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Sally Bedell Smith Will Be Featured at The Hay-Adams Upcoming Author Series on May 5th with Her New Book, *Prince Charles: The Passions and Paradoxes of an Improbable Life*

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WHAT: On May 5th, the award-winning Hay-Adams, located steps from the White House at 800 16th Street, NW, 20006, will host its next Author Series luncheon honoring Sally Bedell Smith to discuss her latest work, *Prince Charles: The Passions and Paradoxes of an Improbable Life*. The Hay-Adams Author Series, where literary crowds honor literary masters, is an on-going event, which hosts outstanding writers in a historic setting, directly overlooking the White House at Top of the Hay. One will enjoy exceptional food, drink and lively conversation. Tickets are priced at \$90 per person (all inclusive), which includes a three-course, prix fixe menu with wine pairings. The menu, themed around the book, will be created by Vice President & General Manager Hans Bruland and Executive Chef Nicolas Legret.

Additionally, Kramerbooks (<http://kramers.com>) will be on hand so guests will have the opportunity to purchase a copy of *Prince Charles: The Passions and Paradoxes of an Improbable Life*, which Bedell can sign and personalize after the luncheon. Tickets go on sale April 10, 2017 and will be available online at <http://hayadams.com/author-series/washington-dc-author-events> or by calling (202) 638-6600.

WHO: Sally Bedell Smith is an American historian and author specializing in biographies of American political, cultural, and business leaders, as well as members of the British Royal Family. She has been a contributing editor at Vanity Fair and is the current editor-in-chief of National Journal Daily.

In her latest book, *Prince Charles: The Passions and Paradoxes of an Improbable Life*, Smith returns to the British royal family to delve into the life of Prince Charles. This eye-opening biography is the first authoritative treatment of Charles's life that sheds light on the death of Diana, his marriage to Camilla, and his preparations to take the throne one day. With keen insight and the discovery of unexpected new details, Smith lays bare the contradictions of a man who is more complicated, tragic, and compelling than we knew, until now.

Sally Bedell Smith was born in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania. She received her B.A. from Wheaton College and her M.S. from Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism. Mrs. Smith currently resides in Washington D.C. with her husband, Stephen G. Smith.

WHEN: The luncheon will be held on Top of The Hay on **Friday, May 5th, 2017, from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.** (doors open at 11:30 a.m.).

WHERE: The Hay-Adams is located at 800 16th Street, NW, Washington DC, 20006, across Lafayette Square from the White House. The historic Hay-Adams offers guests Washington's most prestigious address with views overlooking the White House, Lafayette Square and St. John's Church, the "Church of the Presidents." The hotel is just minutes from the Smithsonian, the Museums, the Washington Monument, the National Mall, as well as convenient to Metro stations and the convention center. For reservations or more information call (202) 638-6600 or visit their website at www.hayadams.com.

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