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## TANA FRENCH TO JOIN SEATTLE ARTS & LECTURES' 2020/21 SEASON

The crime-fiction writer will be in conversation from Dublin for a pre-recorded event

Seattle, WA—AUGUST 13, 2020: Seattle Arts & Lectures (SAL) announces the addition of Tana French to its 2020/21 Season line-up. French will be in conversation for an online, pre-recorded event on Monday, October 12, 2020, at 7:30 PM (PDT), as part of SAL Presents Series of special events. Digital Passes are on sale now and all tickets (except Student/25&Under and complimentary tickets) include a copy of French's newest book, *The Searcher*. Books will be mailed to ticket holders by Elliott Bay Book Company. The moderator for this event will be announced soon.

Crime-fiction writer Tana French is the author of seven superb bestsellers like *The Trespasser*, *The Witch Elm*, *In the Woods*, and *The Secret Place*. Praised for their ability to tear down the distinction between crime-fiction and literary fiction, all of French's books are set in Ireland, with six forming the loosely connected Dublin Murder Squad series. Together, they've sold over three million copies and won numerous awards.

French's new novel, *The Searcher*, brings all of French's powerhouse atmospherics and characterization to a story that plays with the traditions of suspense fiction and won't fail to keep readers guessing. It's why the *New York Times* proclaimed, "She is in a class by herself."

The Searcher follows Cal Hooper, who bought a fixer-upper in a bucolic Irish village would be the perfect escape. After twenty-five years in the Chicago police force and a bruising divorce, he wants to build a new life in a pretty spot with a good pub where nothing much happens. But when a local kid whose brother has gone missing arm-twists him into investigating,

Cal uncovers layers of darkness beneath his picturesque retreat.

## **Ticket Information**

All Digital Access tickets are Pay-What-You-Can Pricing and include a copy of *The Searcher*, shipped to the ticketholder's door by Elliott Bay Book Company (except Student/25 & Under and complimentary tickets).

- SAL Superhero Digital Pass & Book: \$125
- SAL Hero Digital Pass & Book: \$75
- SAL Pal Digital Pass & Book: \$60
- Suggested Price Digital Pass & Book: \$45
- Student of Life Digital Pass & Book: \$35
- Student/25&Under Digital Pass: \$5

Tickets are available at <u>lectures.org</u> or by calling the SAL Box Office at 206.621.2230, ext. 10.

About Seattle Arts & Lectures: Founded in 1987, Seattle Arts & Lectures champions the literary arts by engaging and inspiring readers and writers of all generations in the Puget Sound region. SAL's programs include the Literary Arts Series, Poetry Series, Women You Need to Know (WYNK), Journalism Series, SAL Presents, Hinge, Local Voices, Summer Book Bingo, the Youth Poet Laureate (YPL) program, and Writers in the Schools (WITS). For more information about SAL, visit lectures.org.

Speaker photos available upon request.

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