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RIDE TRANSIT TO WEEKEND EVENTS

Sun Link to hold on board reading with award-winning children's author on March 12

TUCSON, Ariz. – Ride the Sun Link streetcar or a Sun Tran bus to the Tucson Festival of Books event this weekend, March 12 and 13, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the University of Arizona or to Seconds Saturdays Downtown on March 12th.

Weekend event attendees can board at any one of the 23 Sun Link streetcar stops along the 3.9-mile long route to get to the University of Arizona or downtown Tucson.

Sun Link will be kicking off the Festival of Books with an on board reading by award winning children's author, Conrad Storar, on Saturday, March 12 at 10 a.m. Storar will begin his reading at the Avenida del Convento stop (across from Mercado San Agustin) and will exit at the University of Arizona to participate in the Festival of Books at the Children's Storyteller Stage. Storar is author of more than 50 science and nature books for children and young adults, most recently having released *The Bat Book*, teaching kids facts and the truth about bats.

Sun Tran has regularly scheduled service to the University of Arizona and the downtown area, providing a convenient and cost-effective travel option to these events. Please consult the Ride Guide for best route and times or call customer service or visit suntran.com for trip planning assistance.

During the Tucson Festival of Books, the UA Mall will be closed to bus traffic and the bus stop on the Mall will be temporarily discontinued. Passengers can board Routes 9, 15 and 20 on Campbell near the UA Mall entrance.



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For Sun Tran passenger convenience, park-and-ride locations are available throughout the community. Please visit www.suntran.com/commuter_park.php for a detailed list of locations.

Riders are encouraged to purchase a SunGO 1-Day Ticket before the event to help avoid wait times. The 1-Day SunGO Ticket can be purchased for \$4 at any one of the streetcar stops or at the Ronstadt Transit Center downtown. To pay-by-the-ride, riders can purchase a SunGO Card and load cash value online at www.suntran.com, at any sales outlet or at the transit centers. For a list of sales locations, visit suntran.com/fares_buy.php. Passengers can also purchase a pass or pay-by-the-ride on their mobile phone by downloading the GO Tucson Mobile App at www.gotucsonapp.com. Plan ahead when making online purchases. Cash fares are accepted on Sun Tran but not accepted on the streetcar.

Children five years of age and younger can ride Sun Link or Sun Tran free with a paying passenger.

Passengers are advised to consult Sun Tran's Ride Guide, visit www.suntran.com, or call the Customer Service Center at (520) 792-9222 (for persons with hearing and speech impairments, call TDD: (520) 628-1565) for trip planning assistance or more information. For information about the Tucson Festival of Books event, visit www.festivalofbooks.org. For more information about Second Saturdays Downtown, visit www.2ndsaturdaysdowntown.com.