a 12 to 1:30 signing on Monday, October 8. Please set this up with Jan Peccia, one of the owners -- whom I've talked to today (Sunday) -- or her terrific veteran clerk, Pam. The store has a good website. The contact information ought to be there. And let's arrange for me to come to the store at 10 to sign up pre-orders and stock; Carol and I will go to lunch, then be ready to sell books tooth and nail. These Helena signings often have been gangbusters, though I didn't get there for Work Song. This bookstore is a good enterprising indie, but I'm sure any support for their own publicity effort -- including radio and newspaper ads -- would be a real help.

One last thought about Helena. Our pal Butch is also managing editor of the Helena Independent Record and maybe you could hypnotize him into a mention beforehand, Glory?

Lastly, Aunties in Spokane, which dominates the eastern part of the state. I'm willing to go for a September 18 signing, returning on the 19th. Apropos of my grumble above, please book me into the Davenport Hotel.

Best,  
Ivan

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** buzzbuzzbuzz  
**Date:** August 20, 2012 8:27:11 AM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>, Becky Saletan  
<rebecca.saletan@us.penguingroup.com>



Becky & Glory, hi--We're going to have to put Mary Ann Gwinn of the Seattle times on the payroll. Besides the tv show and on-line chat she's enlisted me in, she's surely responsible for the "Literary Events" listing in the Sunday S. Times which consists of one item, my Third Place reading, beginning "Ivan Doig--The iconic novelist of the Northwest discusses and signs his brand-new Montana-set novel..." Now while I wait for my likeness to be struck onto coins...

Glory, FYI: the extraneous but useful interview about homesteading that I told you about is set for 4PM PST, Sept. 11, by Clay Scott, phone (406)442-2322), of Mountain West Voices Radio, which runs on Montana Public Radio, as I savvy it. The show is to air in early October, and with luck it might show up when I'm in Montana for our events.

Re the kickoff at Third Place tomorrow night: got my script ready and my mojo working, I hope.

Best, Ivan

From: "Klein, Judy" <Judy.Klein@HumanitiesMontana.org>  
Subject: **Missoula restaurants**  
Date: September 27, 2012 2:14:43 PM PDT  
To: "cddoig@comcast.net" <cddoig@comcast.net>  
Cc: "Plata, Glory (Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com)" <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>

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Hi Ivan,

The restaurant I mentioned, Scotty's Table, is in the Wilma itself, on the ground level. Here's a link to their website: [www.scottystable.net](http://www.scottystable.net) , and their phone number is: 406.549.2790.

And I'm happy to report the Mexican restaurant, El Cazador, is still around at 101 South Higgins, on the corner of Front Street. The phone number is: 406. 728-3657 and they too have a website: [www.elcazadormissoula.com](http://www.elcazadormissoula.com)

Good to talk with you,  
Judy

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**From:** Klein, Judy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 26, 2012 8:01 PM  
**To:** cddoig@comcast.net  
**Cc:** Plata, Glory; Anderson, Kim  
**Subject:** The Gala at the Wilma - MONTANA FESTIVAL OF THE BOOK

Dear Carol and Ivan,

We're all looking forward to welcoming you to the Book Festival, and back to our fair city next week.

I'm putting this into an email instead of telephoning, so that you can easily refer to times/streets/order of events, but we can certainly talk if you like on the phone tomorrow (Thursday). I will be in the Festival office all day, at 406.243.6022.

**GALA READING Friday, October 5th. at 7.30 pm**

**-- The Wilma Theatre, 131 South Higgins Avenue**

**-- Plan to arrive by 7:15**

**-- If you are not coming with Lois - who knows every nook and cranny - allow plenty of time to park as Friday night is a busy night in the big city.**

**--There is parking on the street downtown (no charge after 5.00 pm) , or you can go to a public parking lot near the Wilma. There is one lot off of Higgins, when you head west on Front Street and turn left into the public parking lot halfway down the block. Or you can turn east on Front Street, and take the first right onto Pattee Street, and turn into the parking lot there.**

**-- When you walk through the front door of the Wilma, you will see me or Kim and we'll surely recognize you. If they want a phone number, Kim's mobile is (406) 546-0304 and mine is 917.414.1578.**

**-- The Program will open with a welcome from the Executive Director of Humanities Montana, Ken Egan. Then there will be a message from Senator Tester, followed by Missoula's fabulous Mayor John Engen giving a hello. Next, Lois Welch will introduce Ivan. After Ivan is done, two more authors - David Quammen and Pam Houston - will read. Immediately afterward, Ivan and the others will autograph in the lobby of the Wilma.**

I hope this makes sense. Please do let me know, or give me a call at your convenience.

Yours,  
Judy

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Judy Klein

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **Montana bonanza**  
**Date:** October 11, 2012 6:10:12 AM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguinroup.com>, rebecca saletan  
<Rebecca.Saletan@us.penguinroup.com>  
**Cc:** "Liz D." <lizdlit@gmail.com>

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The road warriors are home, triumphant. The Montana trip hit the mark -- 507 books sold at the signings -- that I'd hoped for by extending the trip beyond Missoula and the festival of the book.

The festival drew a terrific audience of 900, with David Quammen and Pam Houston and me all at our best, and then petered out to a badly bottlenecked signing where we each sold a couple of dozen books. (Selling books is not the festival's primary interest, as I well knew.)

The real results were in the stores:

Fact and Fiction, Missoula, 63 sold at the signing, 19 pre-orders, and I signed 40 in stock. Barb Theroux, very veteran and savvy, figured she'll be re-ordering for the holidays.

The Nature Conservancy gig in Helena: SRO audience of about 250, 98 books sold at the signing there. The next day, in the store, The Montana Book Co -- hold on to your hats -- 242 sold in a solid two-hour line. All in all, we sold 340 of the 350 books they'd ordered, and they'll be re-ordering pronto, a hurry-up shipment from Ingram, and then a holiday batch directly from Penguin. (We'll be sending a separate email about this store, a hidden gem for PGI.)

Country Bookshelf, Bozeman, 55 sold, all they had, plus six bookplates for ordered books. They estimated they'd sold 200 before the signing, and they, too, will be ordering directly from Penguin.

In all immodesty, and Caro was there to witness, The Bartender and I were received rapturously at all these events. At the Conservancy gig, I was cited as a national treasure. This is humbling and thought provoking, but the main point here is that we served a prime constituency for my work by hitting the road, rugged as the travel was.

Best,  
Ivan



**From:** "Saletan, Rebecca" <Rebecca.Saletan@us.penguingroup.com>  
**Subject:** FW: Publicity Update for THE BARTENDER'S TALE / Ivan Doig (On-Sale TODAY: August 21, 9781594487354)  
**Date:** August 23, 2012 9:07:29 AM PDT  
**To:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>, Liz Darhansoff <liz@dvagency.com>

This is such an amazing review, among so many other good things popping. Costco just came back for 800 more books, and we're expecting a (smaller) early reorder from Amazon as well. Off to a lovely start ...

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**From:** Plata, Glory

**Sent:** Thursday, August 23, 2012 11:20 AM

**To:** Altendorf, Caitlin; Anderson, Kent; Audrain, Ashley; Baker, Marissa; Barnes, Connie; Bauers, William; Benton, Tom; Bergen, Maryvel; Brant, Tammy; Brooks, Anna; Budnick, Philip; Buehler, Mary Ann; Burdick, Diane; Burke, Craig D; Butler, Leigh; Cain, Joe; Calby, Vickie L; Cassidy, John; Castro, Christina; Cazeau, Marlyn; Che, Kevin; Clemens, Sara; Congdon, Vicki; Dano, Yvette; Dear, Sandra; Deykerhoff, Paul; Dros, Meredith; Duckworth, Marilyn J; Dudley, Andrew; Erazo, Nicole; Fessenden, Hal; Fitzpatrick, Paul; Glass, Erica G; Graynor, Heidi D.; Heffernan, Dick; Hirt, Lydia; Huber, Fred; Jacobsen, Lindsay A; Jenkins, Dominique; Johnston, Travis M; Kaye, Ken; Kenny, Joanne; Kirk Luna, Devin; Kliegman, Dave; Kloske, Geoffrey; Koger, Seniqua; Krueger, Karl; 'Lane, Timothy'; Laughter, Larry; Lawton, John M. ( PGI ); 'Leet, Tanya'; Lockley, Beth; Loomer, Scott; Lynch, Catharine; Ma, Wei Qiang; Malonzo, Michelle; Martin, William A; McCall, Tim; McDiarmid, Mark; McKiernan, Diane; McNierney, Patrick; Micic, Vesna; Miller, Leo; Mooney, Jon J; Morrissey, Kevin; Mosley, Chris; Narey, Dave; Natividad, Kristen L; Nelson, Christopher ( PGI ); Noble, Ed; O'Donnell, Irwin; Oliveri, Nancy; Pannek, Lisa; Pappas, Marianne; Parry, Kathrine; Patil, Harsh; Pavoni, Matthew; Pearl, Wendy; Perciasepe, Laura; Pirooz, Patti; Portnoy, Gary; Reynolds, Amy; Richardson, John; Ridge, Daniel; Robinson, Don; Schaeffer, Julie; Schurr, Michele A; Schwabinger, Jennifer; Shannon, Katya A.; Sheikh, Imran; Simpson, John; Smythe, Christian S; Soodek, Bonnie; Stark, Kate; Stone, Mary E; Tanusukma, Peggy; Thomson, Eva; Timony, Glenn; Van Vleck, Diana; Vertuca, Frank; Vines, Morgan A; Vitelli, Lisa; von Euler-Hogan, Malin S; Walker, Alan; Weinstein, Naomi; Welby, Alexis; Wilson, Clinton; Wood, Lindsay; Zaman, Suma; Zimmer, David; Martin, Jynne L; Freeman, Katharine R; McGinnis, Claire; Hohenadel, Elizabeth

**Cc:** Saletan, Rebecca; Trevorrow, Elaine

**Subject:** RE: Publicity Update for THE BARTENDER'S TALE / Ivan Doig (On-Sale TODAY: August 21, 9781594487354)

Hi all -

Another stellar review for THE BARTENDER'S TALE, this time from Malcolm Forbes of The Daily Beast, who calls Doig "the new Wallace Stegner":

<http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2012/08/22/the-new-wallace-stegner-ivan-doig-s-the-bartender-s-tale.html>

From the review: "Doig has been dubbed the successor to Wallace Stegner as the Dean of Western Writers, and with this expert novel, in which he sets himself a larger canvas and fills it with a diverse cast, he bears out the Stegner comparison. He evokes an end of an era and dramatizes the power of the past—standard themes of the American landscape novel. His characters' back stories are revealed to expose their at times duplicitous cores, as we witness Doig's most autobiographical novel to date, with a fictionalized rendering of some of the father-son escapades we encountered in his 1978 memoir *This House of Sky: Landscapes of a Western Mind*. Fact and fiction are skillfully fused to document a boy's last days of youth and a history his father can't leave behind."

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**From:** Plata, Glory

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 22, 2012 12:58 PM

**To:** Altendorf, Caitlin; Anderson, Kent; Audrain, Ashley; Baker, Marissa; Barnes, Connie; Bauers, William; Benton, Tom; Bergen, Maryvel; Brant, Tammy; Brooks, Anna; Budnick, Philip; Buehler, Mary Ann; Burdick, Diane; Burke, Craig D; Butler, Leigh; Cain, Joe; Calby, Vickie L; Cassidy, John; Castro, Christina; Cazeau, Marlyn; Che, Kevin; Clemens, Sara; Congdon, Vicki; Dano, Yvette; Dear, Sandra; Deykerhoff, Paul; Dros, Meredith; Duckworth, Marilyn J; Dudley, Andrew; Erazo, Nicole; Fessenden, Hal; Fitzpatrick, Paul; Glass, Erica G; Graynor, Heidi D.; Heffernan, Dick; Hirt, Lydia; Huber, Fred; Jacobsen, Lindsay A; Jenkins, Dominique; Johnston, Travis M; Kaye, Ken; Kenny, Joanne; Kirk Luna, Devin; Kliegman, Dave; Kloske, Geoffrey; Koger, Seniqua; Krueger, Karl; 'Lane, Timothy'; Laughter, Larry; Lawton, John M. ( PGI ); 'Leet, Tanya'; Lockley, Beth; Loomer, Scott; Lynch, Catharine; Ma, Wei Qiang; Malonzo, Michelle; Martin, William A; McCall, Tim; McDiarmid, Mark; McKiernan, Diane; McNierney, Patrick; Micic, Vesna; Miller, Leo; Mooney, Jon J; Morrissey, Kevin; Mosley, Chris; Narey, Dave; Natividad, Kristen L; Nelson, Christopher ( PGI ); Noble, Ed; O'Donnell, Irwin; Oliveri, Nancy; Pannek, Lisa; Pappas, Marianne; Parry, Kathrine; Patil, Harsh; Pavoni, Matthew; Pearl, Wendy; Perciasepe, Laura; Pirooz, Patti; Portnoy, Gary; Reynolds, Amy; Richardson, John; Ridge, Daniel; Robinson, Don; Schaeffer, Julie; Schurr, Michele A; Schwabinger, Jennifer; Shannon, Katya A.; Sheikh, Imran; Simpson, John; Smythe, Christian S; Soodek, Bonnie; Stark, Kate; Stone, Mary E; Tanusukma, Peggy; Thomson, Eva; Timony, Glenn; Van Vleck, Diana; Vertuca, Frank; Vines, Morgan A; Vitelli, Lisa; von Euler-Hogan, Malin S; Walker, Alan; Weinstein, Naomi; Welby, Alexis; Wilson, Clinton; Wood, Lindsay; Zaman, Suma; Zimmer, David; Martin, Jynne L; Freeman, Katharine R; McGinnis, Claire; Hohenadel, Elizabeth

**Cc:** Saletan, Rebecca; Trevorrow, Elaine

**Subject:** RE: Publicity Update for THE BARTENDER'S TALE / Ivan Doig (On-Sale TODAY: August 21, 9781594487354)

Hi all -

NPR's review for THE BARTENDER'S TALE is now online: <http://www.npr.org/2012/08/22/159362720/a-bartenders-tale-in-nostalgic-soft-focus>

From the review: "...Doig writes the tenderness between Rusty and his father vividly, and his facility with natural, vernacular dialogue is often hypnotizing. The voices are always human and fascinating, if occasionally familiar. *The Bartender's Tale* is thoroughly engaging, and the book's soft focus of nostalgia is in itself a kind of pleasure."

Thanks and all best,  
Glory

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**From:** Plata, Glory

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 21, 2012 4:39 PM

**To:** Altendorf, Caitlin; Anderson, Kent; Audrain, Ashley; Baker, Marissa; Barnes, Connie; Bauers, William; Benton, Tom; Bergen, Maryvel; Brant, Tammy; Brooks, Anna; Budnick, Philip; Buehler, Mary Ann; Burdick, Diane; Burke, Craig D; Butler, Leigh; Cain, Joe; Calby, Vickie L; Cassidy, John; Castro, Christina; Cazeau, Marlyn; Che, Kevin; Clemens, Sara; Congdon, Vicki; Dano, Yvette; Dear, Sandra; Deykerhoff, Paul; Dros, Meredith; Ducksworth, Marilyn J; Dudley, Andrew; Erazo, Nicole; Fessenden, Hal; Fitzpatrick, Paul; Glass, Erica G; Graynor, Heidi D.; Heffernan, Dick; Hirt, Lydia; Huber, Fred; Jacobsen, Lindsay A; Jenkins, Dominique; Johnston, Travis M; Kaye, Ken; Kenny, Joanne; Kirk Luna, Devin; Kliegman, Dave; Kloske, Geoffrey; Koger, Seniqua; Krueger, Karl; Lane, Timothy; Laughter, Larry; Lawton, John M. ( PGI ); Leet, Tanya; Lockley, Beth; Loomer, Scott; Lynch, Catharine; Ma, Wei Qiang; Malonzo, Michelle; Martin, William A; McCall, Tim; McDiarmid, Mark; McKiernan, Diane; McNierney, Patrick; Micic, Vesna; Miller, Leo; Mooney, Jon J; Morrissey, Kevin; Mosley, Chris; Narey, Dave; Natividad, Kristen L; Nelson, Christopher ( PGI ); Noble, Ed; O'Donnell, Irwin; Oliveri, Nancy; Pannek, Lisa; Pappas, Marianne; Parry, Kathrine; Patil, Harsh; Pavoni, Matthew; Pearl, Wendy; Perciasepe, Laura; Pirooz, Patti; Portnoy, Gary; Reynolds, Amy; Richardson, John; Ridge, Daniel; Robinson, Don; Schaeffer, Julie; Schurr, Michele A; Schwabinger, Jennifer; Shannon, Katya A.; Sheikh, Imran; Simpson, John; Smythe, Christian S; Soodek, Bonnie; Stark, Kate; Stone, Mary E; Tanusukma, Peggy; Thomson, Eva; Timony, Glenn; Van Vleck, Diana; Vertuca, Frank; Vines, Morgan A; Vitelli, Lisa; von Euler-Hogan, Malin S; Walker, Alan; Weinstein, Naomi; Welby, Alexis; Wilson, Clinton; Wood, Lindsay; Zaman, Suma; Zimmer, David; Martin, Jynne L; Freeman, Katharine R; McGinnis, Claire; Hohenadel, Elizabeth

**Cc:** Saletan, Rebecca; Trevorrow, Elaine

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Hi all – [An excerpt](#) from THE BARTENDER'S TALE by Ivan Doig (on-sale today!) is now available on [NPR.org](#), with a review scheduled to run tomorrow. A [lovely interview](#) with Ivan by the **Northwest Booksellers Association's** Thom Chambliss and Rene Kirkpatrick is also online.

National print/online publications that have confirmed coverage include **New York Magazine**, **Publishers Weekly**, **Associated Press**, **Shelf Awareness** (separate interview still to run), and **The Daily Beast**. And to show that Ivan's work appeals to readers of all generations, the book was recently featured as a must-read in the culture and fashion magazine **V Magazine** (attached). Terrific local coverage includes a nice mention in **Seattle Magazine**, a two page spread in **Montana Magazine** (attached), and a multimedia triple threat including a print review, online live chat, and TV appearance, all sponsored by the **Seattle Times** and their books editor Mary Ann Gwinn.

And as a reminder, Ivan's tour kicks off tonight at **Third Place Books!** Full roundup of media and events is below, with newest items in red.

All best,  
Glory

#### Television

"Well Read" / KBTC-TV (Tacoma, WA Public TV) – Taped in Studio (9/4)

#### Radio

"Weekday" / KUOW Public Radio (Seattle) – Live in studio – airing September 20

"The Bookshelf" / Spokane Public Radio – Taped in Studio (9/18) – airing week of September 24 *\*Will air several times throughout the week.*

"Write Question" / KUFM-FM (Montana Public Radio) – Taped in Studio (10/6) – to air October 7

#### Print & Online Media

[Seattle Times](#) (circ. 236,929) – Mention in BEA article - May 28

[Publishers Weekly](#) – Starred Review - June 11

[New York Magazine](#) (circ. 405,398) – Mention in Summer Calendar - June 25-July 2 (double issue)

[Publishers Weekly](#) – Author profile - July 9

[Library Journal](#) – Review August 1

[Kirkus Reviews](#) – Starred Review - August 1

[Booklist](#) – Starred Review - August 1

[Montana Magazine](#) (circ. 30,000) – Feature - July/August Issue

[The Denver Post](#) (circ. 353,115) – Mention in Newly Released column - August 19

[Seattle Magazine](#) (circ. 44,282) - Review August Issue

[Associated Press](#) – Review - August TBD

[Seattle Times](#) – Review - August TBD

[V Magazine](#) (circ. 300,000) – Inclusion in summer must-reads - Fall Issue

[NW Book Lovers Blog](#) (official blog of the NW Booksellers Association) – Feature Interview August 16

[Shelf Awareness](#) – Review - August 6

[Publishers Weekly Online](#) – Inclusion in PW Picks column - August 17

[PW Tip Sheet Newsletter](#) – Featured Ivan's PW profile - August 18

[Examiner.com](#) – Mentioned in Top 10 newly released books - August 20

[NPR.org](#) – Excerpt (review to come) - August 20

[Bookreporter.com](#) – Review - August 23

[Shelf Awareness](#) – Interview - August TBD

[The Daily Beast](#) – Review - August TBD

[NPR.org](#) – Review - August TBD

[The SunBreak](#) – Review w/ event mentions - August TBD

[SeattleTimes.com](#) – Live chat with fans (arranged by Mary Ann Gwinn) - September 4

[Portland Book Review](#) – Original piece by Ivan in "Writers on Writing" section - September Issue

#### EVENTS

August 21 - Seattle, WA

Third Place Books, 7 PM

August 25 - Edmonds, WA

Edmonds Bookshop, 12 PM

August 30 - Bainbridge Island, WA

Eagle Harbor Books, 7:30 PM

**September 6 - Kirkland, WA**

Park Place Books, 7 PM

**September 10 - Seattle, WA**

Elliott Bay Books - Off-site at Downtown Seattle Public Library

Author Circle Reception (private), 6 PM

Reading/Signing (public), 7 PM

**September 14- Portland, OR**

Powell's City of Books (Burnside), 7:30 PM

**September 15 - Lake Oswego, OR**

Graham's Bookshop, 12:30 PM

**September 18 - Spokane, WA**

Auntie's Bookstore, 7 PM

**September 20 -Seattle, WA**

University Book Store, 7 PM

**September 23 - Kirkland, WA**

Northwest BookFest, 11AM-1PM

**September 28 - Bellingham, WA**

Village Books, 7 PM

**September 29 - Anacortes, WA**

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**October 7-8 - Helena, MT**

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**From:** "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguin.com>  
**Subject:** **Open Letters Monthly - Interview Request**  
**Date:** August 6, 2012 2:01:48 PM PDT  
**To:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>

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Hi Ivan –

Steve Donoghue is the Managing Editor of the literary journal [Open Letters Monthly](#). They specialize in lively, in-depth pieces on a wide variety of subjects, and they're planning to review *THE BARTENDER'S TALE* for an upcoming issue. He's also interested in doing a brief e-mail Q&A with you if you're willing! If you're fine with answering 4-5 questions maximum for them, please let me know so that I can connect the two of you directly.

Thank you!  
Glory

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**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** weekend results  
**Date:** October 1, 2012 8:35:36 AM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>, rebecca saletan  
<Rebecca.Saletan@us.penguingroup.com>



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Glory and Becky, hi. Good results at Bellingham and Anacortes (which you will recall we restored to the schedule when the motorcycle jamboree went away). At both stores, the signings doubled the sales total -- from 30 to 63 at Village Books, from 20 to 41 at Watermark. I had pressed Patti at Watermark to have at least 50 books, and as I signed up more than 20 in stock as we left, she nicely outdid that in her ordering. By the way, she says the PNBA Christmas catalog is a great help to her store. Chuck Robinson at Village Books will make the Bartender his recommended gift selection in their big seasonal emailing.

While we were in the area, we stopped at another, smaller store, the Snow Goose in Stanwood, and signed their stock of 20 or so -- and those were a re-order, so all three of these stalwart indies have been selling the book really well.

Best,  
Ivan

**From:** "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>  
**Subject:** **RE: Request for interview - The Bartender's Tale**  
**Date:** September 27, 2012 6:35:39 AM PDT  
**To:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>

Good morning, both - I'm waiting to hear from Mariah about those dates (though I assumed you meant October 2 or 4, not November?).

I did give the Montana Book Festival folks a nudge yesterday, and you should've received a note from them about the various details of the festival. I'll add those notes to your schedule and send an updated version to you soon.

Bellingham tomorrow! I hope the weather out there is better than in NYC. It's supposed to rain all weekend here, unfortunately.

All best,  
Glory

-----Original Message-----

**From:** carol doig [mailto:cddoig@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 26, 2012 4:11 PM  
**To:** Plata, Glory  
**Subject:** Re: Request for interview - The Bartender's Tale

Mariah Briggs message has a discrepancy: she says Tuesdays in one place and Thursdays in another. Ivan could do it either November 2 or 4.

Also, could you nudge out of the Montana Book Festival, the details of the event -- who we report to and what time, as well as the time of the event.

Thanks,  
Carol

On Sep 26, 2012, at 10:40 AM, Plata, Glory wrote:

| Hi Ivan - Are you interested in fitting this into the schedule sometime within the next week or so? Looks like most of their availabilities are on Thursday in October and November, between 2-3 PM PST. Let me know if you're interested and I'll set it up!

All best,  
Glory

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**From:** mariah@mariahbriggs.com [mailto:mariah@mariahbriggs.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 25, 2012 2:37 PM  
**To:** PGI Putnam  
**Subject:** Request for interview - The Bartender's Tale

Dear Sirs,

I have a weekly radio program on KOHI Radio where I interview authors

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **Seattle Times hoopla**  
**Date:** September 18, 2012 8:08:45 AM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>, rebecca saletan  
<Rebecca.Saletan@us.penguingroup.com>, "Liz D." <lizdlit@gmail.com>



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I was idly reading my Seattle Times this morning when I came to a half-page story headlined "The work (and life) of a Western Icon," and guess who it is. It's the print version of the online chat session, and it's amazing how much sharper and smarter it looks in real paragraphs. It led the page called Your Tuesday, featuring media and entertainment. Mary Ann Gwinn included a box about the forthcoming U. Bookstore gig, too. Couldn't ask for better.

And wasn't the School Library Journal review a welcome piece of marketing.

I'm off to the airport and Spokane in a couple of hours. Will report in tomorrow.

Best,  
Ivan

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** Re: the chat  
**Date:** September 13, 2012 8:14:25 AM PDT  
**To:** Mary Ann Gwinn <mgwinn@seattletimes.com>



Hi, Mary Ann. Kudos to The Times team for bringing off the online highwire act so seamlessly -- all the friends who've seen it thought it was dandy. And yes, John Lok wrought a miracle in getting a good shot of me in a minute or two while everybody was lining up at the fire exit stairs.

So we'll take our act on the road, thee and me, at the NW bookfest. See ya then.

Ivan

On Sep 11, 2012, at 1:22 PM, Mary Ann Gwinn wrote:

Dear Ivan and Carol: thank you so very much for coming in today. It truly was fun.

Here's the link to the "chat."

It looks like you even squeezed out a photo! I hope you weren't accosted by any fire marshals.

cheers, Mary Ann Gwinn

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Holly Henke  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 1:08 PM  
**To:** Mary Ann Gwinn  
**Subject:** URL FOR IVAN

Mary Ann, if you'd like to send Ivan the url for the chat, here it is:

[http://seattletimes.com/html/artspage/2019095714\\_join\\_author\\_ivan\\_doig\\_on\\_tuesday\\_for\\_a\\_live\\_chat.html](http://seattletimes.com/html/artspage/2019095714_join_author_ivan_doig_on_tuesday_for_a_live_chat.html)



**From:** "Mary Ann Gwinn" <mgwinn@seattletimes.com>  
**Subject:** **FW: the chat**  
**Date:** September 11, 2012 1:22:05 PM PDT  
**To:** "carol doig" <cddoig@comcast.net>

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**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 1:08 PM  
**To:** Mary Ann Gwinn  
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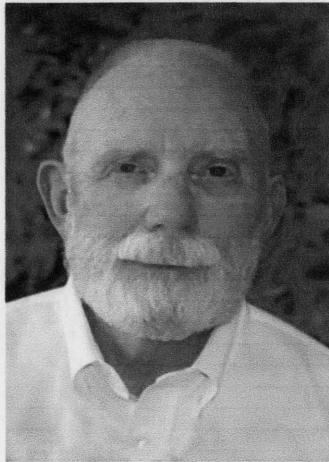


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### Ivan Doig

Doig grew up along the Rocky Mountain Front, a dramatic landscape that has inspired much of his writing. He is the author of 12 books of fiction and nonfiction, including the highly acclaimed memoir *This House of Sky*, which was a finalist for the National Book Award. His recent bestseller, *The Whistling Season*, was named a *New York Times* Editors' Choice and a *Washington Post Book World* Best Book of the Year.

Website: <http://www.ivandoig.com/>



### Elizabeth George

Winner of the Anthony Award, the Agatha Award, and France's Le Grand Prix de Literature Policiere and nominated for the Edgar, this mystery writer is best known for her Inspector Lynley mysteries, which have been filmed for television by the BBC and broadcast in the U.S. on the PBS series, *Mystery*. Although a Midwesterner by birth, George was dubbed a "master of the English mystery" by *The New York Times*. Her recent releases include *Careless in Red*, *This Body of Death* and *Believing the Lie*.

Website: <http://www.elizabethgeorgeonline.com/>

**From:** "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>  
**Subject:** **FW: Northwest Bookfest Information**  
**Date:** September 10, 2012 3:50:51 PM PDT  
**To:** cddoig@comcast.net  
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Hi Ivan – Attached is your most up-to-date tour schedule, starting from tonight's event through the end of the tour. It now includes the confirmed private cars that you requested for your trips to Portland and Missoula.

Below are details sent from the Northwest Bookfest. I've added the most important points to your schedule, but there's extra information about the festival in the email below, just in case you're curious! You can also find a full schedule of events that are to take place throughout their multiple venues here: <http://nwbookfest.com/events/saturday-schedule-of-events/sunday-schedule>

Let me know if you have any questions!

All best,  
Glory

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**From:** Deborah Schneider [mailto:dschneid@kcls.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 07, 2012 7:24 PM  
**To:** Plata, Glory  
**Subject:** Northwest Bookfest Information

Hello Glory,  
Please pass this on to Ivan Doig.

Thank you for being part of Northwest Bookfest, September 22 and 23, 10am – 6pm, in downtown Kirkland.

I am confirming your author interview with Mary Ann Gwinn on September 23, 11:30am – 12:30pm, (program ends at 12:30pm and book signing follows).

Location: Parkplace Books (see address below)  
Your name badge will be at the venue where you are speaking.

Publicity Information – please note I can make changes on the [www.nwbookfest.com](http://www.nwbookfest.com) site but not in printed materials. The complete schedule is now listed on the website.

Parking: There is a parking garage adjacent to the site for the library and surrounding buildings. There is parking at Parkplace Center, street parking and several paid parking lots near the festival. Please pay attention to limited parking restrictions, as these will be enforced during Bookfest.

A hospitality room will be provided at the Peter Kirk Community Center, with water, coffee and refreshments. Also, there will be a coffee bar at the Kirkland Teen Union Building and we have food trucks coming to the festival. They will be parked in front of the Peter Kirk Community Center.

Parkplace Books is the official book seller. They have a list of all the authors and will be handling book sales. If you need to contact Rebecca or Mary, Email is best, [parkplacebooks@integra.net](mailto:parkplacebooks@integra.net)  
The book store will also be located in the Peter Kirk Community Center. There will be book sales in the Teen Union Building, the Kirkland Performance Center and at Parkplace Books. There will not be sales in the library, so those book signings will happen at the Book Store following the program.

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** weekend gigs  
**Date:** September 24, 2012 6:59:47 AM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguinroup.com>, rebecca saletan  
<Rebecca.Saletan@us.penguinroup.com>



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We got our 20 minutes of fame on West Coast Live, although it looked chancy when host Sedge Thompson kept on with a windy interview of an old actor who is also his uncle -- we saw the show director make the cut gesture at least three times. But I was scheduled in the last 10 minutes of the first hour and the first 10 of the second hour, so it worked out with a chance to read the opening of the *Bartender* and some really pretty good conversation with Sedge. Shaggy but successful.

Mary Ann Gwinn is not shaggy, but a solid pro and our Northwest Bookfest event went very well, with a crowd of 125 and a bunch more books signed up for Parkplace Books.

And the *Bartender* was #1 again in the Sunday Seattle Times local bestseller list, thanks to the University Bookstore. The list is hardbacks, fiction and nonfiction together -- all in all a good enough week, with that #1 PNBA listing again.

Best,  
Ivan

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **NPR show andUBook store**  
**Date:** September 21, 2012 8:27:45 AM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>

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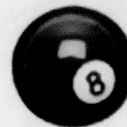
First, do we have confirmation of three reserved seats for the NPR production tomorrow?

Then, a report from U Bookstore: Crowd of 100, capacity for their reading area. Healthy sales, although they'll have to give you a number -- one couple bought 10 for their reading group.

Thanks for tending to the Tacoma hotel -- we can space out the signing of the 150 books now.

Ivan and Carol

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **Re: tickets & seats for radio show.**  
**Date:** September 20, 2012 10:36:55 AM PDT  
**To:** "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>



Thanks for handling all that. KUOW went well; Steve Sher is a great old pro, and we had 25 minutes of good airtime conversation, including reading from the book for nearly three minutes.

Ready for tonight's bookstore event, which in the past has always been worth doing.

Best,  
Ivan

On Sep 20, 2012, at 7:52 AM, Plata, Glory wrote:

Of course, Carol! I'll also work on getting that hotel room for you at PNBA. Will let you know when that's confirmed.

Wish Ivan luck this morning! I'm sure he'll give a fine interview.

All best,  
Glory

-----Original Message-----

From: carol doig [mailto:cddoig@comcast.net]  
Sent: Thursday, September 20, 2012 10:44 AM  
To: Plata, Glory  
Subject: tickets & seats for radio show.

Hi, Glory. Please ask the radio folk to reserve three seats: one for me and two for the friends who have kindly invited us to lunch. If it's a ticketed affair, please have three reserved at the door.

Hastily -- we're on our way to KUOW.

Carol

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **Re: Terrific Media News!**  
**Date:** September 19, 2012 8:15:33 AM PDT  
**To:** "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>



Hello, Glory. I'm going to pencil in the IR interview. Ivan won't be back until at least mid-day, or maybe later, since it's a foggy morning in Puget Sound country. Visibility at the airport early today was half a mile.

Let's try 3:30 (4:30 Helena time) on September 27.

Thanks  
Carol

On Sep 18, 2012, at 11:45 AM, Plata, Glory wrote:

Hi Ivan – You're probably boarding your flight to Spokane as I write this, but I just wanted to run some exciting media news by you! (Carol, maybe you can mention this to Ivan if you happen to chat with him on the phone this evening?)

The national NPR radio program "West Coast Live" / KALW-FM (San Francisco) is doing a special taping of the program from the Port Townsend Film Festival this Saturday, 9/22. The producer really enjoyed *The Bartender's Tale* and asked if you'd be willing to be a guest! This would take place from 2:00—4:00 PM and will air the following weekend on 9/29. I'm sure you're familiar with the show, but in case not, it's a variety show that features author interviews and musical performances. They tape in front of a live audience and often follow author interviews with a book signing. This is a show we always hope our authors are invited to do because of its tremendous popularity and national reach!

Second, a reporter from the Independent Record in Helena, MT would like to interview you by phone next week for their arts & entertainment section. Are you free on any of the below days to do this?

- September 24 at 8 AM your time
- September 25 at 8 AM your time OR anytime in the afternoon
- September 27 at anytime that's best for you

Please let me know at your earliest convenience about your availability for both of these.

Thank you and safe travels!  
Glory

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**From:** "Saletan, Rebecca" <Rebecca.Saletan@us.penguin.com>  
**Subject:** **FW: Ivan / West Coast Live**  
**Date:** September 18, 2012 11:27:39 AM PDT  
**To:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>

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Ivan,  
This is a great show and really worth extending yourself for. Please say yes!  
Becky

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**From:** Plata, Glory  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 18, 2012 2:20 PM  
**To:** Saletan, Rebecca  
**Subject:** Ivan / West Coast Live

Hi Becky – Terrific news! The national NPR show “West Coast Live” will be doing a special show in Port Townsend, WA this Saturday and they want Ivan on the show. Junot just did this show over the weekend. It’s a live ticketed event and they sell books.

Glory

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**From:** "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>  
**Subject:** FW: Ivan Doig Appearance Request for "The Bartender's Tale"  
**Date:** September 5, 2012 9:57:27 AM PDT  
**To:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>

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Hi Ivan and Carol – The folks at Wy'east Book Shoppe & Art Gallery are inviting you to participate in a dinner and talk event at The Resort at the Mountain sometime in October. A link to the hotel is below. They'd cover your travel and hotel expenses if you agree to join in.

As for a date, they prefer any Friday night in October. October 12, 19 and 26 are currently available on the calendar I'm keeping for you. Let me know if you're interested and I'll set everything up!

All best,  
Glory

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**From:** Sandra Palmer [mailto:sandra.palmer622@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 30, 2012 5:29 PM  
**To:** PGI Putnam  
**Subject:** Ivan Doig Appearance Request for "The Bartender's Tale"

I'm interested in hosting an event with Ivan Doig to focus on "The Bartender's Tale."

I'm thinking a dinner and talk with Ivan at The Resort at the Mountain with the price of admission including a copy of the book. In October, possibly a Friday night.

[www.theresort.com](http://www.theresort.com)

Ivan has good friends (Bill and Marianne Lang) in our community who would love to invite him to stay with them for a day or so.

With a mention of the event in the Oregonian's Events and Books section, I think that we could draw quite a crowd. I love the book and I'm busy hand-selling it after reviewing it in the local newspaper.

Please let me know if this might be a possibility.

Best Regards,  
Sandy

Sandra Palmer  
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**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **Re: Rave from the Associated Press!**  
**Date:** September 5, 2012 12:30:14 PM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>, rebecca saletan  
<Rebecca.Saletan@us.penguingroup.com>, "Liz D." <lizdlit@gmail.com>



Wahoo! The AP provides terrific news, once again. We've had great luck in the past with the AP review being picked up hither and yon. And this is an even stronger review. Coupled with the uptick in the Indie List, this has been a fine day.

Best and better,  
Ivan

On Sep 5, 2012, at 10:51 AM, Plata, Glory wrote:

Hi Ivan – Another terrific review, this time from the AP:  
<http://abcnews.go.com/Entertainment/wireStory/review-doig-spins-masterful-bartenders-tale-17150997#.UEeQebJbdxU>

It's already being picked up by media outlets nationwide. I love the last line about the book: "Pick it up, lose yourself in the past and remember what it was like to be 12 years old, when your world and all the people who entered into it felt as fresh as the Montana mountain air."

All best,  
Glory

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**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **Re: Tuesday Plans**  
**Date:** September 17, 2012 10:41:54 AM PDT  
**To:** Midge McGilvray <midgemcg@hotmail.com>



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Good plan, Midge. See you t 4:55 tomorrow.  
Ivan

On Sep 17, 2012, at 10:05 AM, Midge McGilvray wrote:

Dear Carol and Ivan,  
Our skimpy local newspaper (always applies to Mondays) this morning DID feature a very attractive color photo of Ivan and the cover of his novel in the "Today" section, at the bottom of the listing called "Your Week"!

One more thing I forgot ... on Tuesday evening how about I'll meet Ivan at the entrance to the Safari Room about 4:55 p.m., unless he has a better plan. I look forward to seeing Ivan tomorrow. Wish you could also be here, Carol. Best wishes, Midge

**From:** Midge McGilvray <midgemcg@hotmail.com>  
**Subject:** Ivan's Spokane Visit  
**Date:** September 9, 2012 8:33:36 PM PDT  
**To:** Carol Doig <cddoig@comcast.net>

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Dear Carol and Ivan,

Isn't CELEBRATING (what you're both doing now) just the very BEST!!! And I'm excited to also be even a small part of that on the 18th. And your package certainly improved MY week. I started feeling ill on Wed. (froggy throat, slight fever). Then for the next three days I began spiking a fever up to 102. It might have been an early version of the flu (haven't had my shot yet). Your book arrived on Thursday, I believe, and after that I felt better every day. The fever has not appeared yet today. We'll see how this evening goes!

I'll call and make reservations for 5 at Aunties, but I'd suggest you google (or whatever) The Davenport and their dining rooms (at least 3) and decide which one you might like best.

The Davenport is at 10 South Post Street, Spokane, WA, 99201. Aunties is 7 average city blocks away on the corner of W. Main and Washington. If you use Google maps you'll see it. I'm pretty sure I could walk it about as fast or faster than it would take to retrieve the car from the hotel garage (at Auntie's you'd leap out (well, maybe not leap) and I'd go park). Probably take about 15 minutes at a fairly brisk pace, allowing for stop lights, etc., if I had parked on the street close to the hotel. What do YOU think?

And Ivan, do you want me to pick you up at the airport and get you to the hotel? Just let me know.

THANK YOU soooo much for the lovely, autographed book. That will provide me with many happy hours, I know. I'm thrilled that the reviews have been SO good. Looking forward to seeing you, Ivan, and maybe I'll find a way to see Carol this fall (I hope). Best wishes, Midge

**P.S. I wasn't proofreading (honest), but I did notice on Ivan's website that you might want to change the day on this "Reading date" to "Monday":**

**Tuesday, October 8, 12:00 PM**

Montana Book Company  
331 N Last Chance Gulch  
Helena, Montana 59601  
406-443-0260

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**From:** midgemcg@hotmail.com  
**To:** cddoig@comcast.net  
**Subject:** RE: one more thing  
**Date:** Fri, 27 Jul 2012 16:59:47 -0700

Hi Carol,

Now THAT'S what I call EXCITING!! I'll be in Spokane Sept. 18th and look forward to seeing Ivan again, and the only thing that would improve that day would be your presence! I will definitely put that on my calendar. That's quite a schedule they've given Ivan, but if I'm able to do some grandchild visiting in Seattle, I'll call and see if I can get together with the three of you! Many thanks, Midge

> Subject: Re: one more thing  
> From: cddoig@comcast.net  
> Date: Wed, 25 Jul 2012 14:42:04 -0700  
> To: midgemcg@hotmail.com  
>

> Wild out there on the net, isn't it. We'll take a look at unclaimed property when life around here calms down a bit. Thanks!

>  
> What's going on is the publication of Ivan's novel, The Bartender's Tale, due out August 21. There's been a steady stream of pre-pub chores, and very good early reviews in the trade publications -- three out of four starred, and he fourth a good one, too.

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> He's scheduled for Aunties on September 18, so if you're not traveling the world you'd have a chance to connect. It's a quick

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**Spokane Public Radio****From** : Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>

Mon, Jul 30, 2012 09:58 PM

**Subject** : Spokane Public Radio**To** : carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>

Hi Ivan –

I just left you a message on your answering machine, but I thought I'd send you a quick e-mail in case you check your inbox this evening. Nancy Roth of Spokane Public Radio's "The Bookshelf" program would love to do a pre-recorded in-depth interview with you prior to your event at Auntie's. She loved *Work Song* and is about half-way through *The Bartender's Tale*...she loves it so far and is excited to possibly meet you!

In order for your interview to air before your Auntie's event (which is the ideal situation), you'd have to fly into Spokane a day early – on Monday, September 17. We can put you on a flight arriving in Spokane at 1 PM that day, you'd go straight to the studio to tape the interview, and then have the rest of the evening free.

If you don't feel up to hanging out in Spokane for an additional day, we can still fly you in on the morning of Tuesday, September 18 as originally planned. You'd still tape with Nancy, but your segment wouldn't air until later that week. The timing isn't ideal but it would nevertheless be a great way to promote the book.

Riverhead can definitely put extend your Davenport Hotel reservation an extra night, and I can work on getting you a rental car or an escort to take you to and from your appointments on both days. Just let me know which plan of action you prefer J

All best,  
Glory

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Rodney Crowell  
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**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **Portland -- grand results**  
**Date:** September 17, 2012 10:39:30 AM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguinroup.com>, rebecca saletan  
<Rebecca.Saletan@us.penguinroup.com>



Both Portland stores proclaimed themselves really happy with the sales totals. Kevin, the peerless escort, got the Powells numbers -- 80 sold that night plus 26 pre-orders. At Graham's, despite direct competition from gorgeous weather, a farmers' market, and a U. of Oregon football game, we sold 30, which Terry Graham thought was just great. And for us it was a chance to introduce the Bartender's Tale to an upscale, bookbuying public. The Lake Oswego librarian, who presides over their annual community read, gave me the wink that I might be their first repeat author. All in all, a most useful trip.

And we can add one more bestseller list to thee Bartender's total: it was the #1 hardback (no distinction fiction and nonfiction) in the Sunday Seattle Times local list.

Onward to Spokane.

Best,  
Ivan

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **Re: Northwest Bookfest 2012**  
**Date:** September 7, 2012 8:28:19 AM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguinroup.com>, Becky Saletan  
<rebecca.saletan@us.penguinroup.com>



First, Glory, OK on the Mary Ann Gwinn interview at Bookfest.

Parkplace last night had a pretty good crowd of about 60, not bad given that we were up against Barack, which made me cringe a little, but there it was. The store sold 32 copies, plus more paperbacks than the other stores so far. I signed up the rest as stock and will be back there soon for the bookfest, to sell some more.

Still glowing after yesterday's bestseller reports.

Best, Ivan

On Sep 6, 2012, at 2:53 PM, Plata, Glory wrote:

Hi Ivan – Deborah over at the Northwest Book Festival wants to know if you're OK with having your September 23 event be an interview/conversation with Mary Ann Gwinn instead of a solo reading. Sounds like Mary Ann is keen on doing this, but everyone of course wants to make sure you approve. Let me know what you have a second?

Thanks!  
Glory

From: Deborah Schneider [mailto:dschneid@kcls.org]  
Sent: Thursday, September 06, 2012 5:43 PM  
To: Plata, Glory  
Subject: RE: Northwest Bookfest 2012

Hi Glory,  
Mary Ann Gwinn, (book reviewer for the Seattle Times) has contacted me about interviewing Ivan at Bookfest. I know he wanted to do a reading, but she is excited about this.

Do you want to run it by him?

The schedule is up on our Northwest Bookfest page, [www.nwbookfest.com](http://www.nwbookfest.com)

Thank you,  
Deborah

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** Alaska Airlines mileage plan  
**Date:** September 14, 2012 2:24:06 PM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>



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I'm just catching up on the week's chores, Glory, while Ivan's out of town. I think we gave you Ivan's mileage plan number, and I hope you had a chance to forward that to Kim Anderson, too. By now he has three trips coming on Alaska and I'd love to have those miles. (I'm dreaming of Tucson in January.) In case we failed to provide it, it's 34773852.

No rush at all on this. Happy weekend.  
Carol



**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **Seattle Public Library knockout**  
**Date:** September 11, 2012 8:28:48 AM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguinrougroup.com>, rebecca saletan  
<Rebecca.Saletan@us.penguinrougroup.com>, "Liz D." <lizdlit@gmail.com>



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The only word for last night's library gig is sensational. Overflow crowd of 400, the great Rick of Elliott Bay inimitably introducing me, and while Rick will have to tell you how many books we sold, I signed and signed. Should be a terrific boost for the book. (Carol's note: Ivan was in best form in both the reading and audience conversation afterward.)

And we'll keep on with the heavy lifting. A few hours from now, at the Seattle Times online chat. Friends have been pitching in questions, so we'll hope the surf's up and it's a good ride.

The new schedule looks fine, Glory, thanks a million for tending to the transport problem.

Best,  
Ivan

**From:** "Saletan, Rebecca" <Rebecca.Saletan@us.penguin.com>  
**Subject:** RE: Post review  
**Date:** September 4, 2012 8:14:59 AM PDT  
**To:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>, "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguin.com>

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Excellent, especially re placement. Your suspicions re digital vs print sales likely true – I don't have hard data yet, but your Amazon digital ranking is higher than your print ranking (and both quite good).

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**From:** carol doig [mailto:cddoig@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 04, 2012 11:08 AM  
**To:** Plata, Glory; Saletan, Rebecca  
**Subject:** Fwd: Post review

I thought you two would enjoy the attached from our most media-savvy friend in the D.C. area. She is smart and blunt, so if she thinks it's very good, it is. Take particular note of the placement in the print edition, which is ideal.

We'll be off to Tacoma just after 9, leaving extra time because of potential gridlock on I-5.

Best,  
Carol

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Linda Miller <miller9820@gmail.com>  
**Date:** September 1, 2012 7:30:50 AM PDT  
**To:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** Post review

Very good review in the Wn Post this morning. High praise and 99 % positive (he didn't like swift). Good play--front page of the Style section, top of the right-hand column--and no jump, the whole story is on Page One. I told you, they just plop the occasional book review now any old place in the paper, but usually below the fold. I don't know the name of the reviewer, he's not staff--"Special to the Post" means free-lance.

More later, I'm on page 328. Let me know (before I let the dog pee on it) if you want my paper copy, or if you've gone all-digital.

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **Eagle Harbor**  
**Date:** August 31, 2012 8:27:41 AM PDT  
**To:** Becky Saletan <rebecca.saletan@us.penguingroup.com>, Glory Plata  
<Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>



Pretty sure we saw Kindle effect last night, when there was a full house, 80-some (and Carol thinks it was bigger; they kept running out of chairs and the audience stretched almost to the street), and 31 copies sold. The store's location, Bainbridge Island, is straight across the water from Seattle, a distinctly upscale suburb full of affluent ferry commuters to downtown law firms, U of Washington, banks, and Amazonians and staff of Paul Allen's Vulcan empire. They're about as techie online types as we're likely to encounter. A least it was the ultimate cheapie: our friends grabbed the upscale dinner check and the bookstore provided the transportation and the total cost was two senior fares on the ferry and a dab of mileage.

I hope the store paid off the volunteer driver, Mary Gleysteen, with a book, but I'm not sure it happened in the shuffle of racing to the ferry. If they didn't, can we?

That's it until we all enjoy the holiday -- we'll report on the Tacoma TV gig next week.

Best,  
Ivan

**From:** Events Coordinator <events@eagleharborbooks.com>  
**Subject:** Re: Ivan Doig Event - August 30?  
**Date:** August 14, 2012 11:59:47 AM PDT  
**To:** "Plata, Glory" <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>, Mary Gleysteen <marygleysteen@gmail.com>, cddoig@comcast.net

Glory,

Mary Gleysteen, a former bookseller and events coordinator here at EHBC, will pick Ivan up. We know he and his wife are catching the 3:55 ferry from Edmonds, which arrives in Kingston at 4:20. The Doigs will be at the bottom of the ramp, and Mary will bring them to Bainbridge (they are having dinner with friends) -- and will return them to the Kingston ferry at the end of the evening.

*lv store @ 9:05  
for 9:40 ferry*

Mary's cell is 360-265-1589.

We are very excited for his visit. The book is wonderful, and we have folks pre-ordering and signing up for seats already!

Many thanks,

Victoria Irwin  
Events Coordinator  
Eagle Harbor Book Company  
206-842-5332

On 8/8/2012 3:53 PM, Plata, Glory wrote:

Hi Victoria - I spoke to Ivan today, and he mentioned that either you or a friend had so kindly offered to pick him up from the ferry landing (the one closest to Ivan) on the day of his event. Would you mind sending me the contact information (a cell number is preferred)? That way I can make sure to get it into Ivan's schedule in case he needs it.

All best,  
Glory

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**From:** Events Coordinator [<mailto:events@eagleharborbooks.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 01, 2012 4:42 PM  
**To:** Plata, Glory  
**Subject:** Re: Ivan Doig Event - August 30?

Thanks, Glory! I'll put it on our website, calendars, etc.! Perfect --- already been alerting customers. We have a book group reading *Dancing at the Rascal Fair* right now ...

Victoria

On 5/1/2012 1:20 PM, Plata, Glory wrote:

Hi Victoria - Spoke to Ivan yesterday, so let's go ahead and confirm his August 30th event at 7:30 PM. I've attached a couple of JPEGs here in case you'd like to use them for promo. I'll make sure to send you a copy of the book and a poster about a month prior to the event. Let me know if you have any questions!

Thanks,  
Glory

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**From:** Events Coordinator [<mailto:events@eagleharborbooks.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 23, 2012 4:24 PM  
**To:** Plata, Glory  
**Subject:** Re: Ivan Doig Event - August 30?

Glory,

We are thrilled to be having Ivan again! Our events start at 7:30pm, and Aug. 30th is great. I'll put it in ink on our calendar and will start getting it on calendar's shortly!

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** Re: reserved seats  
**Date:** August 14, 2012 1:15:03 PM PDT  
**To:** Ann Nelson <chboo96@aol.com>



We'll see that reservations are made, and we look forward to dinner with you.

Our version of fun is the project Ivan has going on the lower porch. We suspect we have carpenter ants in a post -- a post that holds up the upper deck. Whoops! By now we're all well-versed in the joys of homeownership. Nevertheless what a beautiful day.

On Aug 14, 2012, at 1:04 PM, Ann Nelson wrote:

Thanks for the heads-up, Carol. There will be three of us -- Laird is coming too.

We are having fun. I'm at home waiting for the septic tank pumpers to show up (routine maintenance -- no disasters.) The other fun was digging holes in the yard this weekend, trying to locate and uncover the access ports for the two tanks. Naturally, being part English, I waited to do it in the noonday sun.

Marshall

-----Original Message-----

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**To:** Ann Nelson <chboo96@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tue, Aug 14, 2012 12:45 pm  
**Subject:** reserved seats

Hiya! We just got an email from Eagle Harbor, telling us people already are reserving seats for Ivan's reading on the 30th. So if you can tell me how many Nelsons will be in attendance, we'll see to reserved seats for thee and me.

Hope you're having fun, wherever you are.....Carol

18 June: called Victoria to ask for ride to and from Kingston, given Seattle waterfront chaos, she said no problem, Mary Gleysteen is retired & living in K'ton, shd be able to do it. V. will email us confirmation.

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Edmonds / Kingston

Monday through Friday Leave Edmonds

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6:20 2	12:40 2	7:00 2
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11:10 2	5:25 2	11:10 2 ▲

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11:45 1
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- 6/18-The Sounder Train service between Seattle and Everett...
- Summer 2012 schedule will begin on Sunday, June 17, 2012...

Monday through Friday Leave Kingston

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Legend

- 1 Walla Walla
- 2 Spokane
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- ◆ Sunday only.

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**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** Re: Seattle Times, plus two others!  
**Date:** August 27, 2012 8:28:13 AM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguinroup.com>, Becky Saletan  
<rebecca.saletan@us.penguinroup.com>, "Liz D." <lizdlit@gmail.com>



Hi, gang. The book had a good weekend. In addition to the Seattle Times review, the Edmonds signing -- the store there is a nice welcoming one that's a smalltown institution and is very professionally run -- went well, 63 copies sold out of 80, the rest signed for stock. And besides the review in the Seattle Times, a quarter-page ad featuring my mug ran at least three days -- starting back in the racetrack results, onward through baseball batting averages the next day, and shazam, into the front section on Sunday!

A stray item -- Becky, a logical comp recipient escaped my thinking until now. Dana Gioia, one of our stablemates in the house of Penguin, was paired with me by Alan Walker for a mutual, highly successful reading at the NCTE earlier this year. We got along swimmingly, and he might be a good mentioner.

Thanks, Glory, for the review roundup. Talk to yez all as needed.

Best,  
Ivan

On Aug 27, 2012, at 7:11 AM, Plata, Glory wrote:

Hi Ivan -- I hope you had a nice weekend. How was your Saturday event with Edmond's Bookshop?

Several reviews for *THE BARTENDER'S TALE* came in over the weekend and I wanted to make sure you saw them:

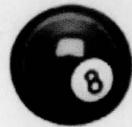
Seattle Times -- I'm sure you saw this in yesterday's paper, but here it is for Becky and Liz: "Forever the master storyteller, Doig has fashioned a moving tale of tolerance, self-discovery and forgiveness in which a child comes to terms with his own origins and in the process opens a new door to his future."  
[http://seattletimes.nwsourc.com/html/books/2018968014\\_br26doig.html](http://seattletimes.nwsourc.com/html/books/2018968014_br26doig.html)

BookReporter.com -- "Doig is one of those gifted writers whose unique voice leaves indelible images of time and place through characters so vividly drawn that they linger long after you close the book."  
<http://www.bookreporter.com/reviews/the-bartenders-tale>

The Spokane-Review -- A nice mention of your upcoming event at Auntie's Bookstore.  
<http://www.spokesman.com/stories/2012/aug/26/aunties-sets-doig-reading/>

All best,  
Glory

**From:** carol doig <cddoig@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** **Seattle Times online chat**  
**Date:** August 23, 2012 8:33:03 AM PDT  
**To:** Glory Plata <Glory.Plata@us.penguingroup.com>



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Good morning, Glory. Mary Ann Gwinn needs to reschedule into the next week, either September 11 or 12. I'll pass along the details as soon as she and I work it out.

Another detail. Steve Donoghue of Open Letters has not contacted me. If you think this is vital enough, give him a nudge, hmm?

We'll ask our webmaster to link The Daily Beast review to [ivandoig.com](http://ivandoig.com).

Today I'm calling a couple of the small bookstores, Edmonds and Park Place, to try to make sure they have enough books not to run out at the signings.

Best,  
Ivan