



Titiraqtat Inuit Circumpolar Writers Festival

October 13-15, 2023, Iqaluit, Nunavut

Writer's and Presenter's Program



13/10/2023

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Louise Flaherty, Inhabit Media Inc.
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Louise Flaherty, President of Inhabit Media Inc. provides an overview of Inhabit Media and Arvaaq Press and their work as a promoter of Inuktitut literature, as well as how to get published

11:00 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Sean Guistini, NAC Media
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Sean Guistini presents on NAC Media's work with digitizing recordings of Inuit telling stories from as early as the 1920s.

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.
Marianne Stenbaek, McGill University,
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Professor Stenbaek presents on the current status of Inuit Literature as it is taught in southern universities.

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Library and Archives Canada,
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- LAC present on 2 of their initiatives: 1) Listen, Hear our Voices and 2) We are Here: Sharing Stories.

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Sylvia Cloutier - Playwright
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Sylvia Cloutier discusses using playwriting as a medium for telling stories and discusses writing as a tool for decolonization.

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Author Panel Discussion
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- What people don't tell you about writing - Facilitated by Napatsi Folger. Established writers share their advice and experience with the emerging writers.

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10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Nelly Duviq, Nuvviti School
Online, Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Nelly Duviq presents on Nunavik literature and students from Nuvviti School publishing their own book.

11:00 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Juaaka Lyberth, Kalaallit Atuakkiortut
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Juaaka Lyberth presents on the work of the Greenlandic Writers Association, Kalaallit Atuakkiortut and facilitates a discussion on how to start a writer's association.

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.
Library and Archives Canada
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- LAC presents on how to search their archival section on Inuit content for research purposes.

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Bill Flowers - Author Presentation
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Author Bill Flowers presents and reads from his book "Olav's Story".

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Dennis Allen - facilitated discussion
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Writer Dennis Allen discusses writing in your own voice and being true to your identity.

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Poetry Reading with Allison
Akootchook Warden
Frobisher Inn, Kitikmeot Room

- Poet Allison Akootchook Warden reads a selection of her poems and provides mentorship advice for female Inuit through a Q&A.

6:30 – 10:00 p.m.
Gala Dinner
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Gala dinner to begin with a storyteller of Inuit traditional stories at 6:30. Dinner to start at 7:00, followed by entertainment. Cash bar only.

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10:30 – 12:00 p.m.
Family Fun Time! with Maika Harper and
Celina Kalluk
Iqaluit Centennial Library

- Children's authors Maika and Celina reads from their books "The Walrus and the Caribou" and "Sweetest Kulu". Followed by a children's activity. Adult company required

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Jaypetee Arnakak, NBES
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- The Nunavut Bilingual Education Society presents on their work as a non-profit society that seeks to preserve and promote Inuit language, culture, and strengthen literacy throughout Nunavut and across Canada.

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Juaaka Lyberth, Author Presentation
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Author Juaaka Lyberth presents and reads from his book "On Their Way".

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.
Apollus Inūsugtok, Author Presentation
Online, Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Apollus Inūsugtok discusses and reads selections from his books, followed by a Q&A.

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Ashley Qilavaq-Savard,
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Writer Ashley Qilavaq-Savard reads selections of her poems from her book, "Where the Sea Kuniks the Land".

3:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Writers' discussion
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Writers discuss writing in isolation and sharing ideas on overcoming "writing challenges".

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
Writers' discussion
Frobisher Inn, Baffin Room

- Wrap-up discussion. Writers and emerging writers share their final thoughts.

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