

# Best-selling author to appear at Wagner

STATEN ISLAND ADVANCE

Award-winning playwright, television writer and documentary filmmaker Adriana Trigiani will read from her memoir, "Don't Sing at the Table: Life Lessons from My Grandmothers," on Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. at Wagner College, Grymes Hill.

The reading, which will take place in the college's Manzulli Board Room in Foundation Hall, will give Ms. Trigiani a chance to speak and to read from her latest book released this month.

She is considered "one of the reigning queens of women's fiction" according to USA Today.

The memoir, 'Don't Sing at the Table' allows Ms. Trigiani, as devoted readers know, to once again draw inspiration from her own family history — in particular, from the lives of her two remarkable grandmothers, who have found their way into all of her cherished novels.

In addition, she is the author of the best-selling "Big Stone Gap" series and the New York Times best-selling novels "Lucia, Lucia," "The Queen of the Big Time" and

"Rococo;" she has been published in 35 countries around the world.

Among her many television credits, Ms. Trigiani, was a writer/producer on "The Cosby Show," "A Different World," and executive producer/head writer for City Kids for Jim Henson Productions. Her Lifetime television special, "Growing Up Funny," garnered an Emmy Award nomination for Lily Tomlin.

She is married to Tim Stephenson, the Emmy Award-winning lighting designer of "The Late Show with David Letterman."