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Roll the Bones to Launch on the Las Vegas Strip Author to read at Mandalay Place 10/07

Historian David G. Schwartz will publicly read from his latest book, *Roll the Bones: The History of Gambling* for the first time on Saturday, October 7. At 2 PM, the Reading Room at Mandalay Place will host the book's international launch event, a reading and signing.

Roll the Bones tells the epic story of gambling, beginning with its emergence from divination rituals at the dawn of history and ending with today's global gaming culture. In a sweeping, rollicking narrative that spans the invention of dice in ancient Mesopotamia to today's globally televised World Series of Poker and Internet gambling, acclaimed historian David G. Schwartz explores the betting games people have played throughout the ages and makes the provocative argument that gambling has been a crucial spur in major historic developments, from the funding of global empires to the development of the mathematics of probability that underpinned the creation of the capitalist system.

Praised by poker legend Crandell Addington as “the gold standard of gambling history,” *Roll the Bones* is sure to become an important book for everyone interested in gambling. Be there when history is made on October 7 at Mandalay Place.

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