**Vancouver Writers Fest 2025 Program Guide:
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# MONDAY, OCTOBER 20

01. Oh Canada!: The Alma Lee Opening Night

Information: Monday, October 20 | 7:30pm | $40

Venue: Vancouver Playhouse

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/01>

# TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

02. David A. Robertson on Living with ‘Little Monsters’

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 10:15am | $12

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/02>

03. Sun, Trees & Seas

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 10:15am | $12

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/03>

04. Masterclass with Wesley King

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 10:15am | $12

Venue: The NEST

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/04>

05. Tanya Boteju: Allyship as Action

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 10:15am | $12

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/05>

06. Paranormal Activity: Ghost Stories for YA

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 1:00pm | $12

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/06>

07. Finding the Power Within

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 1:00pm | $12

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/07>

08. Masterclass with Tanya Boteju

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 1:00pm | $12

Venue: The NEST

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/08>

09. Cracking the Case

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 1:00pm | $12

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/09>

10. Pen and Ink: Illustrated Resistance

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 6:00pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/10>

11. Linden MacIntyre: An Accidental Villain

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 6:00pm | $27

Venue: The NEST

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/11>

12. Debut to Bestseller

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 6:00pm | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/12>

13. Blood in the Pen: Stories, Crises, Repair, and the Writer

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 8:30pm | $27

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/13>

14. Gems of the Emerald Isle

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 8:30pm | $27

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/14>

15. It Runs in the Family: Georgia and Miriam Toews

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 8:30pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/15>

16. Seven Lives and One Year in Ukraine

Information: Tuesday, October 21 | 8:30pm | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/16>

# WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

17. Word! 1

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 10:15am | $12

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/17>

18. Good Reads for Middle Grade

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 10:15am | $12

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/18>

19. Masterclass with Rebecca Wood Barrett

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 10:15am | $12

Venue: The NEST

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/19>

20. Gord Hill: The Antifa Comic Book

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 10:15am | $12

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/20>

21. You Were Made For This World

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 1:00pm | $12

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/21>

22. Kenneth Oppel in Conversation

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 1:00pm | $12

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/22>

23. Masterclass with Canisia Lubrin and Jillian Christmas

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 1:00pm | $12

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/23>

24. Masterclass with Kirsten Pendreigh

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 1:00pm | $12

Venue: The NEST

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/24>

25. Ronald Deibert on Cyber Espionage and the Fight for Democracy

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 5:30pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/25>

26. Fiction Beyond Imagination

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 5:30pm | $27

Venue: The NEST

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/26>

27. October 7th and Beyond: Marsha Lederman in Conversation with Elamin Abdelmahmoud

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 5:30pm | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/27>

28. Miriam Toews in Conversation with Eleanor Wachtel

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 7:30pm | $27

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/28>

29. Reconciliation and You

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 7:30pm | $27

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/29>

30. You Will Not Kill Our Imagination: Saeed Teebi in Conversation

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 8:30pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/30>

31. UBC Night Class

Information: Wednesday, October 22 | 8:30pm | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/31>

# THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

32. Fantastic Worlds

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 10:15am | $12

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/32>

33. Flamer: A Morning with Mike Curato

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 10:15am | $12

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/33>

34. Storytime with Nature (And Dinos!)

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 10:15am | $12

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/34>

35. Word! 2

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 1:00pm | $12

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/35>

36. The Misewa Series Finale: David A. Robertson in Conversation

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 1:00pm | $12

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/36>

37. Storytime with Scaredy Squirrel

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 1:00pm | $12

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/37>

38. Masterclass with Kenneth Oppel

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 1:00pm | $12

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/38>

39. Cory Doctorow: Enshittification

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 5:30pm | $27

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/39>

40. Writing in Today's America

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 5:30pm | $27

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/40>

41. Jennifer Jones, Rock Star

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 5:30pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/41>

42. Sarah Manguso in Conversation

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 7:30pm | $27

Venue: The NEST

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/42>

43. Queer Stories on the Map

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 8:00pm | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/43>

44. Literary Giants in Short Form

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 8:30pm | $27

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/44>

45. The Poetry Bash

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 8:30pm | $27

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/45>

46. A Doctor, A Lawyer, and A Journalist Walk Into a Literary Festival

Information: Thursday, October 23 | 8:30pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/46>

# FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

47. Indigenous Voices: A Steady Brightness of Being

Information: Friday, October 24 | 10:00am | $27

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/47>

48. The Costs of Exploitation and Sustainability

Information: Friday, October 24 | 10:00am | $27

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/48>

49. Visions of Chinatown

Information: Friday, October 24 | 10:00am | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/49>

50. On Book Banning and Censorship

Information: Friday, October 24 | 10:00am | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/50>

51. Elbows Up!

Information: Friday, October 24 | 1:00pm | $27

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/51>

52. The Conversations

Information: Friday, October 24 | 1:00pm | $27

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/52>

53. The Next Generation

Information: Friday, October 24 | 1:00pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/53>

54. The City of Vancouver Book Award Ceremony

Information: Friday, October 24 | 1:00pm | $0

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/54>

55. Curtis Sittenfeld in Conversation

Information: Friday, October 24 | 5:00pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/55>

56. Souvankham Thammavongsa in Conversation

Information: Friday, October 24 | 5:00pm | $27

Venue: The NEST

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/56>

57. Walter Mosley in Conversation

Information: Friday, October 24 | 5:00pm | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/57>

58. The Feminine Grotesque

Information: Friday, October 24 | 7:00pm | $27

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/58>

59. Ahead By A Century: Lyrics Night

Information: Friday, October 24 | 8:00pm | $27

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/59>

60. The Art of Living

Information: Friday, October 24 | 8:00pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/60>

61. Guy Gavriel Kay in Conversation

Information: Friday, October 24 | 8:00pm | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/61>

62. Shake It Off: Dance Party

Information: Friday, October 24 | 9:30pm | $10

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/62>

# SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

63. Verses of Transformation

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 10:30am | $27

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/63>

64. Tim Cook on The Good Allies: Canada and the US in Wartime

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 10:30am | $27

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/64>

65. Raising Hare

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 10:30am | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/65>

66. Bitter and Sweet: Bonny Reichert and Karolina Ramqvist

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 10:30am | $27

Venue: The NEST

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/66>

67. Building Suspense

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 10:30am | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/67>

68. Terry O’Reilly: Against the Grain

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 1:30pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/68>

69. Dennis Lee: Wrestling with Cadence

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 1:30pm | $27

Venue: The NEST

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/69>

70. Christian Allaire: From the Rez to the Runway

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 1:30pm | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/70>

71. Crosscurrents of History

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 5:00pm | $27

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/71>

72. Wisdom, Age & Beauty

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 5:00pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/72>

73. Short Stories from Here

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 5:00pm | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/73>

74. The Lit Cab

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 7:30pm | $55

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/74>

75. On Tyranny: Timothy Snyder in Conversation

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 8:00pm | $27

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/75>

76. Mona Awad in Conversation

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 8:00pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/76>

77. Soundtrack of Life

Information: Saturday, October 25 | 8:00pm | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/77>

# SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

78. Food for Thought

Information: Sunday, October 26 | 10:30am | $40

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/78>

79. The Divorce Diaries

Information: Sunday, October 26 | 10:30am | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/79>

80. Reconciling

Information: Sunday, October 26 | 10:30am | $27

Venue: The NEST

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/80>

81. Global Political Narratives

Information: Sunday, October 26 | 10:30am | $27

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/81>

82. Kiran Desai in Conversation

Information: Sunday, October 26 | 2:00pm | $27

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/82>

83. A Trio of Vast Ideas

Information: Sunday, October 26 | 2:00pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/83>

84. Emerge

Information: Sunday, October 26 | 2:00pm | $0

Venue: Revue Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/84>

85. The Afternoon Tea

Information: Sunday, October 26 | 3:30pm | $50

Venue: Performance Works

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/85>

86. Closing Night Event: Susan Orlean with The Current’s Matt Galloway

Information: Sunday, October 26 | 7:00pm | $27

Venue: Granville Island Stage

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/86>

87. The Crime Scene

Information: Sunday, October 26 | 7:00pm | $27

Venue: Waterfront Theatre

Link: <https://writersfest.bc.ca/festival-event-2025/87>