

THE WRITERS' UNION OF CANADA
NATIONAL PUBLIC READINGS NORTHERN PROGRAM

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Deadline for Applications: August 30, 2019

Use this form to apply for readings taking place between **April 1, 2019**, and **March 31, 2020**.

This form provides funding for reading tours taking place in northern communities within Canada:

- Within Ontario and Quebec, communities at or north of the 51st parallel
- Within Labrador, all communities
- Within the rest of Canada, communities at or north of the 54th parallel

Within this program, a tour consists of three full (solo) readings or six half (joint) readings, or any combination equivalent to three full readings, within a reasonable timeframe. If you are applying from a particularly remote community and find these requirements prohibitive, please explain below and we will do our best to accommodate you.

Please note: The Union will not refund reading fees, travel expenses, or food costs to host organizations or venues. TWUC reimburses its members directly after the event has taken place. This program cannot fund readings for which honoraria and travel costs are funded by another Canada Council for the Arts program.

New in 2018: Equity Initiative Funding has been designated to waive administrative fees for readings serving certain communities.

READING TOUR DETAILS

Today's date: _____

Requested author: _____

Requested number of readings: Full (solo) readings: _____ Half (joint) readings: _____

Planned tour dates: _____

Venues and estimated attendance (list all venues with full addresses followed by estimated attendance number for each venue):

The Union strongly encourages hosts to hold readings in barrier-free venues and to consider any additional presenter or audience access needs (e.g., ASL interpretation, large print materials). We also encourage you to make accessibility information available to your audience (e.g., on your website and promotional materials).

Are venues for these readings barrier-free, including barrier-free washrooms? Yes No

Anticipated total cost for author travel: \$ _____

If you are applying from a particularly remote community and find the requirements of a full tour prohibitive, please explain:

Equity Initiative Funding

In order to assess if you qualify for Equity Initiative Funding, please check all that apply:

One or more readings on this tour take place in a remote community*: Yes No

* A community is remote if it is a distance from urban areas, travel is required to access basic amenities, and it lacks transportation links that are typical in more populated areas.

Equity Initiative Funding (continued)

The requested author is (please check all that apply):

- Black, Indigenous, or racialized
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Queer, Non-binary, Intersex, or Two-Spirit*
- Living with a disability**

*The author publicly self-identifies using one of these terms or a related term from the LGBTQI2S lexicon.

**The author publicly self-identifies as living with a disability.

One or more venues largely serves and/or events are specifically planned to host community members* who are:

- Black, Indigenous, or racialized
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Queer, Non-binary, Intersex, or Two-Spirit
- Living with a disability

* If you are unsure if your venue qualifies, consider the following guiding questions: Does your venue largely serve or program for these populations? Are you taking into consideration the specific access needs of these populations? Are you prioritizing outreach to these groups for your event?

TWUC asks hosts to honour the spirit of our equity initiatives in responding to these questions. If you are unsure how to answer, please contact us before submitting your application.

FUNDING ELIGIBILITY

Please check:

- This reading's travel and honoraria is not funded by another Canada Council for the Arts program.
- This reading is advertised to the public and is not part of a conference, workshop, roundtable discussion, fundraising event, book prize, or book launch.

Any form of recording, taping, or broadcasting of the reading without prior written approval from the author is strictly prohibited.

ORGANIZER INFORMATION

Host organization: _____

Full address: _____

Contact person: _____ **Phone:** _____ **Email:** _____

Please continue sending me information about the National Public Readings Program, including funding availability:

- Yes No

SUBMIT APPLICATION

- I have identified above that this event qualifies for Equity Initiative Funding. The administrative fee is waived.
- I am sending payment by cheque for the administrative fee of \$79.10 (\$70 + HST) with my completed application. Please note: An application will only be accepted upon receiving both payment and a completed application form. Payment will not be processed unless application is approved.

Send completed application forms to The Writers' Union of Canada

By mail: 600-460 Richmond St W, Toronto, ON M5V 1Y1

By fax: 416.504.9090

By email: info@writersunion.ca

Please note: If enclosing payment for the administrative fee, please submit your application by mail. Readings that qualify for Equity Initiative Funding and do not owe an administrative fee may submit applications by mail, fax, or email.

Direct any questions to the Office Administrator at info@writersunion.ca or 416.703.8982 x 224.