



WRITERS' FESTIVAL 2026

Venue	Start	End	Prog	Event	FACILITATOR
Auditorium	10.30	10.40	Welcome Wilde H&FWF Founder: Rasheda Malcolm Disruptive Coach: Marcia Gordon	Welcome to Wilde Foundation H&F Writers Festival 2026	
Auditorium	10.45	11.15	Presentation: Irish Creative Writers Collective 'Voices From Ireland'		Dee-Dee Keogh
Boardroom	11.15 11.15am	12.10 12.10pm	Open Mic Session Got Something to Say...?	A space where voices rise, stories unfold, and creativity takes centre stage	Chaired by Sheda, Yohanes and Kwame
Auditorium	11.25 11.25am	12.25 12.25pm	Speed Pitch and Advice Presentation- Curtis Brown	Meet the Publishers: Catriona Paget Curtis Brown	Chaired by Marcia G
Auditorium	12.40 12.40pm	13.20 1.20pm	In Conversation With Shaun Wallace	Informal chat with Shaun Wallace about his career, life in the spotlight and his book 'Chasing The Dream'	Interviewed by Jackee Holder
Boardroom	12.20 12.20pm	13.15 1.15pm	Poetry Workshop Title: Brick By Brick	Poetry Workshop with SHEDA	SHEDA



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LUNCH	13.00	14.30	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
Boardroom	14.20 2.20pm	15.20 3.20pm	Conscious Dreams Publishing	7 Steps to Self-Publishing	Facilitated by Daniella Blechner
Auditorium	14.30 2.30pm	16.00 4pm	Panel Discussion Women Who Write - be inspired by the powerhouse of Female Authors!	A great time to be a writer: Representation in Literature - The role of women's voices in shaping cultural narratives.	Chaired by Niki Igbaroola <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tina Andrews • Yvette Edwards • Yvonne Bailey Smith • Onyi Nwabinelic • Fatin Abbas
Boardroom	16.00 4pm	17.00 5.00pm	Author Book Signings - TBC		
Auditorium	16.20 4.20pm	17.00 5pm	Book Club - WILDE Festival & LWL Book Club Recommendations	A discussion on some of the best books reviewed and recommended	Sandy Parris and Bukola Akinyemi
Auditorium	17.10 5.10pm	17.30 17.30 pm	Announcement: Competition Winners and Raffle Winners. Thank You.		