



Become an Official Banned Books Week Author Spokesperson!

September 27 through October 3, 2015

Banned Books Week (BBW) is the preeminent annual celebration of the freedom to read. Held yearly, libraries, schools, bookstores and other community settings across the nation and the world come together to speak out against censorship.

This year's theme is Young Adult books and we are seeking Young Adult authors whose work has been banned or challenged to join David Levithan and Stephen Chbosky as official spokespeople.

Below are examples of what a Banned Books Week Author Spokesperson may be asked to do during the week itself:

- **Press Interviews.** Be available as an interview subject (dependent on press requests received / your interest in speaking with a particular outlet)
- **Blog Post.** Write a guest blog post on your personal experience having a book challenged or banned, and/or the topic of censorship in general. It will be posted on the BBW website, shared widely across all BBW sponsors' communication channels, and pitched to like-minded blogs.
- **Social Media.** Throughout BBW, agree to engage 3-4 times (or more!) on social media utilizing the official Banned Books Week social media calendar and messaging.

If interested, please respond by **Tuesday, September 8th** to
Maggie Jacoby, BBW Coalition Coordinator, mjacoby@gmail.com

Name _____

Banned or Challenged Title _____

Email _____

Website _____

Interested in (check all that apply): ☐ Press ☐ Blog ☐ Social Media