

Novella Carpenter speaks at leadership lecture series

Carpenter appeared at the free event in conversation with KQED "Forum" host Michael Krasny to discuss her Marin County libraries' 2014 "One Book One Marin" selection *Farm City: The Education of an Urban Farmer*. It reflects on her experiences creating a garden in a run-down neighborhood a mile from downtown Oakland. Carpenter, a resident of Oakland, grew up in rural Idaho and Washington State. She attended the University of Washington in Seattle where she majored in Biology and English. She studied under Michael Pollan for two years while attending Berkeley's Graduate School of Journalism. Her writing has appeared on Salon.com, Saveur.com and the food and wine section in the *San Francisco Chronicle*. Her new memoir, *Gone Feral: Tracking My Dad Through the Wild*, will be published in June.

The One Book One Marin program is funded by the Marin County Free Library, Book Passage, and the [ILS](#) at Dominican plus city libraries and a large number of community sponsors.

"Dominican University's partnership with the One Book One Marin Award is an exceptionally rewarding experience by engaging our campus community with the library communities in Marin County," says Dr. Denise Lucy, ILS founder and executive president. "We are honored to participate in this vibrant community engagement program."

The [Leadership Lecture Series](#) is a cooperative effort between Dominican's ILS and Book Passage. Each year, the Leadership Lecture Series features some of the country's leading figures from the world of business, politics, entertainment, academia, and literature. All lectures are open to the public.

The ILS Spring 2014 Leadership Lecture Series is sponsored by Private Ocean, the oldest and largest privately held wealth management firm in Marin County. Private Ocean's commitment to community service has been a driving force behind its support of the lecture series.

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