



## Black Mountain Center for the Arts Presents Allegra Huston on May 4

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On Monday, May 4 at 7 pm the Black Mountain Center for the Arts, at 225 W. State Street in the old City Hall, will present Allegra Huston, who will read from and discuss *Love Child: A Memoir of Family Lost and Found*, set for publication release by Simon & Schuster on May 7. Allegra is the youngest daughter of film director John Huston and sister to Oscar-winning actress Anjelica Huston and actor Tony Huston.

Huston is Co-Director, along with Asheville native, poet and creativity specialist James Navé, of the The Writing Salon, based in Taos, NM. The Writing Salon is presenting a creativity retreat and writing workshop at the Black Mountain Center for the Arts from May 4-8 with Huston and Navé serving as faculty for the workshop. For more information, visit [http://www.thewritingsalon.net/assets/salon\\_asheville.html](http://www.thewritingsalon.net/assets/salon_asheville.html).

In April 2008 at BMCA Huston read from her book draft before a public audience for the first time. Listeners sat spellbound, holding their collective breath, as Huston spun her personal tale of early grief, naiveté, confusion and anguish. Her memories of the day she learned of her mother's death in a car accident were presented as fresh as it had been for her at age four. Later events that revealed more about her heritage were also shared in what became a very intimate setting that evening.



Allegra Huston is also a writer of screenplays, journalism, and creative nonfiction. Her screenwriting credits include NBC television, Walt Disney Pictures and Icon Entertainment. Her articles have appeared in British newspapers including the *Independent* and *The Times*, as well as in magazines including the *Tatler*, *French Vogue*, the *Santa Fean*, *Mothering*, and *Harper's Bazaar UK*. She is represented by the William Morris Agency in Los Angeles and the Curtis Brown agency in London.

After gaining a First Class degree in English at Oxford University, Huston became a book publisher in London from 1990-94. In 1994, Allegra joined the London-based subsidiary of the French film giant Pathé, where she spent over two years as a consultant for acquisition and development before giving up full-time employment to pursue a screenwriting career.

Allegra has traveled widely in countries such as Asia, Central and South America, the Middle East and Europe. She now lives in Taos, New Mexico where, with her partner, Cisco Guevara, she is a sought-after storyteller and owner of Los Rios River Runners, New Mexico's oldest whitewater rafting company. They have a young son, Rafael.

The public is invited to attend Huston's book talk, followed by an opportunity for questions with the author. For more information, contact 828.669-0930.