Sixth Annual Pgh Book Fest

PGH BOOK FEST 2027

Saturday, June 5, 2027
Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh – Main (Oakland)
4400 Forbes Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Pgh Book Fest celebrates Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh's 130-year history of service to a community of readers by bringing authors and book lovers together in an inclusive and family-friendly atmosphere.

What Are Other Writers Saying?

"I loved the venue, the friendly fellow authors, the enthusiastic (and huge!) crowd, the conversations with readers, and the dedicated work of the volunteers and staff."
Joshua David Bellin

"The attendees were so wonderful! It was a great mix of people from all walks of life, and they were so interested in asking genuine questions and supporting local authors"
Rachel Vinciguerra

"I loved interacting with local authors and like-minded book lovers. I really enjoyed the conversations with the community and answering questions about the writing process and my sheer joy in the written world."
Danielle Lydic



2026 By The Numbers:

10,000+ ATTENDEES

47 VENDORS

64 PROGRAMS

115 WRITERS' ROW & AUTHORS

41 AVERAGE BOOKS SOLD

Apply online at pghbookfest.org

Writers' Row Information

What is Writers' Row?

Writers' Row is a program at the Festival tailored to self-published authors or authors who are part of small publishing houses. The program allows writers the chance to sell books and showcase their work among Pittsburgh's literary community.

Pgh Book Fest is committed to selecting Writers' Row participants who present a dynamic and diverse slate of titles across age groups and genres with a focus on our local literary community.

Participation Guidelines

- Writers' Row tables are reserved for authors who are self-published or part of small publishing houses.
- Materials must be professionally bound.
- Seller must be the author, co-author, or illustrator of the title being sold.
- Sellers are responsible for the coordination of their book sales.

Application Process

CLP fosters a community where authors and readers connect, amplifying and uplifting a diverse range of voices. We prioritize human creativity and knowledge. Interested authors must complete a Writers' Row application. Please do not send physical copies of the book to Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh. A selection committee will evaluate all applications using the following criteria:

- Connection to the vision and goals of Pgh Book Fest.
- Local appeal of title(s) being sold.
- Timeliness of materials.

Application Timeline

January 4, 2027, or after the selection committee receives 250 applications.
Applications for Writers' Row close.

February–March 2027
Selected authors will receive their invitations.

April 2027
Waitlisted authors may receive contact about available spaces.

Online Promotion

Confirmed authors will be promoted on the Pgh Book Fest website, across social media channels, and in the monthly newsletter following the completion of the Writers' Row contract and promotion form.

Video & Photography

Video footage and photography will be taken during the entire duration of the Festival. The Festival reserves the right to all photography and videography taken by its personnel. Photography and videography may be used to promote the Festival.

Questions?

Please contact your Festival representative or pittsburghbookfestival@carnegielibrary.org.

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