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The Henrico County Public Library, in partnership with Henrico County Public Schools, the Friends of Henrico County Public Library, and the Henrico Education Foundation, is proud to host the nationally acclaimed author, David Baldacci, on Tuesday, April 5, at 7:00 p.m. at Glen Allen High School, 10700 Staples Mill Road, Glen Allen, 23060, as part of Henrico's 400th Anniversary Celebration and ALL HENRICO READS. His novel, *Wish You Well*, as the featured title, will be available for sale, as well as his other books. He will be available to autograph books following the program.

Wish You Well, a beautifully crafted coming-of-age novel, is a decided departure from the thriller novels that have repeatedly landed Baldacci on the New York Times Bestseller list. Louisa Mae Cardinal is a precocious twelve-year-old girl living in the hectic New York City of 1940 until a single, terrifying moment changes her life forever. She and her brother Oz soon find themselves in the mountains of Virginia where their mother slowly struggles between life and death. Lou and Oz are raised by their eccentric and single-minded great-grandmother, Louisa, Lou's namesake.

A critic for *Publisher's Weekly* wrote that “Baldacci triumphs with his best novel yet,” calling *Wish You Well* an “utterly captivating drama that has a huge heart.” Judith Silverman in *Kliatt* describes the novel as an “excellent portrait of race and class distinction of the time and place.”

This event is free and open to the public. Seating will be first come, first served. Doors open at 6:15 pm. For additional information, go to www.henricolibrary.org.