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Mary Doria Russell to Discuss Her Book, 'The Women of the Copper Country,' As Michigan Humanities Launches This Year's Great Michigan Read

WHAT: Mary Doria Russell will discuss her book, "The Women of the Copper Country," during a virtual news conference/webinar launching Michigan Humanities' 2021-2022 Great Michigan Read. Russell will talk about the research and storytelling that went into her account of how 25-year-old Annie Clements stood up for the miners and their families during the 1913 copper strikes.

The Great Michigan Read kicks off this month and runs through spring 2022. In addition to free books, Great Michigan Read partners receive free reader's guides, teacher's guides, bookmarks, and other supplemental materials. Schools, libraries, colleges, arts and cultural institutions, and a range of other nonprofits are eligible to be Great Michigan Read partners.

WHO: **Mary Doria Russell**, author of "The Women of the Copper Country"
Paul Chaffee, Michigan Humanities Board Member and retired journalist
Jennifer Rupp, Michigan Humanities Acting President and CEO
Ashley Ross, Michigan Humanities Director of Programs

WHEN: 11 a.m. Thursday, October 7, 2021, via [Zoom](#)

WHERE: [Registration required ahead of the event.](#) After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

NOTE: A Zoom recording of the event will be available afterward. Viewers also can watch the news conference/webinar on Facebook Live on Michigan Humanities' Facebook page.

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