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*cordially invite you to our*

**Third Annual**

# **AUTHOR EVENT** **for NYC Educators**

**WHEN:** Thursday, June 30, 2011 from 1-3 pm

*(A free lunch will be served starting at 12 noon. The event will start promptly at 1pm.)*

**WHERE:** Random House, Inc. 1745 Broadway, N.Y., N.Y. *(between W. 55th and W. 56th streets)*

**WHY:** To listen to four fascinating authors speak about their books for your classroom

*Free books and refreshments will be available.*



## **SPREAD THE WORD!**

**Tell your colleagues about this event.**

**To RSVP, email us at [teacherevent@randomhouse.com](mailto:teacherevent@randomhouse.com).**

*\*Please indicate if you will be joining us for lunch before the event.*

**SPACE IS LIMITED.** First Come, First Served.

**\*\*\* PLEASE BE PROMPT. PANEL SPEAKERS BEGIN AT 1:00 PM \*\*\***

FREE BOOKS  
AVAILABLE

# MEET *the* AUTHORS

At our Third Annual Author Event for NYC Educators

Come hear the authors speak and get a free copy of each of their books. All of the authors are available for school visits.

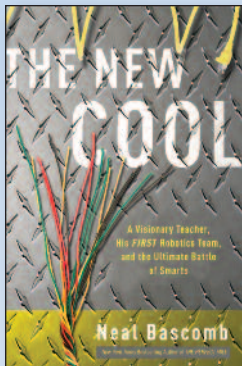


## NEAL BASCOMB

### *The New Cool*

*A Visionary Teacher, His FIRST Robotics Team, and the Ultimate Battle of Smarts*

Crown | HC | 978-0-307-58889-0



*The New Cool* is the astonishing and inspiring story of a team of high school seniors and their mentor, who come together—not to play a sport or exercise their athletic prowess—but rather to build a machine that will compete in the most heated, sophisticated robotics competition in the world.

#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**NEAL BASCOMB** is the author of the books *Higher*, *The Perfect Mile*, *Red Mutiny*, and *Hunting Eichmann*, and is an occasional contributor to the *New York Times*. He lives in Philadelphia with his wife and two daughters.

Author website: [www.nealbascomb.com](http://www.nealbascomb.com)

Read his message to educators at: <http://tinyurl.com/3yjaj7v>



## MONIQUE TRUONG

### *Bitter in the Mouth*

*A Novel*

Random House | HC  
978-1-4000-6908-8

Paperback forthcoming in August 2011.



*Bitter in the Mouth* is a beautifully written novel about a young woman named Linda, who experiences a secret sense: she can “taste” words. This is a story that questions what it means to be a family and to be a friend, to be foreign and to be familiar, and to be connected and disconnected from our bodies, our past, and our histories.

#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**MONIQUE TRUONG** was born in Saigon and currently lives in New York City. Her first novel, *The Book of Salt*, was a national bestseller and received several awards, including the New York Public Library Young Lions Fiction Award and the 7th Annual Asian American Literary Award.

Author website: [www.monique-truong.com](http://www.monique-truong.com)



## GB TRAN

### *Vietnamerica*

*A Family's Journey*

Villard | HC | 978-0-345-50872-0



“In Tran’s memoir of his parents’ life in Vietnam—and his own discovery of that story—theme, narrative, and art work together to create a deeply compelling graphic novel. Tran meditates on war, loss, and memory, but the overriding theme is the complexity, hardship, and reward of family life, a theme that finds full life in the author’s multi-layered narrative. . . . This novel could easily find a place in the classroom but its broad set of issues and graphic format should also appeal to a wide variety of teens.”

—*School Library Journal*

#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**GIA-BAO (A.K.A. GB) TRAN** was born in South Carolina in 1976, a year after his parents fled Vietnam. Currently, he is a cartoonist/illustrator and lives in Brooklyn.

Author website: [www.gbtran.com](http://www.gbtran.com)



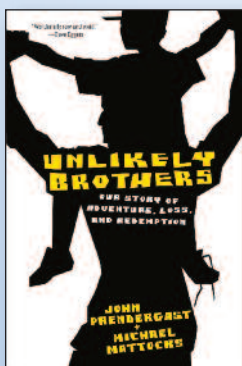
## JOHN PRENDERGAST

### *Unlikely Brothers*

*Our Story of Adventure, Loss, and Redemption*

(co-written with Michael Mattocks)

Crown | HC | 978-0-307-46484-2



Peace activist and cofounder of the Enough Project, John Prendergast is known as a champion of human rights in Africa. But the not-so-public face of Prendergast is the life he has led as a Big Brother to Michael Mattocks. *Unlikely Brothers* is an inspiring book that brings together the dissimilar lives of Prendergast and Mattocks, and reveals the importance of mentorship. The book raises many questions including what compassion looks like, the implications for indifference, and the challenges of commitment.

#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**JOHN PRENDERGAST** is a human rights activist and author. He is cofounder of the Enough Project, an initiative to end genocide and crimes against humanity. He is the co-author of *Not on Our Watch: The Mission to End Genocide in Darfur and Beyond*.

Author website: [www.enoughproject.org](http://www.enoughproject.org)

Read his message to educators at: <http://tinyurl.com/43mhbg>

#### Also by the author:

**The Enough Moment: Fighting to End Africa's Worst Human Rights Crimes** (co-written with Don Cheadle) Three Rivers Press | TR | 978-0-307-46482-8