



NATIONAL PUBLIC READINGS NORTHERN PROGRAM

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ELIGIBILITY

A limited amount of funding has been allocated for this program. Funding for this program is provided on a first-come, first-served basis. TWUC's funding period runs from April 1 to March 31. Applications must be received at least 4 weeks in advance of the reading. The application period for this program will close **August 31, 2017**. Applications must be received prior to this date.

This program is open to all members of The Writers' Union of Canada, but the Union cannot solicit readings on behalf of members under this program. The host organization must contact and arrange all reading dates with an author *before* applying for funding.

To be eligible for funding through this program, a host organization must organize an author tour within their Northern community for three full readings or six half readings. These readings must take place within a reasonable timeframe. A Northern community is defined by the Canada Council for the Arts as being located above the 54th line of parallel, and in Labrador.

The tour must be held in a publicly accessible venue (a library, book store, festival location, etc.) located in a Northern community and must be advertised to the general public. This program cannot fund conferences, workshops, roundtable discussions, fundraising events, or book prizes.

The program also cannot fund readings for which the writers have not yet been chosen at the time of the request, and readings for which honoraria and travel costs are funded by another Canada Council program or through a national organization funded by the Canada Council.

The following are also ineligible:

- Authors who sit on a board or executive committee of an organization that has applied for funding, for the period during which the host organization has applied for and received funding
- Authors who are coordinators, directors or volunteers with the host organization that is applying, and
- Authors who are the editors and professors responsible for the proposed readings.

The Union will pay the author a \$250 honorarium per full (solo) reading or a \$125 honorarium per half (joint) reading. There is a maximum of \$600 (full)/\$300 (half) available for transportation costs per reading available for this program, for a total payment of a \$750 honorarium and up to \$1800 in transportation costs. The host organization is responsible for the author's accommodations and meals.

All publicity materials must acknowledge the financial assistance of The Canada Council through The Writers' Union of Canada. Please send the Union copies of all advertising when they become available.

Payment of an administrative fee of \$79.10 (\$70 + HST) per application must be made at time of application. An application will only be accepted upon receiving both payment and a completed application form. Once funding for a reading has been confirmed, payment will be processed and the host organization and requested author will receive (by mail) a Booking Confirmation Form. Payment will only be processed if an application has been approved. Administrative fees are non-refundable. The Union requests that copies of advertisements, posters, or publicity plans be sent upon receiving the Booking Confirmation Form.

NO FUNDING IS CONFIRMED UNTIL THE HOST HAS RECEIVED A BOOKING CONFIRMATION FORM FROM THE UNION. If the host does not receive the form in a reasonable amount of time, it is the host's responsibility to contact the tour coordinator; no funding is ever guaranteed over the phone or by payment of the administrative fee with application.



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