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Poker Tale Novelist Joan Destino Will Be on Hand at Annual Casino Collectibles Show

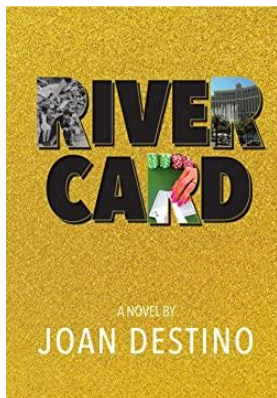
Author will share how her poker experience formed the basis of a five-star novel at the *world's* largest casino memorabilia show June 15th in Las Vegas.

LAS VEGAS (April 17, 2023) — Every poker player has stories galore, but few have used them to write a page-turner book like Joan Destino, author of the novel *River Card*. She will share her writing and poker experience at the Casino Collectibles Association's 30th annual casino chip and collectibles show. Described as the world's largest show of casino collector's items, the annual souvenir spectacular is open to the public at the South Point Hotel and Casino June 15 -17 in Las Vegas.

A kindergarten teacher in Boston, Destino moved with her husband in the early seventies to the Los Angeles area where she participated in the UCLA Writers' Program for several years, culminating with several semesters in their Master Novel Writing Class. After playing tournament Bridge for years, she began

playing casino poker in the mid-eighties. She bought a second home in Las Vegas in the mid-nineties and moved there permanently when her husband retired in 2004. Joan plays both cash and tournament poker.

River Card chronicles the life of a businesswoman, wife, mother...and gambling addict. It weaves a story ranging from the depravity of 1940s Germany to the glamor and baseness of 1990s Las Vegas. Attendees can pick up an autographed copy at the show.





Joan Destino will greet those attending the World's Largest Casino Chip and Collectibles Show on day one, Thursday June 15, from 10 AM to Noon at the South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas. The show runs Thursday, Friday and Saturday, June 15 -17, 2023.

The World's Largest Casino Chip and Collectibles Show is open to the public and offers the greatest collection of casino memorabilia, souvenirs and keepsakes ever assembled in a single location. Attendees will be able to browse souvenirs of nearly everything casino related, including gaming table chips, slot machines, slot cards, tokens and glass, dice, playing cards, matchbooks, menus, dinnerware, swizzle sticks, post cards, photos and more. Over 50 worldwide dealers will be on hand to offer attendees the unique opportunity to examine, buy, sell, or trade casino collectibles.

The Casino Collectibles Association is a club with over 1,000 members who passionately share the hobby of collecting and preserving the past. Show registration and admission is open to the public June 15, 10 AM – 5 PM (admission \$10), June 16, 9 AM – 4 PM (admission \$5) and June 17, 9 AM – 4 PM (admission is free).

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Download high resolution photo of Joan Destino and her book at

http://www.ccgcc.com/publicity/cca_joandestino.html



Event location is Exhibit Hall C at the South Point Hotel Casino, 9777 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Las Vegas, Nevada. Download high resolution photos of the world's largest casino chip and collectables show at http://www.ccgcc.com/publicity/cca_show_2022.html

ABOUT THE CASINO COLLECTIBLES ASSOCIATION

The [Casino Collectables Association](http://www.ccgcc.com), (CCA) is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) club devoted to the fast-growing hobby of collecting casino memorabilia. The club is a resource for information and history of gaming artifacts, including one of



the largest archives of gaming manufacturer records and casino gaming chips. The club publishes an award-winning quarterly magazine on the subject. Become a member and take advantage of the experts who volunteer their expertise in this fascinating hobby.

An educational project of the CCA, the [Museum of Gaming History](#) (MoGH) comprises an expanding series of fascinating casino memorabilia kiosk exhibits in Las Vegas located within The El Cortez and Plaza casinos, and the Nevada State, Mob, and National Atomic Testing museums and Spinettis Gaming Supplies. A single permanent location is the ultimate goal.

Editor's note: The Casino Collectibles Association is the dba of the Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club.

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