

JLF COLORADO 2023

In January 2023, the 16th edition of the Jaipur Literature Festival took place in the Pink City of Jaipur, Rajasthan. It was a resounding success, highlighting the power of words and ideas through a remarkable lineup of speakers. The Festival’s inspiring atmosphere reached our audience, both digitally and in-person.

The exhilarating energy of the Jaipur Festival makes its grand return to Boulder this year with the 9th edition of JLF Colorado being celebrated at Boulder Public Library from September 21st-23rd, 2023.

In 2020 and 2021, Teamwork Arts, the producer of the Jaipur Literature Festival, embraced the digital realm by hosting international editions of JLF online. These editions seamlessly merged the rich multilingual literary traditions of South Asia with the unique essence of the host regions. By fostering dialogue and the exchange of ideas, the virtual version of JLF kept the spirit of creative conversations alive. Writers, thinkers, poets, artists, and filmmakers engaged in captivating discussions.

In 2022, we successfully held an on-ground edition of JLF Colorado, following two successful virtual editions, in collaboration with the Boulder Public Library, the City of Boulder, and the Consulate General of India, Houston.

In 2023, we celebrate the beauty of the Rockies and prairies, as well as the vibrant energy, excitement, and intellect of Boulder. At JLF Colorado 2023, experience our hallmark camaraderie, a caravan of ideas, and the enchanting flow of conversations. Get ready for a truly unparalleled festival!

September 21-23, 2023
Boulder Public Library

Skyscapes
2nd floor, South Entrance

Canyon Theater
1st floor, North Entrance

Steps
1st floor, South Entrance

Brook
Ground floor, South Entrance

Festival Schedule

Thursday, September 21

	CANYON THEATER
6:00PM - 9:00PM	Music Performance <i>Violin Virtuoso Ambi Subramaniam In Concert</i> <i>Presented by Colorado Fine Arts Association</i>

Friday, September 22

	SKYSCAPES
11:00AM - 11:45AM	Morning Music <i>The Anirudh Varma Collective Classical Quartet</i> <i>Presented by Colorado Fine Arts Association</i>
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	1. Inaugural Address <i>Address by William Dalrymple, Sanjoy K. Roy, David Farnan (Director of Library & Arts, Boulder Public Library) and Aaron Brockett (the Honorable Mayor of the City of Boulder)</i>
12:45 PM- 1:45 PM	2. Forgotten Masters: Indian Painting for the East India Company <i>William Dalrymple introduced by Katie Hickman</i> <i>Presented By Vedere Institute</i>
2:00PM - 3:00 PM	3. A Writer on the Cusp of Time <i>Vauhini Vara in conversation with Maeve Conran</i>
3:15PM - 4:15 PM	4. Chronicles of War <i>Anjan Sundaram in conversation with Merve Emre</i>
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM	5. Culture: The Story of Us, From Cave Art to K-Pop <i>Martin Puchner in conversation with Merve Emre</i>
	BROOK
3:15PM - 5:30PM	People First, Poetry Second <i>Jona Fine, Maggie Saunders and Marcus If</i>

Saturday, September 23

SKYSCAPES

9:00 AM -
9:45 AM

Morning Music Roopa Mahadevan

*Presented by
Colorado Fine Arts Association*

10:00 AM -
11:00 AM

6. Words in Blue

*Amitava Kumar in conversation
with Maeve Conran*

11:15 AM -
12:15 PM

10. Interrogating Patriarchy

*Angela Saini and Ruchira Gupta in
conversation with Patricia Limerick*

12:30 PM -
1:30 PM

14. Fiction and the Spaces in Between

*Amitava Kumar, Andrew Altschul and
Erika T. Wurth in conversation with
Arsen Kashkashian*

1:45 PM -
2:45 PM

18. Legacy of Violence: A History of the British Empire

*Caroline Elkins in conversation with
William Dalrymple*

3:00 PM -
4:00 PM

22. The Lives and Afterlives of Tibetan Masters

*Andrew Quintman and Holly Gayley in
conversation
*Presented By Vedere Institute**

4:15 PM -
5:15 PM

26. Split Wide Open: The Polarization of America

*David W. McIvor, Ruchira Gupta,
Chika Unigwe, Pedro Silva and
Pariksith Singh in conversation*

5:30 PM -
6:30 PM

30. Forbidden Pages: Banned, Burned and Censored

*David Farnan, Arsen Kashkashian,
Martin Puchner and Ruchira Gupta
in conversation with Sanjoy K. Roy*

CANYON THEATER

7. We Measure the Earth with Our Bodies

*Tsering Yangzom Lama and
Dawa Lokyitsang in conversation
with Natalie Avalos
*Supported by the
Tibet Himalaya Initiative, CU Boulder**

11. The Buddha's Footprint: An Environmental History of Asia

*Johan Elverskog in conversation with
William Dalrymple*

15. The Middle Daughter

*Chika Unigwe in conversation with
Nina McConigley*

19. Ancient Mysteries and Modern Revolutionaries

*Pariksith Singh in conversation with
Sanjoy K. Roy*

23. Consciously Healthy: Body, Mind and Spirit

*Maria Scunziano-Singh in
conversation with Waylon Lewis*

27. Brave Hearted: The Dramatic Story of Women of the American West

*Katie Hickman in conversation with
Patricia Limerick*

STEPS

8. Taking a Moment to Smell the Flowers

*A hands-on, exploratory workshop
with Ahja Fox*

12. The Writer and the World

*a reading and panel on publishing and the
aftermath
Crisosto Apache, Aerik Francis, Jessica
Lawson, Hillary Leftwich and Jason
Masino in conversation with Ahja Fox*

16. Boulder Rotary Peacebuilding Session I: Pedagogy of a Peacebuilder

*Pedro Silva introduced by
Randall Butler*

20. Boulder Rotary Peacebuilding Session II: Women Empower Peace Through Entrepreneurship

*Fatou Doumbia in conversation with
Randall Butler*

24. Boulder Rotary Peacebuilding Session III: Peace Through Education

*Micklina Kenyi in conversation with
Randall Butler*

28. Boulder Rotary Peacebuilding Session IV: Re-envisioning Cash Crop Farming for Economic Development: The Case for Tea

*MD Kinoti in conversation with
Randall Butler*

BROOK

9. Colorado Author Readings

*Kika Dorsey, Brook Eddy,
Marcia Douglas and Rajiv Mohabir*

13. TThe Dance of Empathy

*Performed and Facilitated
by Deepali Lindblom
*Children, Youth, and Families**

17. Medhini: Hymns of the Ancient Earth

*Abhishek Singh in conversation with
Sanjoy K Roy
*Presented By Vedere Institute**

21. Colorado Author Readings

*Joe Ponce, Manuel Aragon,
Franklin Cruz, Meca'Ayo
(Tameca L. Coleman) and Ahja Fox
*Presented in Partnership with
The Word For Diversity**

25. Writing Workshop with Jovan Mays