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Celebrate the release of **Farai Chideya's** fiction debut, *Kiss the Sky*. Hear memoirist **Lori Tharps**, poet **Patricia Spears Jones**, and **Farai Chideya** read excerpts from their latest books and dialogue with these dynamic authors about their lives and work.

Friday, May 29, 2009, 2-4 pm
at the 2009 Book Expo of America (BEA)
Jacob Javits Convention Center, 655 West 35th Street, NY, NY
In the African American Pavillion, Meeting Room 1C01/1C02

Farai Chideya, author of *Kiss the Sky* (Atria), is a former host of NPR's "News and Notes," the founder of PopandPolitics.com, and the author of several award-winning non-fiction books. Chideya lives in New York City. (www.faraichideya.com)

Lori Tharps is the author of the critically acclaimed *Kinky Gazpacho* (Atria), now out in paperback, is also coauthor of *Hair Story: Untangling the Roots of Black Hair in America*. She lives in Philadelphia, PA. (www.loritharps.com)

Patricia Spears Jones is a celebrated poet, playwright, cultural commentator and author of *Femme du Monde* and *The Weather That Kills*. She lives in Brooklyn, NY.

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