

Big Apple Knitters Guild A MEMBERS-ONLY SPECIAL EVENT VIA ZOOM

Tuesday, October 3, 2023 7:00 – 8:30 PM

Please begin check-in at 6:30 PM

You Never Know Where Knitting May Lead! In conversation with Mary L. Trump, E. Jean Carroll, Jennifer Taub, and Joyce Vance

As many of us did during the pandemic, Mary, E. Jean, and Jennifer joined a Zoom knitting circle. Over time (and their knitting!), they became fast friends and looked for a way to maintain their connection. As accomplished writers, they decided to embark on a collaborative creative endeavor, which ultimately morphed into a romance novel. And with the added support of their good friend, Joyce, they went all in! This lively novel, called *The Italian Lesson*, is the story of an American woman with a past who moves to Italy to start over, opens a café, and meets a handsome local winemaker. It is being published serially on Substack (https://substack.com/). To add to the fun, series installments come with Italian recipes and knitting patterns!

We are truly delighted to welcome Mary, E. Jean, Jennifer, and Joyce, all devoted knitters, to share their journey with us—from knitting through the pandemic to bringing *The Italian Lesson* to life. This moderated roundtable discussion promises to be enlightening, inspiring, and lots of fun—you won't want to miss it!



MARY L. TRUMP is an American psychologist and author. Her first book, *Too Much and Never Enough: How My Family Created the World's Most Dangerous Man* (2020), which sold nearly one million copies on its first day of publication, is considered a serious gamechanger in the 2020 U.S. presidential election that Donald Trump lost decisively to Joe Biden. Her second book, *The Reckoning*, published in August 2021, was also a *New York Times* bestseller.

Trump holds a PhD in clinical psychology and, as an adjunct professor at Adelphi University, taught graduate courses in developmental psychology, psychopathology, and trauma. She also has a Master's in English and Comparative Literature from Columbia University.

Mary writes the newsletter *The Good in Us* and hosts *The Mary Trump Show* podcast. She also collaborates with E. Jean Carroll and Jennifer Taub on their newsletter *Backstory Serial* on Substack and co-hosts the podcast *Trek Politics* with Bob Cesca.



E. JEAN CARROLL is a journalist and advice columnist. Her work has appeared in *The Atlantic, Rolling Stone, New York,* and *Vanity Fair,* among many other publications. Her column *Ask E. Jean* is the longest continually running advice column in American publishing. You can read it now on Substack.



JENNIFER TAUB is a law professor, advocate, and author. Her nonfiction books include *Big Dirty Money* (Viking 2020) about white collar crime and *Other People's Houses* (Yale Press 2014) about the 2008 financial crisis. Jennifer focuses on "follow the money" matters—promoting transparency and opposing corruption. She was the Bruce W. Nichols Visiting Professor of Law in fall 2019 at Harvard Law School and is now a professor of law at the Western New England University School of Law. A former associate general counsel at Fidelity Investments, Jennifer is a graduate of Yale College and Harvard Law School.



JOYCE WHITE VANCE is a Distinguished Professor of the Practice of Law at the University of Alabama School of Law. She is also a legal analyst for NBC and MSNBC as well as the cohost of two podcasts, #SistersInLaw and The Café Insider on cafe.com. Vance writes the popular Civil Discourse newsletter on Substack.

Vance was the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Alabama from August 2009 through January 2017. She was appointed by President Obama and unanimously confirmed by the Senate. Previously, she served in the U.S. Attorney's Office since 1991 as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Criminal and Appellate Divisions, and later as its senior litigation counsel and Appellate Chief.

Before joining the U.S. Attorney's Office, Vance was a litigator in private practice in Washington, DC and Birmingham, Alabama. Vance is a 1985 graduate of the University of Virginia School of Law and a 1982 graduate of Bates College, in Lewiston, Maine. She is married to retired Alabama Circuit Judge Robert S. Vance, Jr. They have four children, two dogs, three cats, and an undisclosed number of chickens.