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Maid Creator Stephanie Land to Appear in Ocean County Library's Virtual Author Talk Series

TOMS RIVER – <u>Stephanie Land</u>, who documented her struggles with poverty, abuse, parenthood and ambition in the best-selling memoir <u>Maid</u> and the newly-published sequel <u>Class</u>, will discuss social and economic barriers and breakthroughs in the Ocean County Library's Virtual Author Talk series, 2 PM Tuesday, December 12.

Maid, subtitled Hard Work, Low Pay and a Mother's Will to Survive, is Land's poignant recollection of life as a house cleaner raising a daughter below the poverty line and keeping alive her dream of a college degree. It won widespread acclaim and was adapted into one of the most-watched Netflix series of 2021.

In *Class*, subtitled *A Memoir of Motherhood, Hunger and Higher Education*, Land illustrates roadblocks that a diploma cannot prevent, including the demands of a labyrinthine loan and preconceived notions that hinder her dream of a writing career.

Both books are available in print, audiobook, and eBook versions at the <u>Ocean County</u> Library.

The social and economic activist's <u>website</u> features descriptions of readily-available resources for financially-marginalized families, single parents, and college students.

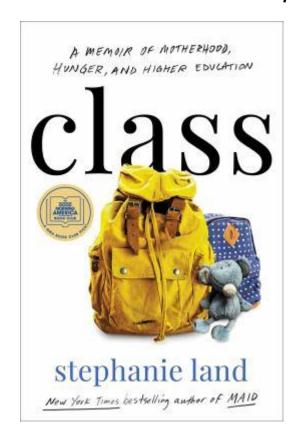
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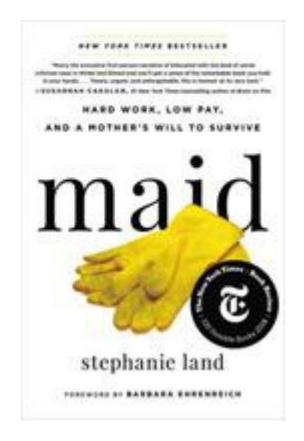
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