



Amy Bloom will surprise you.

She's a therapist who practiced for twenty years. She's an accomplished, prize-winning short-story writer who in 2007 astounded critics with her novel, *Away*, a romantic, passionate story of survival. What's more, she's also the creator of the Lifetime television series *State of Mind*, about a psychologist whose own personal life is in disarray.

But—that's not the surprise.

It's Amy Bloom, the woman, who will surprise you: direct, complex, insightful and witty. Amy Bloom is a woman who understands women.

The synthesis of her story-telling, her career as a therapist and her personal, extraordinary trajectory as a woman allows her to bring to the podium a woman "in full bloom."

Plan on an exceptional evening with Amy Bloom. Together, let's celebrate women and raise funds to empower women and girls.

The Middlesex County Community Foundation
Fund for Women and Girls Committee

presents

In Full Bloom



Monday, November 10 at 5pm
The Riverhouse at Goodspeed Station
55 Bridge Road, Haddam, Connecticut

Amy Bloom, best-selling author, therapist and television series creator, talks about life, love and relationships... and the inconvenience of getting older.

Amy Bloom has a witty, refreshing way of looking at women's lives.

Join us!

Bring a friend...bring a spouse

as we raise funds for grants to benefit women and girls in Middlesex County.

5-6pm: Wine and Hors d'oeuvres Reception
6pm: Amy Bloom
7pm: Elegant Buffet Dinner, Wine, Coffee and Dessert

Donation: \$65 per person. Please respond by October 30, 2008.

Books will be available for purchase by Broad Street Books; a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Fund for Women and Girls.

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For more information on the event, call (860) 347-0025.
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