



WHAT IS PAST IS PROLOGUE

The Prologue Society Newsletter

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FROM THE CHAIR

Our luncheon last week with Ross King was simply wonderful. King's knowledge of Monet and his friends and the making of the Water Lilies is truly amazing, and his ability to convey the marvelous atmosphere of Monet's world made for a very enjoyable experience for us all. Coincidentally, a wonderful review of *Mad Enchantment* appeared in the November 19 issue of the Wall Street Journal.

Please register as soon as possible for our December 8 luncheon with David France and his book, *How to Survive a Plague: The Inside Story of How Citizens and Science Tamed AIDS*. IMPORTANT: This will be the only notice you receive to register for this luncheon.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of The Prologue Society, I wish you and your families a very happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

Jim Herron
Acting Chair

NEXT LUNCHEON: David France on December 8 at 12:00 noon

How to Survive a Plague: The Inside Story of How Citizens and Science Tamed AIDS

To register:

- **The deadline for members to register for this luncheon is Sunday, December 4.**
- **Online:** Go to www.theprologuesociety.org and follow the instructions;
- **OR by telephone:** Call 305-323-1154 and talk to Debbie Hirshson or leave a voicemail message that you plan to attend;
- **OR by regular mail:** Send note with a check for \$50.00 per person to The Prologue Society, 18495 S. Dixie Highway #373, Miami, FL 33157.
- **Include** the names of your guests.
- **IMPORTANT: IF YOU REGISTER BY MAIL, you must also call Debbie** (or reply to this email) so that she knows to expect you!

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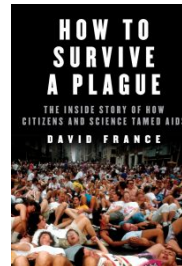
- **Enter your credit card number** on the website;
- **OR mail a check** for \$50.00 per person to The Prologue Society, 18495 S. Dixie Highway #373, Miami, FL 33157;
- **OR bring a check** to the luncheon.

Note:

- **IMPORTANT: Remember that all luncheons are held at Riviera Country Club (Ballroom), 1155 Blue Road, Coral Gables, FL 33146.**
- To speed up luncheon check-in and accounting, our preference is that you: 1) pay online, OR 2) mail a check well in advance of the luncheon.
- Mail is taking a while to reach us. (Remember to call or email Debbie right away if you're registering via the mail.)
- **If you haven't yet sent in your membership application**, please do so right away (or activate and pay for your membership online). You will need to be on the membership rolls before we can accept your reservation for this and all future luncheons of this season.

DECEMBER 8: DAVID FRANCE

How to Survive a Plague: The Inside Story of How Citizens and Science Tamed AIDS



During World AIDS Month, we focus on the story of the men and women who, watching their friends and lovers fall, ignored by public officials, religious leaders and the nation at large, chose to fight for their right to live. With his unparalleled access to this community, David France offers an insider's account of a pivotal moment in the history of American civil rights. Intimately reported, *How to Survive a Plague: The Inside Story of How Citizens and Science Tamed AIDS* illuminates the lives of extraordinary characters, including the closeted Wall Street trader-turned-activist; the high school dropout who found purpose battling pharmaceutical giants in New York; the South African physician who helped establish the first officially recognized buyers' club at the height of the epidemic; and the public relations executive fighting to save his own life for the sake of his young daughter.

David France is the author of *Our Fathers*, a book about the Catholic sexual abuse scandal, which Showtime adapted into a film. He coauthored *The Confession* with former New Jersey governor Jim McGreevey. He is a contributing editor for *New York* and has written as well for *The New York Times*. His documentary film *How to Survive a Plague* was an Oscar finalist, won a Directors Guild Award and a Peabody Award, and was nominated for two Emmys, among other accolades.

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RECENT LUNCHEONS

It was a pleasure to welcome Ross King on November 17.



Cristina Nosti of Books & Books, Ross King, and Bud Park

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