

# MEET THE TEXAS TEEN BOOK FESTIVAL KEYNOTE AUTHORS:

## **NIC STONE** **&** **ELIZABETH ACEVEDO**

Stone

Read Nic Stone's essay to learn about her background: "[Hi, I'm Nic](#)". How have her life experiences inspire her writing?

Get a sneak peak of her upcoming novel *Dear Justyce*, a sequel to *Dear Martin*. Watch this video of her reading an excerpt: [Dear Justyce](#)

Stay tuned for the release of *Dear Justyce*! Available on September 29, 2020. See what the readers are already saying about it: [Kirkus Reviews](#)

*Dear Martin & Dear Justyce* deal with topics such as race, police brutality, and resistance. Talk to a friend about how these topics relate to current events & movements.

Take a look inside the bookworm mind of Nic Stone! These books have been inspiring her during quarantine: [What I'm Reading](#)

Curious about what book-lovers are saying about her latest novel, *Clap When You Land*? Read the reviews at: [Kirkus Review](#)

Click [here](#) to listen to an excerpt from *Clap When You Land*. How does she describe "home"? Your turn! Free write 3-5 sentences that describe "home" to you.

Acevedo

Want to about know Elizabeth Acevedo's family, how she started writing, who her favorite writers are & what books she's written? Read about it here: [website!](#)

She is influenced by her Afro Latina culture and her upbringing in Morningside Heights, NYC. Watch [this video](#) for a tour of where she grew up!

*Clap When You Land* is based on the tragic crash of American Airlines Flight 587. Use the internet to find about how this tragedy impacted her community.