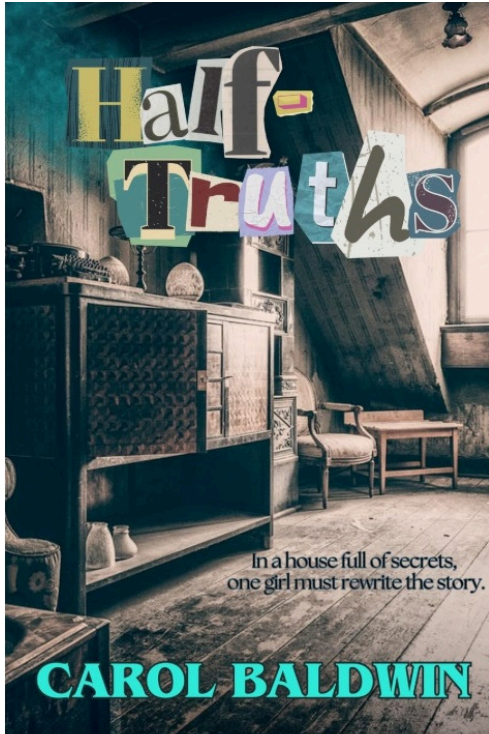


MeckRoots *BOOK TALK*



***Half-Truths* Book Talk** *With Carol Baldwin*

Thursday, September 4
6-7:30 p.m.



Northern Regional Recreation Center
18121 Old Statesville Rd, Cornelius, NC 28031



Local Author Carol Baldwin will share her writing process and share how aspiring writers can tackle similar subjects.

In her debut novel, Baldwin crafts a fictionalized account of an interracial friendship between a young aspiring journalist and an African American woman serving as a maid in the segregated 1950s Charlotte.

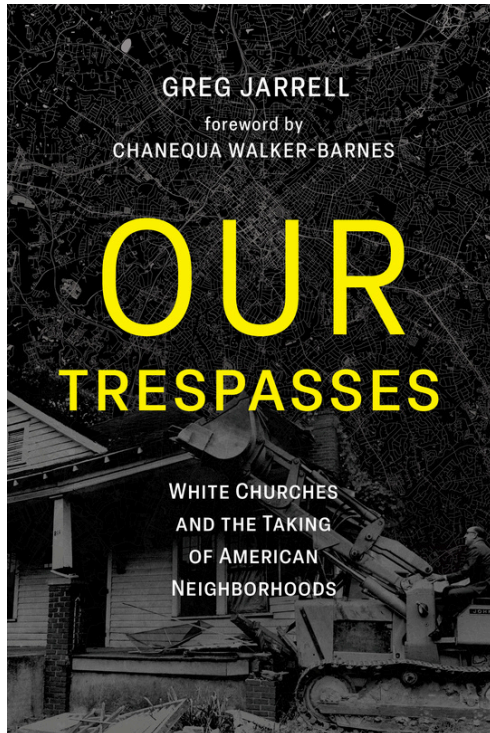
Based on real locations and people in Charlotte's history, *Half-Truths* is a profound exploration of identity and belonging. It invites readers to reflect on the complexities of race, privilege, and the often painful quest for authenticity.



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MeckRoots *WALKING TOUR*



Presentation + Locations from *Our Trespases*

With Greg Jarrell

Thursday, September 11
6-7:30 p.m.



Second Ward Gymnasium
710 E M.L.K. Jr Blvd



Jarrell will give a presentation at the Second Ward Gym about the book, and will then lead a walking tour from the gym around the neighborhood.

Author Greg Jarrell will lead a walking tour of locations in Charlotte's Second Ward neighborhood that appear in his book *Our Trespases*. Greg is a cultural organizer with QC Family Tree who works with words and music to impact housing and neighborhood justice issues.

His book *Our Trespases: White Churches and the Taking of American Neighborhoods* has won wide acclaim for its clear storytelling and the discovery of new research from church and academic archives about urban renewal in Charlotte.



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MeckRoots *PERFORMANCE*



William W. Smith



Thaddeus Tate

Local Black History: Performance & Presentation *By Michael Connor*

Thursday, September 18
6-7:30 p.m.



Amay James Recreation Center

2425 Lester Street, Charlotte, NC 28208



Michael D. Connor will give a performance and presentation about Black architect William W. Smith and Black entrepreneur and landowner Thaddeus Tate.

Smith and Tate were crucial to developing Charlotte's Black communities and made an impact on the Westside. Connor is a professor of Theatre Arts, professional actor, playwright and director. He has worked on Broadway while studying playwriting at the Negro Ensemble Company, worked in Hollywood, and written a play about legendary screen actress Bette Davis, for whom he served as a personal assistant.



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