

North Shore Writers Festival: Brian Thomas Isaac in conversation with Margaret Gallagher

This is an in-person event

Date April 13, 2024

Time 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Location North Vancouver City Hall

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Brian Thomas Isaac's debut novel, *All the Quiet Places*, is an emotional coming-of-age novel that was longlisted for the Scotiabank Giller Prize, a finalist for the Governor General's Literary Award for Fiction, and a winner of an Indigenous Voices Award. The book's publication and all the accolades didn't happen until Thomas was 71 years old. He'll talk with the CBC's Margaret Gallagher about his career and what's next for him as a writer.

Brian Thomas Isaac was born in 1950 on the Okanagan Indian Reserve near Vernon, BC. After completing grade eight, he found work in the oil fields and in construction, and eventually retired as a bricklayer. At the age of fifty, without any formal training, he began to write and fifteen years later, he completed his first novel, *All the Quiet Places*. His bestselling debut won the 2022 Indigenous Voices Award, was a finalist for the Governor General's Award and the Amazon Canada First Novel Award, and was longlisted for the Scotiabank Giller Prize and CBC's Canada Reads. He was also a member of the jury for the 2023 Scotia Bank Giller prize. This fall he signed a two-book deal with Penguin Random House and his second book entitled *Bones of a Giant* will be released in the Spring of 2025. Brian and his wife live in West Kelowna where he enjoys time with his three grandchildren and is currently working on his third book.

Margaret Gallagher is the host of North by Northwest, BC's highest-rated weekend show. She was the host of CBC Radio One's Hot Air, CBC's longest running radio program, and has been a regular part of CBC Radio One's The Early Edition since 2001, as well as serving as the BC host of CBC Radio 2's Canada Live.

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