

**FREE  
FESTIVAL  
GUIDE**

# **BE WONDERFULL**

**EXPERIENCE CANADA'S  
LIVELIEST LITERARY FESTIVAL**

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**IMAGINAIRIUM**

**OCT. 16-21, 2024**

# FESTIVAL AT A GLANCE

## WEDNESDAY, OCT. 16

### MOM'ING IN THE MORNING

**Liana Finck & Deborah Willis**

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 10 AM, \$25

### WHAT A PAIR!

**David A. Robertson & Niigaan Sinclair**

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 5:30 PM, \$20

### THE KRIS Demeanor & DEBORAH WILLIS VARIETY SHOW

**Carleigh Baker, Sig Burwash, Leah Hannel & Clem Martini**

DJD Dance Centre  
@ 7:30 PM, \$25

### AN EVENING WITH LEV GROSSMAN & DAVID A. ROBERTSON

**Hosted by Alice Kuipers**

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 7:30 PM, \$25

## THURSDAY, OCT. 17

### LE MATIN

**Fanny Britt & Susan Ouriou**

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 9 AM, \$25

### HAPPY HOUR STORIES

**Carleigh Baker, Shashi Bhat, Richard Kelly Kemick & Conor Kerr**

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 5:30 PM, \$20

### THE O'NEILL READS TALK SHOW

**Hosted by Arizona & Heather O'Neill**  
**Starring Fanny Britt, Sig Burwash, Anne Fleming & David A. Robertson**

DJD Dance Centre  
@ 7:30 PM, \$25

### AN EVENING WITH LIANA FINCK & ALICE WINN

**Hosted by Shelley Youngblut**

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 7:30 PM, \$25

## FRIDAY, OCT. 18

### A MORNING WITH BEVERLEY MCLACHLIN

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 9 AM, \$25

### THE SLOW SHOW

**Jeremy Klaszus & Kate Neville**

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 5:30 PM, \$20

### LITERARY DEATH MATCH

**Hosted by Adrian Todd Zuniga. Starring Shashi Bhat, JD Derbyshire, Roddy Doyle, Catherine Hernandez, Alice Kuipers, Heather O'Neill, Nita Prose & Alice Winn**

DJD Dance Centre  
@ 7:30 PM, \$25

### POETRY CABARET

**Conor Kerr, Michael Lista, Benjamin Hertwig, & Canisia Lubrin. Hosted by Paula Turcotte**

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 7:30 PM, \$25

## SPARKING THE NEXT GENERATION

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## SATURDAY, OCT. 19

### THE MORNING YAP (formerly Gals & Good Times)

**Madeline Ashby, Holly Gramazio,  
Robyn Harding & Marissa Stapley**  
Hosted by Ali Bryan

DJD Dance Centre  
@ 10 AM, \$25

### GET OUT OF HERE!

**Kate Harris & Tessa Hulls**  
Hosted by Christina Frangou

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 10 AM, \$25

### HOW TO... WRITE ABOUT WAR

**Benjamin Hertwig & Alice Winn**  
Hosted by Deborah Willis

Memorial Park Library, Salon (1st Floor)  
@ 10 AM, FREE

### ROCKING THE BOAT

**Catherine Hernandez, Michael Lista  
& Danny Ramadan.** Hosted by Zain Velji

DJD Dance Centre  
@ 1 PM, \$25

### OUR GREEN HEARTS

**Diana Beresford-Kroeger & Kate Neville**  
Hosted by Rosemary Griebel

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 1 PM, \$25

### HOW TO... CONQUER YA

**Sarah Everett & Alice Kuipers**

Memorial Park Library, Salon (1st Floor)  
@ 1 PM, FREE

### A CELEBRATION OF HEATHER O'NEILL

Hosted by Shelley Youngblut

DJD Dance Centre  
@ 3:30 PM, \$25

### WHAT A PAIR!

**Catherine Hernandez & Sarah Leavitt**  
Hosted by Jaclyn Adomeit

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 3:30 PM, \$25

### HOW TO... "GET" MAD

**JD Derbyshire & Guests**

Memorial Park Library, Salon (1st Floor)  
@ 3:30 PM, FREE

### THE WAY WE... WEAR

**Anne Enright, Holly Gramazio,  
Jenny Heijun Wills, Richard Kelly Kemick,  
Sarah Leavitt, Canisia Lubrin,  
Marissa Stapley & Tanya Talaga**  
Hosted by Pam Rocker

DJD Dance Centre  
@ 7:30 PM, \$25

### AN EVENING WITH STEPHEN

**GRAHAM JONES & JEFF VANDERMEER**

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 7:30 PM, \$25

## SUNDAY, OCT. 20

### TOP OF THE MORNING

**Roddy Doyle & Anne Enright**  
Hosted by Marina Endicott

DJD Dance Centre  
@ 10 AM, \$25

### WHAT A TRIO!

**Jenny Heijun Wills, Tessa Hulls  
& Teresa Wong.** Hosted by Pam Rocker

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 10 AM, \$25

### HOW TO... BOOK STORE

**Benjamin Hertwig, Arizona O'Neill  
& Ryan Smith**

Memorial Park Library, Salon (1st Floor)  
@ 10 AM, FREE

### WHAT A PAIR!

**Canisia Lubrin & Tanya Talaga**  
Hosted by Pam Rocker

DJD Dance Centre  
@ 1 PM, \$25

### THE FUTURE IS WILD

**Madeline Ashby, & Jeff VanderMeer**

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 1 PM, \$25

### HOW TO... GLOW UP A BOOK

**Holly Gramazio, Jenny Heijun Wills  
& Arizona O'Neill**

Memorial Park Library, Salon (1st Floor)  
@ 1 PM, FREE

### TEGAN & SARA CRUSH BOOK LAUNCH

Hosted by Sonia Clement

Central Public Library  
@ 3:30 PM, \$25

### CULTURE SLASH

**Stephen Graham Jones  
& David A. Robertson**

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 3:30 PM, \$25

### HOW TO... INVESTIGATE

**Christina Frangou & Michael Lista**

Memorial Park Library, Salon (1st Floor)  
@ 3:30 PM, FREE

### AN EVENING WITH JEANNE BEKER

**& NITA PROSE**

Hosted by Shelley Youngblut

Central Public Library  
@ 7 PM, \$25

## MONDAY, OCT. 21

### AN EVENING WITH RACHEL KUSHNER

Hosted by Eric Volmers

Memorial Park Library, Festival Hub, 2nd Floor  
@ 7:30 PM, \$25

## FESTIVAL VENUES

### FESTIVAL HUB

Memorial Park Library, 2nd Floor  
1221 2 St SW, Calgary, AB T2R 0W5

### ALEXANDER CALHOUN SALON

Memorial Park Library, Main Floor  
1221 2 St SW, Calgary, AB T2R 0W5

### DJD DANCE CENTRE

111 12 Ave SE  
Calgary, AB T2G 0Z9

### CENTRAL PUBLIC LIBRARY

800 3 St SE  
Calgary, AB T2G 2E7

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TO BOOK  
YOUR  
SEATS



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