

2025 NATIONAL STORYTELLING CONFERENCE — TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

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STILLWELL THEATER 133 (VIRTUAL TICKET)	ONYX THEATER 1001	ROOM 103	ROOM 114	ROOM 138	ROOM 108	ROOM 221	ROOM 225	ROOM 227	ROOM 230
Silent Auction & Bookstore: Room 119; Quiet Space: Room 112; Registration & Info Desk: Lobby of Wilson Building									

Thursday, July 17

1:00 Check-in									
Shuttle to Wilson Building									
3:00-3:50	Opening Mixer: Welcome to the Conference! Building a Conference Community by Susan O'Halloran								
4:00-5:30			Workshop (ECO): Close Encounters of the Natural Kind - an environmental story exploration by Jackson Gillman	Workshop (SIO, YES): Right From the Start: Engaging Story Beginnings by Kathleen Santopietro	Presentation (HSA): Listening Between the Lines: Deepening How We Hear Hard Stories by Nancy Donoval	Workshop (ECO, YES): Learn how to harness storytelling to catalyse regenerative change by Jenni Cargill-Strong [INTERNATIONAL, STREAMED]	Presentation (HSA): Erased Voices: Creating Pilviskai: My Father's Village, A Cautionary Tale by Karen Golden		
5:30-6:30 Dinner									
6:30-6:45	President's Welcome by Delanna Reed								
6:45-8:45	Regional Teller Showcase								
8:45-9:00 Break									
9:00-10:00			Fringe: Hagnificent by Deborah From	Fringe: Exile by Sarah Beth Nelson emceed by Karin Amano	Fringe: Inheritance: An Intergenerational Show by Katherine Eid Wild				
9:00-10:30									
10:05-11:00			Swap by Kanute Rarey	Swap by Gwendolyn Napier					
Shuttle to Housing									

Friday, July 18

Shuttle to Wilson Building									
6:30-8:50 Breakfast									
7:30-8:00	Outdoor Morning Activity: Laughter Yoga For Health And Happiness by Josie Bailey					Outdoor Morning Activity (YES): Themed Morning Yoga Sunrise Stretch by Elizabeth Rose			
8:00-8:30	Outdoor Morning Activity: This is a Wonderful Day: Practicing Joy in the Morning by Lyn Ford					Outdoor Morning Activity: Wake Up Your Body's Energy With Qigong by Gloria Elder			

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8:20-8:50		Morning Activity: MORNING HAS BROKEN! Come sing along as we start the new day! by Kanute Rarey and Gwen Napier								
9:00	Bookstore, auction opening, ECO SIG field trip to Smith-Gilbert Gardens									
9:00-10:30	Presentation (ECO, HSA, YES): Callaloo: How Folktales Influence and Reflect Culture by Bobby Norfolk	The Power of Music in Storytelling by Rev. Robert Jones		Workshop (HSA): Stories as Catalysts: Community Healing through Oral Storytelling by Jim Brulé and Laura Simms	Workshop (YES): I See... I Wonder... Creating Powerful Stories Through Project Zero's Deeper Thinking Toolbox by Karla Huntsman and Wendy Folsom		Workshop (HSA): Shortening the road - storytelling and conflict resolution. by Liz Weir [INTERNATIONAL, STREAMED]	Workshop (SIO): How To Harness The 7 Powers of Story Intelligence by Richard Stone	Workshop (SIO): Performing For And Preserving The Voices Of Seniors by Carol Gebert	Coaching (YES): Make Your Story Do What It Do! by Brenda Griffin
10:30-10:45 Break	ECO SIG field trip returns from Smith-Gilbert Gardens									
10:45-12:15	KSU Student Teller Showcase emceed by Charles Parrott									
12:15-1:15 Lunch	Virtual Ticket Zoom Gathering by Heather Forest					PRO SIG and YES SIG Lunches (Dining Hall)				
1:15-2:45	Panel (YES): Basket Weaving or Storytelling? A College Degree by Nancy Donoval, Charles Parrott, Melissa Fees, moderated by Delanna Reed		Workshop (PRO): Professional Skills Make Skilled Professionals by Adam Booth	Workshop (YES): Boo-Tickle Tales: Sharing Not-So-Scary Stories by Lyn Ford and Sherry Norfolk	Presentation (HSA, YES): Between Worlds: Addressing Racism Through Story by Bowen Lyam Lee, Karin Amano, Alton Takiyama-Chung, Joel Ying, Lillian Nantucket Shoji, Grace 'Megumi' Fleming	Presentation (SIO): AI and Storytelling: New Tools and New Horizons by Tama Lunceford		Workshop (ECO, YES): STEAM-Telling - Using Storytelling to Teach Math and Science by Barry Stewart Mann	Workshop (HSA): What's Your Dragon?: Sharing Personal Challenges through Fantasy & Sci Fi by Emily Stamets	Coaching by Milbree Burch
2:45-3:00 Break										
3:00-4:30	Panel (PRO, YES): Telling "the Other's" Story - How do we share stories from someone else's tradition, history, or creative effort? Or should we...? by Elizabeth Ellis, Nancy Pheasant, Chetter Galloway, moderated by Anne Wheeler	Presentation (YES): The Many Faces of Yōkai: Japanese Ogres, Spirits, and Grotesqueries by Anne Shimojima, Karin Amano, Lillian Nantucket Shoji, Linda Yemoto, Grace 'Megumi' Fleming	Workshop: Poetic Practice For Storytellers by Jo Radner	Workshop: Come With An Anecdote - Leave With A Story by Dorothy Cleveland and Barbara Schutzgruber		Workshop: The Blended Story: Its Joys and Challenges by Jennifer Munro	Panel (YES): Stealth Storytelling: How to Teach with Story by Kevin Cordi, Janice DelNegro, Travis Woven, moderated by Nancy Donoval [STREAMED]	Workshop (YES): Drawing To Know Your Story by Margaret Meyers	Presentation (PRO): A Model for Incorporating Storytelling as Healing into Festival Programming by Amanda Lawrence and Sheila Corbin	
4:30	Bookstore and auction closing									
4:30-4:45 Break										
4:45-5:30	Singing For His Supper by Ed Stivener									
5:30-6:30 Dinner	Diamond Donors Dinner with NSN Board (Dining Hall)									
6:30-6:45 Break										

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3:30	Auction final closing									
3:30-5:00	Presentation: We are Women. Hear us Tell. by Carmen Agra Deedy, Karin Amano, Lona Bartlett, Lyn Ford, Bonnie Gardner, Jennifer Munro, and Jessica Robinson	Workshop (PRO): All The Technical Things You Didn't Think Of by Cooper Braun		Workshop (HSA, PRO): Gathering Bravely: Creating and Holding a Brave Space by Sarah Beth Nelson	Workshop (HSA, YES): Tales of Peace and Kindness: A Hands-on Workshop by Margaret Read MacDonald	Workshop (ECO, YES): SCIENCE: Tell It Like A Story by Fran Stallings	Workshop (SIO, YES): Technology & Storytelling or How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Embrace AI by Patti Smith	Workshop (YES): Planning A High-Quality School Or Community Residency by Katie Knutson	Workshop (YES): Asian Feast of Stories: Culture, Identity, and Community Through Food by Alton Takiyama-Chung, Joel Ying, Bowen Lyam Lee, Linda Yemoto	
5:00-5:30	Bookstore final closing; pickup of unsold bookstore items and winning auction items									
5:30-6:30 Dinner	ECO SIG Dinner (Dining Hall)									
6:30-6:45 Break										
6:45-8:45	ORACLE Awards & Concert									
8:45-9:00 Break										
9:00-10:00	Fringe: A Taste of Kuumba Stew by Kuumba Collective emceed by Barry Stewart Mann			Fringe: Calamity Jane Comes Home Again by Jane Ogburn Dorfman emceed by Rishi Nixon	Fringe: Feedback Loops by Judith Black emceed by Claire Nolan					
10:05-11:00				Swap by Denise Mount	Swap by Delanna Reed					
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Sunday, July 20

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6:30-8:50 Breakfast										
7:30-8:00	Outdoor Morning Activity: Laughter Yoga For Health And Happiness by Josie Bailey					Outdoor Morning Activity (YES): Themed Morning Yoga Sunrise Stretch by Elizabeth Rose				
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8:20-8:50		Morning Activity: Wake Up and Sing! by Jen and Nat Whitman								
9:00-10:30	Presentation (YES): The Strange Case of Lady Liberty - an Historical Investigation by Barry Stewart Mann and Deborah Strahorn		Workshop: Collective Telling: The Power of Audience Participation by Heather Forest	Workshop (SIO): Storytelling As Restorative Community-Based Approaches To Intergenerational Healing by Meghna Bhat		Workshop (PRO, YES): Creating A Strong Stage Presence Live And Online by Cora Newcomb	Workshop (SIO, YES): Finding the Funny: Adding Humor to Wow Your Audience by Steve Daut		Workshop (SIO): Storycoaching: How to help others become great tellers, and learn more yourself by Laura Packer	Workshop (HSA): THE MASTERSTORY JOURNEY The Seven Story-Paths to Your Best Life by Richard Stone
10:30-10:45 Break										
10:45-11:45		Sacred Tellers Swap by Dot Cleveland								
11:45-12:15	Outdoor Sunbrella Closing Circle									

