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PRESS RELEASE

What: novelist Adriana Trigiani at library friends' fundraiser

When: Saturday, May 7

Where: Toms River branch, 101 Washington St.

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Friends of the Ocean County Library Presents an Evening with New York Times Best-Selling Author Adriana Trigiani

TOMS RIVER - The New York Times Best-Selling author Adriana Trigiani visits the Ocean County Library Toms River branch (101 Washington Street) Saturday, May 7 for the 2016 Friends of the Ocean County Library Author Event.

Two different ticket options are available:

- The \$40 general admission includes a presentation and book signing with Trigiani.
- The \$80 VIP ticket includes preferred seating during her presentation and book signing, as well as a special author reception with light refreshments.

Book sales will begin at 5:30 p.m. The Friends will host a VIP author reception at 6 p.m. It will be followed by a presentation for VIP and general admission ticket holders at 7 p.m.

There will also be a free book signing open to the general public starting at 8:30 pm.

Information about purchasing tickets can be found at the library's website (www.theoceancountylibrary.org), at your local Ocean County Library branch or by calling the library at 732-349-6200.

Trigiani is beloved by millions of readers around the world for her fifteen bestsellers, including the blockbuster epics "The Shoemaker's Wife," the "Big Stone Gap" series, "Lucia, Lucia," the "Valentine" series, the "Viola" series for young adults, the best-selling memoir "Don't Sing at the Table" and her latest novel "All the Stars in the Heavens," a tale of golden age Hollywood.

She is also the award-winning filmmaker of the documentary "Queens of the Big Time." Trigiani also wrote and directed the major motion picture "Big Stone Gap" which is based on her debut novel and filmed entirely on location in her Virginia hometown.

"Tickets make a great Mother's Day present," said Judy Macaluso, branch services, and a liaison to the Ocean County Library Friends Steering Committee. "The Ocean County Library is so very appreciative of all the hard work our branch Friends groups do all year to support us. For this special fundraiser all of our branch Friends groups have come together to make this event possible."

Proceeds from the event benefit the Friends of the Ocean County Library, who sponsor library programs as well as generate awareness of the library's services and resources.

Arrangements for the appearance of Adriana Trigiani made through HarperCollins Speakers Bureau of New York, NY.

Editors note: Adriana Trigiani is available to discuss her new novel "All the Stars in the Heavens" as well as this upcoming appearance. Judy Macaluso is available for comment about the Friends of the Ocean County Library. For more information, please contact Scott Rodas at 732-349-6200 ext. 5912 or srodas @theoceancountylibrary.org.