

Slideshow: Molly Shannon at Chicago Humanities Festival for New Book ‘Hello Molly!’

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Molly Shannon at the Chicago Humanities Fest, April 13, 2022.

CHICAGO – Book Tour season has begun, and the Chicago Humanities Festival welcomed a prominent new author to their event. Molly Shannon, the raucous comic actor of “Saturday Night Live” fame, has written a new memoir entitled “Hello Molly!” On April 13th, 2022, Shannon appeared at the Humanities Festival with fellow SNL alum (and veteran of The Second City) Tim Meadows. Photographer Joe Arce got backstage for the Exclusive Portraits.

As chronicled in “Hello Molly!,” Shannon’s world was shattered – at age four – when she lost her mother, baby sister and cousin in a car accident, with her father at the wheel. Held together by her tender and complicated relationship with her grieving father, Molly was raised in a permissive household where her gift for improvising and role playing blossomed alongside the fearlessness that would lead her to become a celebrated comedy performer and actor. It also tells about her days at SNL, with many behind-the-scenes stories about her fellow cast mates and celebrity guests.

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“Hello Molly!” By Molly Shannon is available wherever books are sold. The Chicago Humanities Festival continues with its events next month and throughout the summer. Click [CHF](#) [21] for details.



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