

TomeCon 2026

Jr. Tome & Tome Society (Grades 6-12)

8:00 AM	Registration (Atrium)
8:30 AM – 4:30 PM: Shopping Open <i>Storybook Market Book Fair in Athena D & Vendors in Atrium</i>	
9:15 AM	Concurrent Session 1 (see page 2 for locations)
10:15 AM	Concurrent Session 2 (see page 2 for locations)
11:15 AM	Concurrent Session 3 (see page 2 for locations)
12:00 PM	Lunch (Grand Hall 6 & 7) Shopping (Vendors in Atrium & Book Fair in Athena D) Make & Take: Book Inspired Crafts (Athena A/B)
1:15 PM	Author Panel (Grand Hall 8) Frank Cole, April Henry, Gordon Korman, Elizabeth Lowham, Leslie Lutz, G. F. Miller, Jennifer A. Nielsen, and Julie Wright
2:15 PM	Keynote – Gordon Korman (Grand Hall 8)
2:45 PM - LAST Chance to Enter Raffle Basket Drawings in Atrium (Winners Posted at tomesociety.org/tomecon-qr at 3:45 pm)	
3:15-5:00 PM	Author Signing (Grand Hall 6 & 7)
4:00-4:30 PM	Jr. Tome, Grades 6-8, Awards Ceremony (Grand Hall 8) Tome Society, Grades 9-12, Awards Ceremony (Athena F)

Competitions (Pre-Qualification Required)

9:00 AM	Jr. Tome Book Talk, Grades 6-8 (Athena H) Tome Book Talk, Grades 9-12 (Athena I)
10:00 AM	Jr. Tome Reading Bowl, 6-8 (Athena H & I)
11:00 AM	Tome Reading Bowl, 9-12 (Athena H & I)
11:45 AM - 12:15 PM	Korman Book Award Capsule (Athena G)

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MARCH 10, 2026
THE CLASSIC CENTER
ATHENS, GA

Jr. Tome & Tome Society (Grades 6-12) Concurrent Sessions

Choose one concurrent session to attend during each concurrent session block.

9:15 AM

10:15 AM

11:15 AM

Location	Presenter	Session Title
Athena E	April Henry, "Stay Dead"	How I Quit My Day Job and Became a Killer and Thief: And How You Can Too
Athena F	Jennifer A. Nielsen, "One Wrong Step"	Creating Villains You'll Love to Hate
Athena G*	Julie Wright*, "The Art of Us"	Frankenstein: The Nuts and Bolts to Becoming a Better Writer (*Only Offered At 9:15 & 10:15 Sessions)
Grand Hall 3	Leslie Lutz, "Sweetest Darkness"	Creating Secondary Characters for Your Story
Grand Hall 5	Elizabeth Lowham, "Casters and Crowns"	What I Wish I'd Known as a Teenage Author
Olympia 1	G.F. Miller, "Not if you Break Up with Me First"	Love, Laughter, & Happily Ever After
Olympia 2	Frank L. Cole, "The Legend of the Last Library"	Exercising Your Imagination Through Storytelling
Athena C*	Kathy Church*, <i>Georgia Department of Natural Resources</i>	Embracing Ectotherms (*Only Offered At 9:15 & 10:15 Sessions)
Grand Hall 1	Hall County Library System, <i>2025 Georgia Public Library of the Year</i>	Game Show Challenge: The Wheel of Jeopardy Fortune and Friendly Feud Is Right!
Grand Hall 4	Joey Weiser, "Mermin" series & "The Littlest Fighter"	Drawing Monsters with Joey Weiser

Drop-In Sessions

Athena A & B	<p>Make & Take: Book Inspired Crafts</p> <p>Grades 6-12: 9:00 am-1:00 pm All Grades: 3:00-4:00 pm</p>
Grand Hall 2	<p>Minute to Win It</p> <p>Grades 6-12: 9:00 am-12:00 pm</p>
Atrium	<p>Vendor Shopping, Raffle Baskets, Tome Merchandise</p> <p>Shopping Open All Grades 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM</p> <p>2:45 PM - LAST Chance to Enter Raffle Basket Drawings in Atrium 3:45 PM - Raffle winners Posted at tomesociety.org/tomecon-gr 3:45 PM – 4:30 PM - Basket winners can pick up from the Tome Merch table. (Students should be accompanied by an adult (adviser/parent) to pick up their winning basket). All Baskets must be picked up by 4:30 PM.</p>
Athena D	<p>Book Fair by Storybook Market</p> <p>Shopping Open All Grades 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM</p> <p>Featuring Tome Book Award Titles and other books by your TomeCon 2026 Authors</p>

All-Conference Author Signing

Grand Hall 6-7; 3:15 pm – 5:00 pm

Tracy Badua, Stephen Bramucci, Frank Cole, April Henry, McCall Hoyle, Lynne Kelly, Gordon Korman, Elizabeth Lowham, Leslie Lutz, G. F. Miller, Allie Millington, Jennifer A. Nielsen, Jenni L. Walsh, Joey Weiser, and Julie Wright

Important Author Signing Guidelines

- Tome Line Moderators reserve the right to limit each person in line to two items for signing.
- Only the author's own books and official Tome Book Award Poster will be signed unless otherwise permitted by the author.
- Students should have their name typed or neatly written on an index card to hand to the author for correct spelling during signing. (Personalizations are at the author's discretion.)
- Please have books open to the title page before reaching the signing table.