
NOTTINGHAM POETRY FESTIVAL

Community Events FAQ

2025



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Dates

Festival runs 13th - 22nd June 2025

Launch Party - Thursday 12th June 2025

Decade Celebrations - November 2025

Marking 10 years since the original festival.

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Nottingham Poetry Festival has **not** been awarded funding from the Arts Council for our 2025 Summer Festival.

This has led to a scaling back on our primary work including cancelling wrap around projects and staff working on a largely voluntary basis.

But we have got wonderful support from It's In Nottingham and Castle Rock Brewery which means that a version of the festival will go ahead.

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Community Events are what we call the festival programming that comes from the creatives of Nottingham.

These are registered with the festival and will appear on all listings.

The events are produced and financed by the community and all funds go back to the creators.

Anything goes if it is poetry related. Solo Shows, Open Mics, Discussions, Workshops, Films etc.

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As part of our sponsorship from It's In Nottingham, we have a small amount of bursaries that we can offer to community events for venue hire.

Venues must be within the city. See It's In Nottingham map for guidance (venues/partners - are found in the purple highlighted area).

The funds will be paid directly to the venue by the festival team after the events have taken place.

After you submit your event we will notify you to let you know how to apply for this.



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To register go to Nottingham Poetry Festival website and click on the submissions tab.

- Select Submit an Event
- Fill in the Form
- The deadline to Submit is - 5pm Friday 2nd of May

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Planning your event - Ask Yourself

What is the event going to be?

What location are you basing it at?

Who is performing/Appearing?

What audience is it for?

What graphics can you provide for it?

How are you making it accessible?

What is unique about your event?

How will your audience travel to you?

What (if anything) are you charging for it?

How are you taking/making money?

What safeguarding needs to be in place?

What is your max./Optimistic & Likely audience size?

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Nottingham Poetry Festival is a great chance to collaborate - are there folks to work with and make your job easier?

Core festival advertising will promote everything but you are responsible for your own event.

All poetry festival events must agree to our code of conduct but are otherwise automatically included in the festival - you're not waiting for a 'yes' from us.

Do you have plans for photography/streaming? How are you getting consent for that?

There will be clashes so be aware of that and remember everyone is working in good faith!

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We can't wait to see what you are going to programme

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[Submit Here](#)