



Virginia Festival of the Book

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Submissions Open for 25th Anniversary Virginia Festival of the Book

June 4, 2018—Charlottesville, Va.—The **Virginia Festival of the Book**, a program of Virginia Humanities, announces that it is **now accepting submissions for the 2019 Festival, which will take place March 20-24, 2019**, in Charlottesville and Albemarle County, Virginia.

Each year, the Virginia Festival of the Book invites submissions of original, published books of fiction (all genres), nonfiction, poetry, and children's and young adult literature. **Writers, illustrators, and other publishing professionals with a new book** published in 2018 or early 2019 are encouraged to submit their books for consideration.

The Festival encourages submissions by individuals from diverse backgrounds, including race and ethnicity, gender or sexual orientation, class, and/or abilities. All genres are accepted.

Submission guidelines and the online form to submit are available at VaBook.org/Submissions. Only online submissions will be accepted. The deadline to submit is **October 1, 2018**.

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About the Virginia Festival of the Book: A signature program of Virginia Humanities and the Virginia Center for the Book, the Virginia Festival of the Book brings readers and writers together for a five-day program of mostly free events including author readings, book signings, panel discussions, programs for children, and more. **The 25th annual Festival will be held March 20-24, 2019**, in Charlottesville and Albemarle County, Virginia. The Festival has consistently attracted audiences of more than 20,000 from more than forty states each year, with an estimated local economic impact of about \$4 million annually. To learn more, please visit VaBook.org.

About Virginia Humanities: Virginia Humanities connects people and ideas to explore the human experience and inspire cultural engagement. As the state humanities council, Virginia Humanities reaches millions in its estimated annual audience through festivals, grants, fellowships, digital initiatives, teacher institutes, radio programs, podcasts, apprenticeships, and school programs. Headquartered at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Virginia Humanities endeavors to serve Virginians in every corner of the Commonwealth. To learn more visit VirginiaHumanities.org.