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**BESTSELLING AUTHOR LAUREN KESSLER TO SPEAK IN  
SPRINGFIELD**

*As part of the Library's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration*

The Springfield Public Library is proud to present a night of reading with award winning author Lauren Kessler on **Tuesday, October 21 at 7 p.m.**

**About the Author:** Lauren Kessler is the author of five works of narrative nonfiction, including Pacific Northwest Book Award winner *Dancing with Rose* (published in paperback as *Finding Life in the Land of Alzheimer's*), Washington Post bestseller *Clever Girl* and Los Angeles Times bestseller *The Happy Bottom Riding Club*. She is also the author of Oregon Book Award winner *Stubborn Twig*, which was chosen as the book for all Oregon to read in honor of the state's 2009 sesquicentennial.

Her journalism has appeared in The New York Times Magazine, Los Angeles Times Magazine, O magazine, Utne Reader, The Nation, newsweek.com and salon.com. She is a national speaker and workshop leader. The founder and editor of Etude, the online magazine of narrative nonfiction, she directs the graduate program in literary nonfiction at the University of Oregon.

**What:** Author Lauren Kessler will read from her new book, *Dancing with Rose*

**When:** Tuesday, October 21 at 7 p.m.

**Where:** Springfield Library at 225 Fifth Street (in City Hall)

**More information:** Contact Woody Dwinell @ 726.2232

