THE MASTER DIRECTORY OF LITERARY EVENTS

Comprehensive Biennial Compendium • 2026 – 2028

Welcome to the premium master reference list prepared by **Ink and Assets**. This comprehensive international compendium spans over 100 core literary gatherings, extensive trade book fairs, boutique indie author conventions, and massive graphic novel fandom expositions scheduled across the next two fiscal years (2026 through 2028). Organized sequentially by geographical territory, state-by-state, and individual province for pristine navigability.

UNITED STATES STATE-BY-STATE

ALABAMA

Alabama Book Festival — April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION & NONFICTION

A vibrant public celebration of reading and literature gathering dozens of southern authors and publishers at Montgomery's historic Old Alabama Town.

Official Portal: alabamabookfestival.org

ARIZONA

Arizona Author Book Festival — May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: LOCAL AUTHORS & INDIE PUBLISHING

An annual showcase in Phoenix providing public panels, workshops, and tables exclusively highlighting independent creators based out of Arizona.

Official Portal: azauthors.com

Payson Book Festival — July 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: REGIONAL, WESTERN & INDIE FICTION

Focuses on promoting Arizona authors and building literacy community across the Rim Country, hosting family activities and local writers.

Official Portal: paysonbookfestival.org

ARKANSAS

Six Bridges Book Festival

October 2026 / 2027

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION, POETRY & MEMOIR

Named for the bridges connecting Little Rock, this central Arkansas festival brings global authors for deep panels, readings, and youth programs.

Official Portal: sixbridgesbookfest.org

CALIFORNIA

Ames World Romance Event

February 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ROMANCE & WOMEN'S FICTION

A targeted multi-day reader convention in San Diego bringing together premier romance authors, indie publishers, and avid fans.

Official Portal: amesworldevents.com

Bay Area Book Festival

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL LITERATURE & SOCIAL JUSTICE

Held annually in Berkeley, this festival draws notable global voices for keynotes focused heavily on progressive culture, fiction, and eco-literature.

Official Portal: baybookfest.org

LITLIT Festival

Annual 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: INDEPENDENT WEST COAST PRESSES

An expansive regional book market focusing on unique independent printing houses, self-publishing tools, and west-coast literary journals.

Official Portal: litlit.org

Litquake San Francisco

October 2026 / 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION, POETRY & COUNTERCULTURE

A multi-week urban festival taking over Bay Area establishments, concluding with the iconic multi-venue 'Lit Crawl' through the Mission District.

Official Portal: litquake.org

Los Angeles Kids Book Festival

September 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: EARLY CHILDHOOD PICTURE BOOKS & YA PROSE

An interactive outdoor book exhibition connecting children's authors, family bloggers, and local educational publishers directly with parent circles.

Official Portal: lakidsbookfestival.com

Los Angeles Times Festival of Books

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL LITERATURE, MEDIA & TRADE

The single largest outdoor community book event in the United States, blanketing the beautiful USC campus with authors, vendors, and stages.

Official Portal: events.latimes.com/festivalofbooks

Printed Matter's LA Art Book Fair

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ART BOOKS, ZINES & AVANT-GARDE

A massive destination celebrating artist-made print media, independent boutique catalogs, and experimental zines from international distributors.

Official Portal: printedmatter.org

SF Art Book Fair

July 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ART BOOKS & UNDERGROUND ZINES

A highly active localized showcase prioritizing independent art print media and alternative layouts, fostering connection between West Coast readers and makers.

Official Portal: sfartbookfair.com

San Diego Comic-Con International

July 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: COMICS, SCI-FI, FANTASY & POP CULTURE

The definitive global epicenter for comic books, graphic novels, fantasy fiction, and speculative media franchises, drawing massive fandoms.

Official Portal: comic-con.org

WonderCon

March 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: COMICS, GRAPHIC NOVELS & ANIMATION

Comic-Con International’s sister show hosted in Anaheim, blending independent artist alleys with mainstream graphic literature and media.

Official Portal: comic-con.org/wc

COLORADO

Fort Collins Book Fest

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION, SCIENCE & ECO-WRITING

A public, community-driven event pairing book themes with changing contemporary issues, featuring local microbreweries and dynamic authors.

Official Portal: focobookfest.org

Mountain Words Festival

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: POETRY, CREATIVE NONFICTION & REGIONAL

A mountain-town literary celebration in Crested Butte, offering intensive multi-day writing workshops, readings, and visual art connections.

Official Portal: crestedbuttearts.org

CONNECTICUT

RomantiConn

July 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ROMANCE FICTION & INDIE SIGNINGS

A specialized interactive reader event in Trumbull focusing on independent contemporary romance, fantasy romance, and new adult fiction authors.

Official Portal: romanticonn.com

DELAWARE

Delaware Book Festival

September 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: REGIONAL HISTORY & GENERAL FICTION

Hosted out of Lewes, this coastal state event emphasizes Mid-Atlantic heritage alongside contemporary regional fiction and children's authors.

Official Portal: history.delaware.gov

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Library of Congress National Book Festival

August 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL LITERATURE, HISTORY & BIOGRAPHY

America's premier national book showcase funded by the Library of Congress, packing the Washington Convention Center with historic keynote creators.

Official Portal: loc.gov/bookfest

FLORIDA

BAM! Festival

March 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: CHILDREN'S & YOUNG ADULT LITERATURE

An interactive outdoor beachside book convention in West Palm Beach specifically matching YA authors and illustrators with student readers.

Official Portal: bamfestival.org

Miami Book Fair

November 2026 / 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: INTERNATIONAL LITERATURE & BELLES-LETTRES

One of the most acclaimed book festivals globally, featuring a massive street marketplace and strong focus on Spanish-language and Caribbean authors.

Official Portal: miamibookfair.com

Sinners & Saints Miami Fest

November 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: DARK ROMANCE, PARANORMAL & URBAN FANTASY

A beautifully staged reader signing event bringing out international dark romance, high-fantasy, and romantic suspense self-published powerhouses.

Official Portal: wealthjuno.com

Tropics & Tropes Romance Fest

September 2026 / 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ROMANCE & ROMANTIC SUSPENSE

A prominent multi-day Orlando reader convention focusing heavily on independent publishing tropes, large signing halls, and targeted panels.

Official Portal: tropicsandtropes.com

GEORGIA

Dahlonega Literary Festival

March 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: REGIONAL APPALACHIAN FICTION & POETRY

An intimate, historic mountain village festival celebrating Southern Appalachian themes and independent historical novels.

Official Portal: literaryfestival.org

Decatur Book Festival

October 2026 / 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION & INDEPENDENT PRESSES

A historic pillar of Southern literary culture, pulling massive crowds to downtown Decatur for independent exhibitor rows and critical keynotes.

Official Portal: decaturbookfestival.com

Savannah Book Festival

February 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION, HISTORY & CULINARY ART

A beautifully staged public festival spanning Savannah's historic downtown squares, presenting high-profile award-winning authors.

Official Portal: savannahbookfestival.org

IDAHO

Storyfort

March 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: INDIE FICTION, POETRY & SONGWRITING

The dedicated literary branch of Boise’s expansive Treefort Music Fest, highlighting boundary-pushing independent authors and performance poetry.

Official Portal: treefortmusicfest.com/storyfort

ILLINOIS

Chicago Comic & Entertainment Expo (C2E2)

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: COMICS, GRAPHIC NOVELS & POP CULTURE

A major multi-genre fan convention at McCormick Place, showcasing exceptional independent comic art alleys and massive genre fiction pavilions.

Official Portal: c2e2.com

Chicago Zine Fest

October 2026 / 2027

FOCUS: SELF-PUBLISHED MEDIA & ZINES

An essential showcase highlighting DIY culture, self-published underground zines, micro-comics, and marginalized alternative narratives.

Official Portal: chicagozinefest.org

Printers Row Lit Fest

September 2026 / 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION, ANTIQUARIAN & SMALL PRESSES

The largest free open-air book market in the Midwest, anchoring historic Chicago booksellers alongside contemporary publisher tents.

Official Portal: printersrowlitfest.org

INDIANA

Indianapolis Book Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION & CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Organized in tandem with the city library framework, elevating Midwestern voices, young adult literacy, and regional indie authors.

Official Portal: indypl.org

IOWA

Des Moines Book Festival

March 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: COMMUNITY GENERAL FICTION & LOCAL LIBRARIES

A highly active localized showcase prioritizing new releases and fostering a supportive regional network between readers and authors.

Official Portal: beaverdalebooks.com

Iowa City Book Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: LITERARY FICTION, ACADEMIC & POETRY

Staged deep within America’s premier UNESCO City of Literature, emphasizing creative writing craft, legacy fiction, and academic excellence.

Official Portal: iowacitybookfestival.org

KANSAS

Kansas Book Festival

September 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: REGIONAL HISTORY & GENERAL FICTION

Hosted at Washburn University in Topeka, featuring dozens of regional authors, children's activities, and academic publishing tables.

Official Portal: kansasbookfestival.com

KENTUCKY

Kentucky Book Festival

November 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION & SOUTHERN HISTORY

A flagship state literary event held in Lexington, connecting hundreds of local and national writers with thousands of avid Bluegrass readers.

Official Portal: kyhumanities.org

LOUISIANA

Louisiana Book Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: SOUTHERN LITERATURE & REGIONAL HISTORY

Set directly on the state capitol grounds in Baton Rouge, offering a vibrant mix of historical deep-dives, Cajun culinary books, and Southern fiction.

Official Portal: louisianabookfestival.org

New Orleans Book Festival at Tulane

March 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: POLITICAL FICTION, JOURNALISM & GENERAL

A premier modern festival drawing national anchors of journalism, legal fiction, biography, and cultural commentary to Tulane's campus.

Official Portal: bookfest.tulane.edu

MAINE

Maine Literary Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: MARITIME LITERATURE & GENERAL FICTION

Based in Portland, celebrating New England’s deep coastal themes, environmental nature writing, and prominent regional indie fiction authors.

Official Portal: mainewriters.org

MARYLAND

Annapolis Book Festival

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: HISTORY, BIOGRAPHY & GENERAL FICTION

A popular regional event hosted on the Key School campus, blending political non-fiction panels with regional history and kids' zones.

Official Portal: keyschool.org/annapolisbookfestival

MASSACHUSETTS

Boston Book Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION, PHILOSOPHY & POETRY

Transforms Copley Square into a massive intellectual neighborhood filled with publisher kiosks, academic debates, and legacy fiction panels.

Official Portal: bostonbookfest.org

Nantucket Book Festival

June 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: LITERARY FICTION, HISTORY & BIOGRAPHY

An upscale, high-curation coastal event drawing top-tier national literary talent to intimate island venues and library halls.

Official Portal: nantucketbookfestival.org

MICHIGAN

Detroit Festival of Books

July 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: USED, RARE, ANTIQUARIAN & LOCAL INDIE

A massive, high-energy event at Eastern Market focused heavily on vintage vinyl, used books, rare collectibles, comic back-issues, and indie makers.

Official Portal: detroitbookfest.com

Midwest Literary Walk

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: POETRY, SMALL PRESS & LOCAL HERITAGE

A beautifully organic village walking festival in Chelsea, matching poetry readers with historic regional architectural landmarks.

Official Portal: chelseadistrictlibrary.org

MINNESOTA

Rosemount Writers Festival

March 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: MIDWESTERN FICTION & SELF-PUBLISHING WORKSHOPS

Pairs practical business tracks for contemporary self-published writers with an expansive public book fair hall for local readers.

Official Portal: rosemountwritersfestival.com

Twin Cities Book Festival

November 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: INDEPENDENT PRESSES, POETRY & FINE PRINT

The largest gathering of small presses, literary magazines, and independent authors in the Upper Midwest, staged at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds.

Official Portal: twincitiesbookfestival.com

MISSISSIPPI

Mississippi Book Festival

September 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: SOUTHERN FICTION & CIVIL RIGHTS HISTORY

Billed as a 'literary lawn party' on the Capitol grounds in Jackson, celebrating the state's profound contribution to iconic American letters.

Official Portal: msbookfestival.com

MISSOURI

SaSSy in St. Louis Event

June 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: CONTEMPORARY ROMANCE & NEW ADULT FICTION

A highly focused reader convention that specializes in high-heat romance, emotional contemporary fiction, and active creator merchandise panels.

Official Portal: wealthjuno.com

Unbound Book Festival

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: CONTEMPORARY FICTION, POETRY & BIOGRAPHY

Hosted in Columbia, explicitly refusing themes to let eclectically diverse national and international voices cross paths naturally.

Official Portal: unboundbookfestival.com

MONTANA

Montana Book Festival

September 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: WESTERN, NATIVE LITERATURE & ENVIRONMENT

Based in Missoula, amplifying the unique narrative voices of the American West, indigenous histories, and wilderness poetry.

Official Portal: montanabookfestival.org

NEBRASKA

Plum Creek Literacy Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: CHILDREN'S & YOUNG ADULT LITERATURE

Staged in Seward, serving as a prominent educational nexus matching classroom instructors and young students with notable children's creators.

Official Portal: cune.edu/plumcreek

NEVADA

Author Nation

November 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: INDIE ROMANCE, FANTASY & SELF-PUBLISHING

A massive professional industry evolution of the former 20Booksto50k convention in Las Vegas, blending heavy B2B publishing tools with a public signing.

Official Portal: authornation.live

Las Vegas Book Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION & CULTURAL NONFICTION

The premier public literary event in Nevada, filling downtown Las Vegas with diverse author stages, graphic novel alleys, and educational keynotes.

Official Portal: lasvegasbookfestival.com

LoveNVegas Reader Convention

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ROMANCE & ROMANTIC FANDOM

A massive fan festival centered around independent alpha-hero, sports, and fantasy romance books, creating high author-to-reader connectivity.

Official Portal: wealthjuno.com

NEW HAMPSHIRE

New Hampshire Book Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION & NEW ENGLAND CULTURE

Brings together dozens of national authors in historic downtown Concord for conversations, book signings, and community outreach events.

Official Portal: nhbookfestival.org

NEW JERSEY

Collingswood Book Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL, CHILDREN'S & REGIONAL INDIE

Spans several blocks of downtown Collingswood, connecting regional small presses and self-published novelists directly with families and readers.

Official Portal: collingswoodbookfestival.com

Jersey Art Book Fair

January 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: INDEPENDENT ZINES, GRAPHICS & ALTERNATIVE MEDIA

Focuses on the visual component of print, covering underground comic formats, risograph printing projects, and independent design zines.

Official Portal: jerseyartbookfair.org

NEW MEXICO

Santa Fe International Literary Festival

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GLOBAL FICTION, INDIGENOUS & TRANSLATION

A premier cross-cultural artistic gathering emphasizing international translations, historical indigenous realities, and celebrated world literature.

Official Portal: sfinternationallitfest.org

NEW YORK

ABAA New York Antiquarian Fair

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: RARE, VINTAGE & HISTORIC BOOKS

A prestigious indoor market at the Park Avenue Armory featuring museum-grade rare manuscripts, binding art, and illuminated volumes.

Official Portal: nyantiquarianbookfair.com

Adirondack Family Book Festival

August 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: CHILDREN'S LITERATURE & NATURE ILLUSTRATION

An organic outdoor mountain gathering connecting families with regional wildlife illustrators, children's writers, and nature poets.

Official Portal: adirondackfamilybookfestival.com

Brooklyn Book Festival

September 2026 / 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL LITERATURE, SMALL PRESSES & INDIE

New York City's marquee free public literary extravaganza, connecting a diverse metropolis with avant-garde authors and small independent presses.

Official Portal: brooklynbookfestival.org

Deep Water Literary Festival

June 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: AVANT-GARDE FICTION & SURREALIST POETRY

Staged in Narrowsburg, transforming the small town into a theatrical stage for historic avant-garde prose, independent theater scripts, and poetry.

Official Portal: deepwaterfestival.com

East Hampton Library Authors Night

August 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: CELEBRITY MEMOIR & HIGH-PROFILE NONFICTION

One of the country's most successful library fundraisers, gathering celebrity authors and biographers for an upscale tented public event.

Official Portal: authorsnight.org

New York Comic Con (NYCC)

October 2026 / 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: COMICS, GRAPHIC NOVELS, SCI-FI & POP CULTURE

The highest-attended fan convention on the East Coast, packing the Javits Center with prominent graphic novel releases and speculative fiction rows.

Official Portal: newyorkcomiccon.com

Rainbow Book Fair

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: LGBTQ+ FICTION, POETRY & HISTORY

The longest-running and largest queer literary event in America, showcasing dedicated LGBTQ+ small presses and independent gender-studies material.

Official Portal: rainbowbookfair.com

Schomburg Center Literary Fest

June 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: BLACK LITERATURE, DIASPORA HISTORY & ZINES

An annual public market and author festival celebrating independent global black culture, localized poetry, and civil rights publications.

Official Portal: schomburg100fest.org

The Bronx Book Festival

June 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: URBAN FICTION, POETRY & YOUNG ADULT LITERACY

A highly active neighborhood engine bringing prominent diverse trade and indie creators out to empower youth reading cultures.

Official Portal: thebronxisreading.com

The Harlem Book Fair

July 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: AFRICAN DIASPORA FICTION & POETRY

A foundational street event championing Black writers, spoken-word poetry panels, and independent self-published cultural books.

Official Portal: harlembookfair.com

NORTH CAROLINA

Bookmarks Festival of Books

September 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION & INDEPENDENT BOOKSHOPS

The largest annual book festival in the Carolinas, held in Winston-Salem, acting as a crucial regional accelerator for local reading culture.

Official Portal: bookmarksnc.org/festival

Greensboro Bound Literary Fest

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: POETRY, SOCIAL JUSTICE & GENERAL FICTION

A progressive independent-oriented festival pairing high-concept fiction panels with social policy talks and slam poetry stages.

Official Portal: greensborobound.org

Tempted and Tantalizing Signings

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ROMANCE, DARK ROMANCE & FANTASY ROMANCE

A boutique-style regional reader signing convention that targets high-concept romance themes, book aesthetics, and social-media influencers.

Official Portal: wealthjuno.com

OHIO

Buckeye Book Fair

November 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: OHIO AUTHORS & REGIONAL WORKS

A highly focused annual tradition in Wooster displaying hundreds of newly published titles written or illustrated explicitly by Ohio residents.

Official Portal: buckeyebookfair.org

Columbus Book Festival

July 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION, INDIE & SMALL PRESSES

A massive urban festival hosted by the Columbus Metropolitan Library, featuring hundreds of national authors, food trucks, and exhibitor stalls.

Official Portal: columbusbookfestival.org

The Akron Authors Con

August 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: INDIE CRIME, THRILLER & ROMANCE

An energetic independent multi-genre reader con providing extensive signing floors for self-published mystery, crime fiction, and contemporary romance.

Official Portal: akronauthorscon.com

The Big Ohio Book Con

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: MIDWESTERN INDEPENDENT FICTION

A community convention that joins indie general-fiction creators, fan artists, and local booksellers under one large regional roof.

Official Portal: bigohiobookcon.com

OKLAHOMA

Tulsa LitFest

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: MARGINALIZED VOICES, POETRY & LOCAL INDIE

Focuses intensely on creative writing craft, amplifying diverse regional identities, historical context, and independent artistic voices.

Official Portal: tulsa.okstate.edu/litfest

OREGON

Portland Book Festival

November 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION, POETRY & GRAPHIC PROSE

Hosted by Literary Arts at the Portland Art Museum, packing downtown with high-concept author readings, interactive workshops, and trade booths.

Official Portal: literary-arts.org/pbf

PENNSYLVANIA

Bucks County Book Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION & TRUE CRIME PANELS

Transforms downtown Doylestown into a historic literary hub, pulling strong audiences for high-profile biography and true-crime authors.

Official Portal: bucksbookfest.org

Easton Book Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: COMMUNITY GENERAL, SMALL PRESS & REGIONAL

An expansive multi-day festival along the Delaware River celebrating local college presses, independent novelists, and children's literature.

Official Portal: eastonbookfestival.com

RHODE ISLAND

Rhode Island Festival of Children's Books

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: CHILDREN'S & PICTURE BOOKS

Staged in Providence, bringing premier children's book illustrators and fairytale authors together for interactive drawing and reading days.

Official Portal: lincolnschool.org

SOUTH CAROLINA

Deckle Edge Literary Festival

March 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: SOUTHERN PROGRESSIVISM, POETRY & ZINES

Columbia's leading indie literary weekend, offering a highly curated alternative perspective on Southern letters, eco-poetry, and zines.

Official Portal: deckleedgesc.org

TENNESSEE

Rockin' Romance Readers Event

August 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ROMANCE, ROM-COM & FANTASY FICTION

An energetic fan meetup in Pigeon Forge connecting country-music loving romance authors, romantic comedy indie writers, and readers.

Official Portal: rockinromancereaders.com

Southern Festival of Books

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION, FOLK MUSIC & BIOGRAPHY

A legendary annual standard-bearer in Nashville, bringing together hundreds of writers for an accessible, community-wide public lawn party.

Official Portal: sofestofbooks.org

TEXAS

Austin African-American Book Fest

June 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: BLACK LITERATURE & CULTURAL SOCIAL POLICY

Combines public analytical academic discussions with vendor tables supporting black-owned small independent publishers and social activists.

Official Portal: aaabookfest.org

Book Bonanza

July 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ROMANCE, NEW ADULT & CONTEMPORARY POP

A high-profile, charity-focused massive romance reader convention founded by author Colleen Hoover, held in Grapevine.

Official Portal: thebookbonanza.com

Lone Star Book Festival

February 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: TEXAS REGIONAL HISTORY & AUTHORS

Focuses entirely on Texas lore, cowboy poetry, historical non-fiction research, and regional self-published historical romance lines.

Official Portal: wealthjuno.com

Lubbock Book Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: WEST TEXAS REGIONAL LORE & GENERAL FICTION

A festive desert-plains public gathering amplifying localized micro-presses, indie historical westerns, and high-school creative writing awards.

Official Portal: lubbockbookfest.com

National Black Book Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: AFRICAN AMERICAN FICTION & NONFICTION

The largest annual event sponsored by Black authors and publishers in the South, attracting hundreds of indie writers to Houston.

Official Portal: nationalblackbookfestival.com

San Antonio Book Festival

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: BICULTURAL FICTION, GENERAL & YA

Staged at the historic Central Library, serving as a dynamic platform for premier Mexican-American, regional, and national literary voices.

Official Portal: sabookfestival.org

Texas Book Festival

November 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL LITERATURE, POLITICAL NONFICTION & KIDS

Anchored directly within the massive Austin State Capitol complex, showcasing hundreds of high-caliber authors and a sprawling street market.

Official Portal: texasbookfestival.org

UTAH

Book Lovers Winter Festival

February 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: INDIE FICTION, ROMANCE & FANTASY

A unique mid-winter gathering in Salt Lake City optimized for genre fiction readers, offering author panels and massive book signings.

Official Portal: bookloversfest.com

VERMONT

Brattleboro Literary Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: LITERARY FICTION, SMALL PRESS & POETRY

A charming, highly historic New England village festival focusing heavily on the traditional craft of independent writing and poetry.

Official Portal: brattleboroliteraryfestival.org

VIRGINIA

Richmond Book Expo VII

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: HISTORICAL FICTION & ACADEMIC NONFICTION

A foundational regional event gathering independent historians, Mid-Atlantic fiction writers, and academic publishing wings.

Official Portal: richmondbookexpo.org

Virginia Festival of the Book

March 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL LITERATURE, ACADEMIC & HISTORY

A massive, deep five-day public program spanning Charlottesville, connecting corporate trade authors and university minds with readers.

Official Portal: vabook.org

WASHINGTON

Bainbridge Book Festival

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: PACIFIC NORTHWEST FICTION & ENVIRONMENTAL MEMOIRS

An organic island-community gathering highlighting deep ecological essays, timber-country lore, and independent fiction lines.

Official Portal: bainbridgebookfestival.org

Get Lit! Festival

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: POETRY, SMALL PRESS & CREATIVE WRITING

Spokane’s premier week-long literary framework run by Eastern Washington University, celebrating independent writing workshops and slam poetry.

Official Portal: inside.ewu.edu/getlit

WEST VIRGINIA

Lewisburg Literary Festival August 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: APPALACHIAN HISTORY & GENERAL FICTION

A charming public street fair honoring classic mountain storytelling traditions alongside active regional small presses and poets.

Official Portal: lewisburgliteraryfestival.com

West Virginia Book Festival October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: APPALACHIAN CULTURE & GENERAL FICTION

Hosted inside the Charleston Coliseum, presenting regional Appalachian cultural awards alongside prominent national bestselling keynotes.

Official Portal: wvbookfestival.org

WISCONSIN

Wisconsin Book Festival October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL FICTION, PUBLIC POLICY & MEMOIR

A highly progressive urban festival curated by the Madison Public Library, promoting critical non-fiction and global contemporary novelists.

Official Portal: wisconsinbookfestival.org

CANADA PROVINCE-BY-PROVINCE

ALBERTA

Calgary Wordfest October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: CONTEMPORARY FICTION, BIOGRAPHY & MEDIA

A massive, energetic gathering of international and Canadian authors across Calgary, known for lively interactive game-show style panels.

Official Portal: wordfest.com

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Vancouver Writers Fest

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: INTERNATIONAL & CANADIAN FICTION

Stationed beautifully on Granville Island, this premier Canadian festival sparks deep dialogues between readers and progressive writers.

Official Portal: writersfest.bc.ca

MANITOBA

Thin Air: Winnipeg International Writers Festival

September 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: BILINGUAL GENERAL FICTION & POETRY

An expansive dual-language (English/French) celebration of central Canadian letters, poetry slams, and targeted local school programs.

Official Portal: thinairfestival.ca

NEW BRUNSWICK

Frye Festival

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: BILINGUAL LITERATURE & ACADEMIC FICTION

Canada's premier bilingual literary festival located in Moncton, honoring literary theorist Northrop Frye with global French and English writers.

Official Portal: frye.ca

NEWFOUNDLAND

Writers at Woody Point

August 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: CONTEMPORARY CANADIAN LITERATURE & FOLK MUSIC

An intimate, coastal artistic destination blending award-winning literature with live traditional performance in Gros Morne National Park.

Official Portal: writersatwoodypoint.com

NOVA SCOTIA

Lunenburg Lit Festival

September 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ATLANTIC CANADIAN & COASTAL PROSE

Hosted in a historic maritime UNESCO World Heritage site, focusing deeply on Atlantic maritime prose, poetry, and indigenous history.

Official Portal: lunenburglitfestival.com

ONTARIO

Ancaster Literary Market

November 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: CANADIAN GENRE FICTION & HOLIDAY BOOK FAIR

A festive community gathering that merges artisanal gift tables with tables for independent Canadian fiction and regional history authors.

Official Portal: pagesandpleasures.com

Hamilton Romance Book Fair

December 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: INDIE ROMANCE, TROPES & MERCH

A highly interactive indie-focused signing market featuring specialized trope photo walls, curated romance merchants, and custom merch drops.

Official Portal: pagesandpleasures.com

Ottawa Pages & Pleasures Con

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: INDIE ROMANCE & SPECULATIVE FICTION MARKET

A growing specialized regional book fair connecting independent fantasy, urban sci-fi, and high-heat romance creators with Ontario fans.

Official Portal: pagesandpleasures.com

Romance Con Canada

June 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ROMANCE, NEW ADULT & FAN FICTION

Canada's marquee dedicated romance convention, connecting international genre powerhouses and Book-Tok stars with fans in Toronto.

Official Portal: romanceconcanada.com

The Word On The Street Toronto

September 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: CANADIAN FICTION, INDIGENOUS & MAGAZINES

Canada’s single largest free outdoor public literary marketplace, explicitly promoting domestic small presses and diverse authors.

Official Portal: toronto.thewordonthestreet.ca

Toronto Comicon

March 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: COMICS, GRAPHIC PROSE & POP CULTURE FANDOM

A major fan-driven pop culture festival packing the Metro Toronto Convention Centre with indie comic artist rows and genre books.

Official Portal: fanexpohq.com/torontocomicon

Toronto International Festival of Authors (TIFA)

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GLOBAL LITERARY MASTERCLASSES & TRADE

Canada’s longest-running foundational literary festival based at the Harbourfront Centre, drawing world-renowned legacy authors.

Official Portal: festivalofauthors.ca

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Montreal Comiccon

July 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: COMICS, GRAPHIC NOVELS & SCI-FI

A massive pop culture framework highlighting premier French and English graphic novel artists, speculative fiction, and fantasy paths.

Official Portal: montrealcomiccon.com

Salon international du livre de Québec

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: FRENCH LANGUAGE LITERATURE & INTERNATIONAL TRADE

The premier cultural flagbearer for French-language fiction in North America, filling Quebec City with tens of thousands of readers.

Official Portal: silq.ca

INTERNATIONAL GRAND EXHIBITIONS & HUBS

Buenos Aires International Book Fair (Argentina)

April–May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: SOUTH AMERICAN LITERARY FICTION & ACTIVISM

Spans nearly three weeks as an intensely political and culturally rich public carnival, drawing over a million Spanish-language readers annually.

Official Portal: el-libro.org.ar

Sydney Writers' Festival (Australia)

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: OCEANIC LITERATURE, JOURNALISM & CONTEMPORARY FICTION

Australia's premier celebration of written craft, drawing major global voices to Walsh Bay for intellectual debates and beautiful coastal panels.

Official Portal: swf.org.au

Bogota International Book Fair (FILBO) (Colombia)

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: LATIN AMERICAN PROSE, ECOLOGY & TRADE

A massive cultural engine for the Andean region, offering hundreds of author keynotes focused heavily on indigenous rights, ecology, and fiction.

Official Portal: feriadellibro.com

Cairo International Book Fair (Egypt)

January 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: PAN-ARAB LITERATURE, ACADEMIC HISTORY & TRADE

The oldest and largest book exhibition in the Arab world, filling sprawling multi-pavilion complexes with millions of academic volumes and trade texts.

Official Portal: cairobookfair.org.eg

Angoulême International Comics Festival (France)

January 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: DEFINITIVE EUROPEAN GRAPHIC NOVELS & COMIC ART

The most prestigious graphic novel event in Europe, awarding the iconic Fauve d'Or and setting global trends for structural comic art illustrators.

Official Portal: bdangouleme.com

Festival du Livre de Paris (France)

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: FRENCH & EUROPEAN LITERATURE, ART & TRADE

Staged under the Grand Palais Éphémère, this glamorous public showcase serves as the modern face of French corporate publishing and fine art print.

Official Portal: festivaldulivredeparis.fr

Frankfurt Book Fair (Frankfurter Buchmesse) (Germany)

October 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: THE DEFINITIVE GLOBAL B2B PUBLISHING TRADE SHOW

The largest book fair in the entire world. Heavily business-oriented, setting the definitive tone for international intellectual property rights.

Official Portal: buchmesse.de

Leipzig Book Fair (Germany)

March 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GENERAL TRADE EXHIBITION & EUROPEAN PUBLIC FESTIVAL

Combines a professional industrial expo with Europe's largest public reading initiative, 'Leipzig Liest', filling the city with book readings.

Official Portal: leipziger-buchmesse.de

Jaipur Literature Festival (India)

January 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GLOBAL INTELLECTUAL EXCHANGE & POSTCOLONIAL FICTION

Often called 'the greatest literary show on Earth', hosting a sensory explosion of international Nobel laureates, global politics, and postcolonial art.

Official Portal: jaipurliteraturefestival.org

Bologna Children's Book Fair (Italy)

April 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: CHILDREN'S BOOK PUBLISHING RIGHTS & ILLUSTRATION

The absolute benchmark global business forum for children's content, digital animation rights, and elite children's book illustrations.

Official Portal: bolognachildrensbookfair.com

Salone Internazionale del Libro di Torino (Italy)

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: EUROPEAN GENERAL TRADE & PUBLIC CULTURE

Italy's premier book exhibition hosted in Turin, offering sophisticated philosophical tracks alongside major commercial fiction booths.

Official Portal: salonelibro.it

Tokyo International Comic Market (Comiket) (Japan)

August & December 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: MANGA, INDEPENDENT DOUJINSHI & VISUAL MEDIA ZINES

The world's largest self-published comic and fan-manga bazaar, tracking hundreds of thousands of independent creative circles in Tokyo.

Official Portal: comiket.co.jp

Guadalajara International Book Fair (FIL) (Mexico)

Nov–Dec 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: SPANISH-LANGUAGE PUBLISHING & GLOBAL CULTURAL FEST

The premier epicentre for global Spanish publishing, and the second-largest book fair in the world, mixing industry trade with cultural dance.

Official Portal: fil.com.mx

Auckland Writers Festival (New Zealand)

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: PACIFIC LITERATURE, MĀORI CULTURE & GENERAL FICTION

Stands as the cultural highpoint of New Zealand letters, masterfully weaving indigenous Pacific storytelling with major global fiction headliners.

Official Portal: writersfestival.co.nz

Edinburgh International Book Festival (Scotland)

August 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GLOBAL THOUGHT, IDEAS & CONTEMPORARY PROSE

The largest public celebration of written thought in the world, organizing hundreds of events across Scotland's historic artistic capital.

Official Portal: edbookfest.co.uk

Open Book Festival Cape Town (South Africa)

September 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: AFRICAN FICTION, INDEPENDENT POLITICS & ZINES

An innovative, highly intimate urban festival focused deeply on South African contemporary struggles, independent comic arts, and diverse voices.

Official Portal: openbookfestival.co.nz

Taipei International Book Exhibition (TIBE) (Taiwan)

February 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ASIAN B2B PUBLISHING, TECH & DIGITAL MEDIA

A foundational gateway to the Asian print market, highlighting cutting-edge AI digital reading pavilions, comic culture, and key rights meetings.

Official Portal: tibe.org.tw

Sharjah International Book Fair (United Arab Emirates)

November 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: MIDDLE EASTERN TRADE, ISLAMIC ACADEMIC & GENERAL

A massive, hyper-funded cross-cultural marvel serving as the crucial bridge between Western trade publishers and Arabic educational systems.

Official Portal: sibf.com

Charleston Festival (United Kingdom)

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: MODERNIST LITERATURE, ARTS & BLOOMSBURY HISTORY

Staged at the historic country home of the Bloomsbury Group, hosting highly intellectual historical, landscape, and art-critical panel tracks.

Official Portal: charleston.org.uk

Four Brits Book Fest (United Kingdom)

June 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: INTERNATIONAL ROMANCE & CONTEMPORARY POP FICTION

A dominant European multi-author reader convention that focuses heavily on independent commercial fiction, romance tropes, and merchandise panels.

Official Portal: fourbritsbookfest.com

Hay Festival (United Kingdom)

May 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GLOBAL INTELLECT, POLITICAL PROSE & GENERAL FICTION

Staged in the famous booktown of Hay-on-Wye, Wales; draws world leaders, premier thinkers, and hundreds of thousands of guests.

Official Portal: hayfestival.com

RARE (Romance Author Event) London (United Kingdom)

August 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: ROMANCE & ROMANTIC FANDOM

One of the most famous traveling romance conventions in the world, bringing massive lists of international romance stars to the UK.

Official Portal: rarebookevents.com

The London Book Fair (United Kingdom)

March 2027 / 2028

FOCUS: GLOBAL PUBLISHING B2B RIGHTS & INDUSTRY TRADE

The primary international hub for corporate content creators, rights negotiations, translation deals, and global distribution logistics.

Official Portal: londonbookfair.co.uk