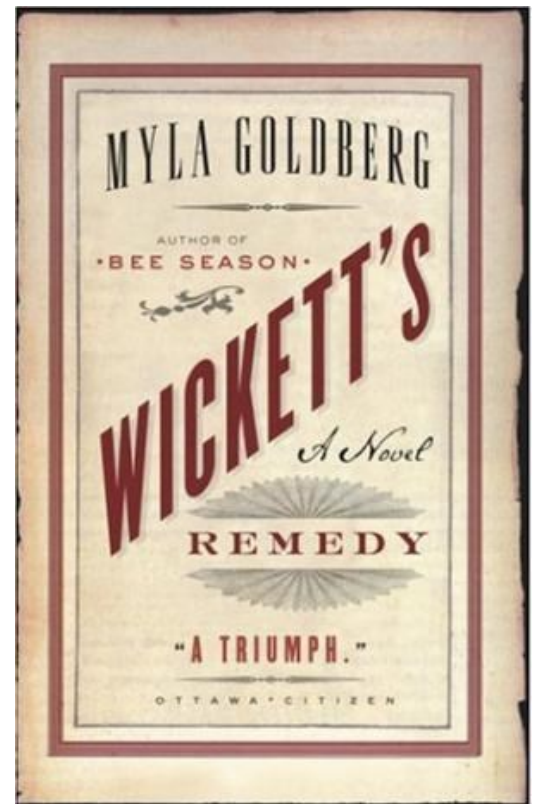


Thursday December 7 at  
6:30pm

***Wickett's Remedy*** by Myla  
Goldberg



Irish American shop girl Lydia marries Henry Wickett, a shy medical student and the scion of a Boston Brahmin family in the early part of the twentieth century. But soon after their wedding, Henry abruptly quits medical school to create a mail-order patent medicine called Wickett's Remedy, and just as Lydia begins to adjust to her husband's new vocation, the infamous Spanish influenza epidemic of 1918 arrives to irrevocably change their lives. Meanwhile, a parallel narrative explores the world of QD Soda, the illegitimate offspring of Wickett's Remedy, stolen away by Henry Wickett's one-time business partner Quentin Driscoll, who goes about transforming it into a soft drink empire.