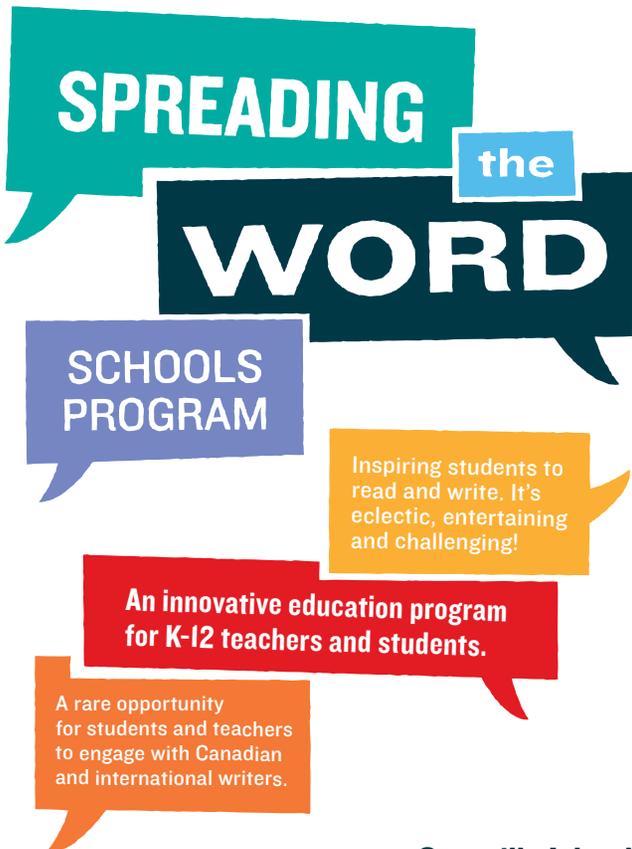


# THE VANCOUVER WRITERS FEST



**Granville Island**  
**OCTOBER 21-24, 2014**  
writersfest.bc.ca

## The Festival Experience — 4 Days, 34 Events

- Step out of the classroom and onto Granville Island.
- Some of the hottest authors on the planet converge with students and teachers in intimate, interactive and informal settings.
- Writers of all genres perform, read from their work, talk about their craft and answer questions.
- Events for all grade levels.

### How to buy Festival event tickets

Check our website in mid-August for event and program details and the ticket request form. Festival school events will sell out quickly, so be sure to book early.

To receive a Spreading the Word brochure by mail in August, email your mailing address to [smillard@writersfest.bc.ca](mailto:smillard@writersfest.bc.ca).

**TICKETS GO ON SALE SEPTEMBER 15, 2014**

### La Joie de Lire

Chaque année, le Vancouver Writers Fest présente La Joie de Lire, une programmation de jour en français destinée aux élèves des programmes de français langue première et d'immersion française. Tous les détails du programme seront disponibles en août sur notre site Web: [writersfest.bc.ca](http://writersfest.bc.ca).

Ne manquez pas de faire connaître à vos élèves ces formidables auteurs et leurs nouveaux livres. Vous pouvez commander les livres d'auteurs du Festival auprès de Vancouver Kidsbooks sur leur site [kidsbooks.ca](http://kidsbooks.ca). Comme toujours, nous avons élaboré un programme mettant en vedette des auteurs possédant une vaste expérience dans la présentation de leur œuvre au public scolaire.

### Spreading the Word Writing Contest

Open to students in Grades 8-12 from across BC

Two Categories – Poetry & Short Fiction

Deadline for submission: October 26, 2014

First Prize (each category) \$300

Second Prize (each category) \$200

Winners will be published in *The Claremont Review*

See [writersfest.bc.ca](http://writersfest.bc.ca) for details

### Study Guides!

*Spreading the Word* events connect to BC curriculum. Check the Festival website for event study guides in September.

### Guides d'Études!

Les activités « Spreading the Word » ont des liens directs avec les programmes d'études de la C.-B. Pour permettre aux enseignants de tirer plein parti du Festival, un guide d'études a été élaboré pour chacune des activités. Ces guides seront disponibles sur le site Web du festival en septembre.

### Reading With Writers

#### INVITE AN AUTHOR TO YOUR SCHOOL!

Twice a year, local and Festival authors visit classrooms at schools-in-need to inspire students, at no cost to the schools. To book a writer for a classroom visit between October 21–24, contact Ilona Beiks.

#### INVITEZ UN AUTEUR À VOTRE ÉCOLE!

Deux fois par an, les auteurs locaux et invités du Festival visitent des écoles dans le besoin pour inspirer les jeunes lecteurs et écrivains. La visite d'un auteur dans la classe est gratuite et peut être réservée entre le 21 et le 24 octobre en communiquant avec Anne Guagliardo.

### Subsidized Tickets

Subsidized event tickets are available for eligible schools through the Cynthia Woodward Development Program. See our website and Spreading the Word brochure for details in August.

Grâce au « Cynthia Woodward Development Program », des billets subventionnés seront offerts aux écoles admissibles. Au mois d'août, consultez notre site Web et la brochure « Spreading the Word » pour obtenir de plus amples détails.

### For more information about Spreading the Word programs, contact:

Ilona Beiks, Education Co-ordinator,  
[education@writersfest.bc.ca](mailto:education@writersfest.bc.ca) or call 604.215.9726

### Pour plus d'informations à propos de la Joie de Lire, merci de contacter:

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## GET AN EARLY START ON THE FESTIVAL!

This summer, check out some of the 2014 Spreading the Word writers and be sure to tell your students about these exciting authors and their new books. You can order books by Festival authors from Vancouver Kidsbooks at [kidsbooks.ca](http://kidsbooks.ca)

"This was an enriching experience for my students, one that will foster their development as writers!"

Teacher at Sir Alexander Mackenzie School

## Check out the 2014 authors confirmed to date!



### Caroline Adderson

*A Simple Case of Angels/Jasper John Dooley NOT In Love/Norman, Speak!*

Caroline Adderson knows how to capture the trials of early childhood. She'll be at the Festival with three new books: *Jasper John Dooley*, *Norman, Speak!* and her middle-grade novel, *A Simple Case of Angels*.

Grades K-3 / 3-6



### Linda Bailey

*If Kids Ruled the World/If You Happen to Have a Dinosaur*

Linda Bailey's *If You Happen to Have a Dinosaur* is a hilariously absurd exploration of domestic uses for dinosaurs. Her book *If Kids Ruled the World* showcases the fantastical and fun results of a kid-designed reality.

Grades K-3



### Helaine Becker

*Gottika/Zoobots*

Bestselling author Helaine Becker's latest children's book *Zoobots* features 12 imaginary robot animals, each with their own illustrated two-page spread. Her new YA novel, *Gottika*, is set in a futuristic fantasy world where a 15-year-old boy unravels a mystery after his father is framed for murdering a princess.

Grades 3-6 / 6-8



### Kris Demeanor

Spoken Word

Kris Demeanor, named Calgary's first Poet Laureate in 2012, is a truly original musical talent. One part spoken word, one part hip hop, one part folk-country and one part rock, his shows are full of excitement and surprise.

Grades 8-12



### Lee Edward Fodi

Kendra Kandlestar Series

With his Kendra Kandlestar series, Lee Edward Fodi has created an imaginary realm filled with magic, monsters and mystery. In the latest installment, Kendra is sent on a world-spanning adventure across the cosmos.

Grades 3-5



### Marthe Jocelyn

*Viminy Crowe's Comic Book/What We Hide*

Told from multiple points of view in various narrative styles, including letters and screenplays, Marthe Jocelyn's *What We Hide* is provocative and intriguing. For her younger readers, *Viminy Crowe's Comic Book* is an exciting adventure about a geeky boy and a laidback girl who get sucked into the world of a comic book.

Grades 4-7 / 9-12



### Janice Lee

Spoken Word

Spoken word poet, singer-songwriter and storyteller, Janice Lee is at her best when connecting with an audience. She is the Artistic Director of the KW Poetry Slam and is known for her bold, fun and engaging performances.

Grades 8-12



### Mary Pinkoski

Spoken Word

Mary Pinkoski is the current Poet Laureate of Edmonton. She is the winner of the 2008 CBC National Poetry Face-Off and was named Canadian National Poetry Slam Champion at the Canadian Festival of Spoken Word. A storyteller at heart, her writing is dynamic and visceral.

Grades 8-12



### Elizabeth Stewart

*Blue Gold*

Elizabeth Stewart's new book is the futuristic YA novel, *Blue Gold*. The novel tells the intertwining story of three girls, each affected by the trade of *coltan*, a rapidly depleting element used to create electronics, in particular cellphones.

Grades 6-12



### Mariko Tamaki

*This One Summer*

In Mariko Tamaki's graphic novel, *This One Summer*, the mysterious world of adults is seen from the perspective of two girls on the cusp of adolescence.

Grades 7-12



### J. Torres

Bigfoot Boy Series

In his full colour comic series *Bigfoot Boy*, J. Torres crafts a funny and action-packed story about a boy's mysterious necklace that has the power to turn him into Bigfoot.

Grades 2-5



### Anne Villeneuve

*Loula and the Sister Recipe/Loula part pour l'Afrique*

Fed up with her terrible triplet brothers, Loula and her chauffeur gather all the "ingredients" to make her a new sister—until a hungry visitor arrives. Anne Villeneuve's latest illustrated book is a satisfying story about not getting exactly what you want and perhaps enjoying it all the more.

Loula en a plus qu'assez de ses trois terribles frères et décide de s'enfuir en Afrique. Par chance, son chauffeur Gilbert connaît le chemin pour s'y rendre. Usant de toute leur imagination, ils vont traverser ensemble le désert à dos de chameaux.

Grades K-3



### Robert Paul Weston

*Blues for Zoey/The Creature Department*

Robert Paul Weston tells an exciting and mysterious coming-of-age story in his latest book, *Blues for Zoey*, which touches on the challenging themes of identity and gender. In *The Creature Department*, inventive artwork compliments a wacky story about a secret creature laboratory hidden inside an electronics factory.

Grades: 3-6 / 9-12

"Attending an event at the Vancouver Writers Fest is very special, it always inspires reading in my classroom, and the children I teach love coming to Granville Island."

Teacher at Trudeau Elementary School

"We attended the Festival as a writing class looking for some tips for developing our storytelling skills. The authors' dialogue managed to keep our class—loaded with grade 11 boys—entertained."

Teacher at Maple Ridge Christian School