

SCHEDULE OF JAPANESE AUTHORS

معرض شارلجا الدولي للكتاب Sharjah International Book Fair

Friday 2/11

19:00 – 18:00

THE ROLE OF NATURE IN LITERATURE

The natural world has always been an important subject for poets and prose writers from around the world. Authors from Japan and Middle East will share the different use of nature in their works, to create the fascinating images of two different worlds.

Natsu Miyashita
Antoine Douaihy

Literature Forum
Sharjah Book Authority

Saturday 3/11

21:30 – 20:30

CONTEMPORARY JAPANESE FICTION

Author and translator Motoyuki Shibata from Japan will talk to audience on contemporary Japanese fiction.

Motoyuki Shibata
Moderator: Leza Lowitz

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Sunday 4/11

20:15 – 19:15

OUTSIDERS, OUTLAWS AND ODDBALLS: THE NEW JAPAN?

In a culture that prides itself on sameness, are misfits the new literary heroes? Our guest authors Shogo Oketani and Leza Lowitz will shed light on this interesting topic.

Shogo Oketani
Leza Lowitz
Moderator: Rehan Khan

Book Forum
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21:30 – 20:30

LITERATURE ACROSS BORDERS

How do we listen to literary voices that belong to cultures that are remote from us? Does literature help bring different cultures together?

Kanako Nishi
Fae'di Azzam
Moderator: Allison Markin Powell

Literature Forum
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Tuesday 6/11

20:15 – 19:15

TRANSLATING CULTURES TO BUILD CONNECTIONS

How to promote the transnational circulation of literary works? Does translation of literary works into other languages improves access to understand different cultures? How it helps reaching new audience? Authors from Japan and Arabic world will share their views.

Tomoka Shibasaki
Ginny Takemori
Ahmed Abdullatif

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Wednesday 7/11

20:15 – 19:15

MYSTERIES AND THRILLERS

Mysteries and thrillers make up a huge portion of the Japanese literary market and have significantly proliferated on Western shelves. Author of bestselling suspense novel 'Confessions', Kanae Minato along with popular novelist Abdul Wahhab Al-Rifa'i will share their experience of writing in this popular genre.

Kanae Minato
Fuminori Nakamura
Abdul Wahhab Al-Rifa'i
Moderator: Allison Markin Powell

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Thursday 8/11

21:30 – 20:30

VISUAL WORLDS OF MANGA AND ANIME

Once almost completely unknown to the world outside Japan, Manga and Anime have become global phenomenon, and their popularity is growing every day.

Author Roland Kelts will share his views on these interesting artworks of Japanese literature and how it as invaded the other countries.

Roland Kelts
Moderator: Rehan Khan

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Friday 9/11

20:15 – 19:15

RISK AND RESILIENCE

Risk and resilience have been popular themes of several authors over the time. How these themes are being addressed by contemporary writers? Do writers feel more responsible to address the issues of depression and hopelessness especially in the youth today?

Kazuki Sakuraba
Kyoko Nakajima
Nabil Sulaiman
Moderator: Layla El-Wafi

Book Forum
Sharjah Book Authority

Saturday 10/11

19:00 – 18:00

PUBLIC RELATIONS IN HYPER- GLOBALIZATION

An informative and interactive session on the need of Public Relations in Hyper-globalization. Dr. Takashi Inoue, author of Public Relations in Hyper-globalization: essential relationship management, will share his valuable views.

Dr. Takashi Inoue

Intellectual hall
Sharjah Book Authority

