

University of Delaware Library Associates

# 2016 Annual Dinner

Save the date

Wednesday, April 6, 2016

## Erik Larson

on *Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania*

6 p.m. Hospitality hour • 7 p.m. Dinner and program  
Arsht Hall • University of Delaware, Wilmington



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The featured speaker will be Erik Larson, an American journalist and a master of narrative non-fiction author. His vividly written, bestselling books have won several awards and been published worldwide, including *The Devil in the White City* (2003).

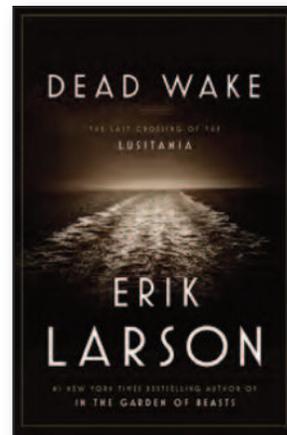
His most recent book, *Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania*, is about the 1915 sinking of the ocean liner Lusitania, which has an appreciation for the lives that were lost and the impact the ship had on history. One hundred years ago, 128 Americans died among more than a thousand in the sinking of what was then the greatest ocean liner in the world. In response, the U.S. entered World War I. *Dead Wake* has been on *New York Times* best seller list since April 2015.

"This enthralling and richly detailed account demonstrates that there was far more going on beneath the surface than is generally known...Larson's account

[of the Lusitania's sinking] is the most lucid and suspenseful yet written, and he finds genuine emotional power in the unlucky confluences of forces, 'large and achingly small,' that set the stage for the ship's agonizing final moments."

—*The Washington Post*

Mark your calendars! The printed invitation will be mailed in early March 2016. All members of the University of Delaware Library Associates will be sent an invitation. Other interested persons may send an email message to [UDLA@udel.edu] or call Library Administration at 302-831-2231 to request a printed invitation. Cost information will be forthcoming in the printed invitation.



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