



Festival Guide

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TELLING TALES FESTIVAL 2024
Royal Botanical Gardens | Hendrie Park
September 21 & 22 | 10am - 5pm
TellingTales.org |      @TellingTalesOrg

MAP KEY

Performance Areas

- A** Main Stage (All Ages)
- B** Read Together Tent (Ages 0-6)
- C** Early Reader Tent (Ages 6-8)
- D** Preteen Tent (Ages 9-12)
- E** Young Adult Tent (Ages 13+)
- F** Creativity Zone
- G** Kinderfest | Open-Air Theatre

Sponsor Hubs

- 1** TD Bank Group
- 2** Access Storage
- 3** Cogeco

Books, Books, Books!

- DD** Official Bookseller (Ages 0-12)
A Different Drummer Books
- EB** Official Bookseller (Ages 13+)
Epic Books
- Book Swap & Shop |**
Échange et achat de livres

Fun Stuff

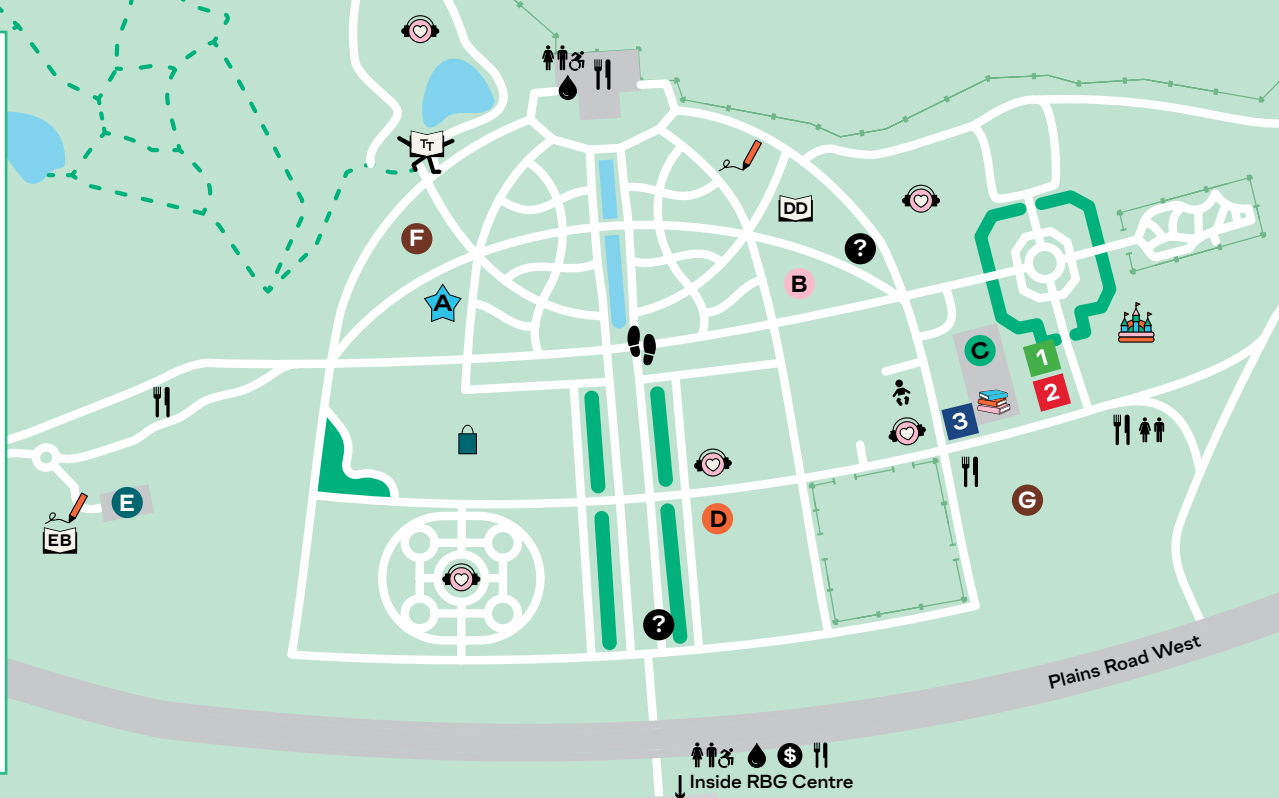
- SF** Sensory-Friendly Spaces
- EG** Exhibitor Grove
- RBG** RBG Sculpture Tours
- SGSW** Self-Guided StoryWalk: feat.
Bounce! by Robert Munsch
- AT** Autograph Tent
- AZ** Active Zone: Bouncy Castle

Good to Know

- I** Info Booth & Merch
- W** Washrooms
- N** Nursing Station
- FV** Food Vendor
- WBF** Water Bottle Filling Station
- A** ATM



For all ages, because great tales never grow old.



SEE AND DO

- ▶ Engage in inclusive multi-sensory activities at **Telling Tales Programming Tents** across the festival. These “yes spaces” are designed to be engaging and welcoming for the needs of Neurodivergent children and their families. Each tent will also have a designated quiet space.
- ▶ **ASL interpreters** will be on-site on Sunday only at the Early Reader Tent (Ages 6-8), Preteen Tent (Ages 9-12), and Main Stage Festival Headliner Presentation with Helaine and Kevin.
- ▶ Need some quiet time? Head to one of our **Sensory-Friendly Spaces**.
- ▶ Need to get your wiggles out? Head to our **Bouncy Castle** at the east side of the park near many of our **Food Vendors**.
- ▶ Enjoy live theatre around the park with the Arts For All presentation of **Kinderfest** theatre for young minds with *Flora & Fauna* offered daily at 1:20 PM and **Burlington Student Theatre** wandering Literary Characters.
- ▶ Join all of our authors directly following their presentations at one of our **Autograph Tents**.
- ▶ Join our **Scavenger Hunt**—pick up a card at the info booth and win a book from **Scholastic Canada**.
- ▶ Come check out the great selection of lightly used English and French books to swap with or buy at the **Book Swap & Shop | Échange et achat de livres** presented in partnership with Centre francophone Hamilton.
- ▶ Visit **Exhibitor Grove** for activities and information from community groups, authors, book lovers, and more.

- ▶ Head to the **F Creativity Zone** to enjoy multi-arts activities presented by local arts organizations. *See page 7* for a full listing.
- ▶ **RBG Sculpture Tour** Times: 10:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 1:30 PM, and 2:30 PM.
- ▶ Visit the major partners of the 16th annual Telling Tales Festival for fun activities and giveaways from **1 TD Bank Group, 3 Cogeco, and 2 Access Storage**.
- ▶ Fill out our **online survey** to win great prizes!



EXHIBITOR GROVE LISTINGS

Artisan
Uzma Crystals & Toys

Authors
Alisse Lee
Goldenberg



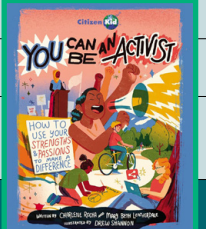





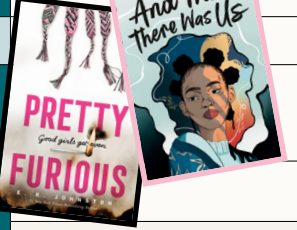






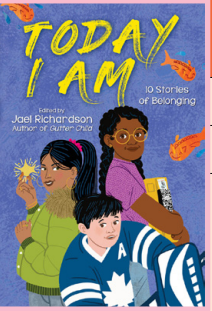


Edu-tainer
Timm Holmes
Bela Sharma Bratch
Dan Lawrie
Dr. Robin Baweja
Chris T. Boucher
Julie Thompson
Sylvie Gionet
Lyle and Leeto
Erica Richmond
Sara Furlong
Amel Farag
TR Simmons

Book Publishers
Pandamonium
Publishing House
Wolsak and Wynn

Nonprofits
Autism Ontario
Canadian Children's
Book Centre (CCBC)
Children's International
Learning Centre (CILC)
CST Savings Inc.

Kids' Lit Quiz Canada
Soapbox Science
Hamilton
Start2Finish
The Baby Depot

Bookstore
The Library
Marketplace (Ontario
Library Association)

TIME	MAIN STAGE A ALL AGES	READ TOGETHER TENT B AGES 0-6 Sponsored by 	EARLY READER TENT C AGES 6-8	PRETEEN TENT D AGES 9-12	YOUNG ADULT TENT E AGES 13+	AROUND THE FESTIVAL ALL AGES	TIME
10:00 AM	FESTIVAL OPENING						10:00 AM
10:20 AM	Hamilton Children's Choir 10:00 - 11:00 AM					Puppet Show with BPL 10:20 - 10:40 AM F	10:20 AM
10:40 AM		Lana Button See You Later, Alligator! 10:40 - 11:00 AM		Carol-Ann Hoyte On the Spot Poetry 10:40 - 11:40 AM			10:40 AM
11:00 AM	HPL Storytime 11:00 - 11:20 AM		Dorothy Ellen Palmer The Scooter Twins 10:40 - 11:00 AM				11:00 AM
11:20 AM	Move your Body with GOODBODYFEEL 11:20 AM - 12:00 PM	Sarabeth Holden Sea Snooze 11:20 - 11:40 AM			Charlene Rocha You Can Be An Activist 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Puppet Show with BPL 11:20 - 11:40 AM F	11:20 AM
11:40 AM							11:40 AM
12:00 PM	FESTIVAL HEADLINER						12:00 PM
12:20 PM	Sharon and Randi Sharon, Lois & Bram's Peanut Butter and Jelly 12:00 - 12:40 PM				Navigating the Now E.K. Johnston Pretty Furious Kern Carter And Then There Was Us Maya Ameyaw Under All the Lights 12:20 - 1:20 PM		12:20 PM
12:40 PM	HPL Storytime 12:40 - 1:00 PM						12:40 PM
1:00 PM	Hexe Noire Drag Storytime 1:00 - 1:40 PM		Monica Arnaldo The Museum of Very Bad Smells 1:00 - 2:00 PM	Jessica Rose Let's Get Creative 12:40 - 1:40 PM		Puppet Show with BPL 1:00 - 1:20 PM F	1:00 PM
1:20 PM		Kate Jenks Landry Beatrice and Barb 1:00 - 2:00 PM				Arts For All Presents: Kinderfest Femmes du Feu Creations Flora & Fauna 1:20 - 2:20 PM	1:20 PM
1:40 PM	HPL Storytime 1:40 - 2:00 PM						1:40 PM
2:00 PM	My Friend Christopher LIVE MUSIC 2:00 - 3:00 PM			Richard Scrimger Your Story Matters 2:00 - 3:00 PM		Vikki VanSickle The Lightning Circle 1:40 - 2:40 PM	2:00 PM
2:20 PM		Janie Hao Mad at Dad 2:20 - 2:40 PM				Puppet Show with BPL 2:20 - 2:40 PM F	2:20 PM
2:40 PM			Jody Boston Story, Imagine, Play 2:20 - 3:20 PM				2:40 PM
3:00 PM	HPL Storytime 3:00 - 3:20 PM	Nadia Alam The Wishing Machine 3:00 - 4:00 PM			Braving the Page Rosena Fung Age 16 Jessica Vitalis Coyote Queen 3:00 - 4:00 PM	 	3:00 PM
3:20 PM	Josh Taylor Defining Movement Dance 3:20 - 4:20 PM			Angela Misri Today I Am 3:20 - 4:20 PM			3:20 PM
3:40 PM			Hayley Lowe The Pie Reports 3:40 - 4:40 PM				3:40 PM
4:00 PM					From Pages to Panels Adrienne Kress Bendy Joel A. Sutherland Haunted Canada Graphic Novel 4:20 - 5:20 PM		4:00 PM
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10:00 AM	Hamilton Music Collective Presents: Queen Pepper LIVE MUSIC 10:00 - 11:00 AM						10:00 AM
10:20 AM		Centre francophone Hamilton présente: Onome Ako <i>Mon Nom Est Kikelomo / I Am Cherished</i> 10:20 - 11:00 AM	Farah Qaiser <i>Khadija and the Elephant Toothpaste Experiment</i> 10:20 - 11:00 AM				Puppet Show with BPL 10:20 - 10:40 AM ^F
10:40 AM					Kristy Jackson <i>Mortified</i> 10:40 - 11:40 AM		
11:00 AM	HPL Storytime 11:00 - 11:20 AM	Melanie Florence <i>Kaiah's Garden</i> 11:00 - 11:20 AM			Cheryl Isaacs in Conversation with: Jen Ferguson <i>A Constellation of Minor Bears</i> 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM		11:00 AM
11:20 AM	Move your Body with GOODBODYFEEL 11:20 AM - 12:00 PM	 				 	Puppet Show with BPL 11:20 - 11:40 AM ^F
11:40 AM							
12:00 PM	FESTIVAL HEADLINER						12:00 PM
12:20 PM	 Helaine Becker and Kevin Sylvester <i>Puffin and Penguin</i> 12:00 - 12:40 PM				Sankofa's Pen Presents: A Celebration of 10 Years of Black Canadian Kidlit and YAlit Creators Nadia L. Hohn Host Sarah Raughley <i>The Lady of Rapture</i> Liselle Sambury <i>Tender Beasts</i> Onome Ako <i>I Am Cherished</i> 12:00 - 1:00 PM		12:20 PM
12:40 PM							
12:40 PM	HPL Storytime 12:40 - 1:00 PM			Wali Shah <i>Call Me Al</i> 12:40 - 1:40 PM			12:40 PM
1:00 PM	My Friend Christopher LIVE MUSIC 1:00 - 1:40 PM	Wai Mei Wong <i>I Love Myself</i> 1:00 - 2:00 PM				Hamilton Verse Presents: Write Like the X-MEN Ian Keteku Host Gavin Ball Artist 1:20 - 2:20 PM	Puppet Show with BPL 1:00 - 1:20 PM ^F
1:20 PM							
1:40 PM	HPL Storytime 1:40 - 2:00 PM		Christine D.U. Chung & Salwa Majoka <i>Viewfinder</i> 1:00 - 2:00 PM				1:40 PM
2:00 PM	Michelle Gram Giesen Story Drama Suite 2:00 - 2:40 PM	Sylv Chiang <i>Still My Tessa</i> 2:00 - 2:20 PM	Melanie Florence <i>Kaiah's Garden</i> 2:00 - 3:00 PM	Paromita Kar Danced Stories from South Asia and Central Asia 2:00 - 3:00 PM		Arts For All Presents: Kinderfest Femmes du Feu Creations Flora & Fauna 1:20 - 2:20 PM	2:00 PM
2:20 PM							
2:40 PM	HPL Storytime 2:40 - 3:00 PM	Centre francophone Hamilton présente: Caroline Merola <i>Histoires fantastiques</i> 2:40 - 3:00 PM			CCBC Presents: What Lurks Beneath Liselle Sambury <i>Tender Beasts</i> Cheryl Isaacs <i>The Unfinished</i> Matteo Cerilli <i>Lockjaw</i> 2:40 - 3:40 PM		2:40 PM
3:00 PM	HPO Presents: David Pell <i>Get to Know the Trombone</i> 3:00 - 4:00 PM	Hawlii Pichette <i>It's Powwow Time!</i> 3:20 - 3:40 PM	Andrea Curtis <i>Loop de Loop</i> 3:20 - 4:20 PM	Joel A. Sutherland <i>Haunted Canada</i> Graphic Novel 3:20 - 4:20 PM		 	
3:20 PM							
3:40 PM					Unbound Stories D'Scribe Poet Sassy La V Comedian St. John Boy Drag King 3:40 - 4:40 PM		3:40 PM
4:00 PM							4:00 PM
4:20 PM							4:20 PM

CREATIVITY ZONE LISTINGS **F**

- ▶ **Art Gallery of Burlington** | Join the AGB for a collage party! We'll have all the materials to make amazing collages using landscapes, characters, and text cut from a variety of sources. (Saturday only)
- ▶ **Burlington Public Library** | Enjoy interactive puppet shows, parachute play, songs, and more. Try your luck playing one of the BIG GAMES under the tent! Check the Festival Schedule for Puppet showtimes.
- ▶ **Dundas Valley School of Art**
Experimenting with a variety of drawing materials and pulling inspiration from the RBG gardens, we will design whimsical storybook characters based on flowers and plants. (Sunday only)
- ▶ **Hamilton Music Collective** | HMC's interactive beat-making station demonstrates how to make music with slamming beats, dazzling chord progressions, and catchy melodies that will blow your friends' minds. (Sunday only)
- ▶ **Hamilton Public Library** | Join HPL for interactive STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) fun, button-making, bubbles and more. Check the Festival Schedule for Storytime with HPL showtimes.

- ▶ **Imagine In The Park** | Bring vegetables to life through the whimsical world of vegetable creature drawing with artist Maryna Salagub (Saturday). Sarah Hoops of Hamilton Aerial Group hosts Hula Hoop workshops (Sunday)!
- ▶ **The City of Hamilton Children's and Community Services Division, EarlyON Child and Family Centres | Hamilton Wentworth Catholic Child Care Centres**
Creative expression with a variety of art mediums and big body early learning and play experiences.

LIVE THEATRE PERFORMANCES

- ▶ **Arts For All** creates arts access for all, connects artists to communities, and inspires arts everyday, everywhere, for everyone. AFA presents **Kinderfest** featuring **Femmes du Feu, Flora & Fauna** daily at 1:20 PM **G**. *Flora & Fauna* is an early years creation exploring themes of relationship and nature and invites audiences to greet the magical forest.
- ▶ **Burlington Student Theatre** is a community-based program for youth. Join in the fun with wandering literary characters brought to life including: Alice (in Wonderland), Captain Hook, The Cat in the Hat, and many more!

CO-HOSTS



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