

VI LITERARY FESTIVAL & BOOK FAIR

“Journeys and Pathways”

Pre-Literary Festival Activities

Wednesday, April 20, 2016

UVI GREAT HALL

Program

9 a.m. - 12 noon

Mistress of Ceremonies.....	Editor Alscess Lewis-Brown Valrica Bryson, Director Division of Cultural Education VIDE
Opening Performance.....	Cody Cook, UVI Student,
Welcome	Simon Jones-Hendrickson, Chair V.I. Lit Fest
Opening Remarks.....	Colleen Williams, District Superintendent of Schools
Brief Remarks.....	Dr. Emily Allen-Williams Dean, CLASS
Brief Remarks.....	Dr. Camille McKayle, Provost
Introduction of Young Author.....	Dr. Gillian Royes, Author
Young Author.....	Nina Randal, Antilles
Introduction of Guest Speaker.....	Alscess Lewis-Brown, Editor, The Caribbean Writer
Speaker.....	Mr. Tobias Buckell, New York Times Best Selling Author
Questions & Answers.....	Audience

- ✦ **Pre-VI Lit Fest: Creative Interpretations of Works from TCW by Elementary and Secondary Schools—UVI Great Hall**
Coordinator: Valrica Bryson, Director of the Division of Cultural Education (VIDE)
- ✦ **Student Writers' Competition**
Facilitator: Dr. Sharon Charles, Writer, School Administrator (VIDE)
- ✦ **Dramatization of Works from *The Caribbean Writer***
Facilitator: Sayeeda Carter, English Teacher/Dramatist (SCEC)
- ✦ **Interpretation of Works from *The Caribbean Writer***
Facilitator: Danica David, Artist and Art Instructor (SCEC)
- ✦ **Open Mic Poetry and Interpretative Performances**
Facilitators: Dinah Brown, English Teacher/(SCHS)
Danica David, Art Teacher (SCEC) / UVI Instructor
Niarus Benjamin, Art Teacher (SCHS) / UVI Instructor
Shabazz, Nurse (SCHS)

LUNCH TIME SPEAKER

1:00 p.m.-- 2:00 p.m.

**Writing and Publishing as a Young Person:
Genre and Style, a Place to Begin**
(UVI Great Hall)

Presenter: Mario Picayo, Publisher, Campanita Books
Facilitator: Dr. Gillian Royes, Author

Judges:

Author Velma Pollard, Professor Valerie Combie,
Tobias Buckell, Author



This symbol indicates that the presentation is a workshop.

EVENING

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

A Movie and Metaphors --- **Venue: Christiansted Town**
on the lawn of the Christiansted Fort
Pack a snack and come!

- O Screening of *The Sweetest Mango* and *Hound's Soup*
Facilitator: Kris Massicot, Owner IB Designs
Movie provided by Caribbean Film Academy

- O Student Visual Art Literary Themes Competition
Coordinator: Lucien Downes, Artist and Curator at
Top Hat Gallery



VI Literary Festival and Book Fair
April 21 to 23, 2016
“Journeys and Pathways”

Thursday, April 21

8 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Registration—UVI Albert A. Sheen Campus Great Hall

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

PLENARY

30 Years of *The Caribbean Writer*:

**The Trajectory of TCW: Thirty Years TCW Showcase Past Winners
Contributors (UVI Great Hall)**

Past contributors read from their work. Board Member Reflections:
Edgar Lake, Vincent Cooper, David Edgecombe, Patricia Harkins-
Pierre, Roberta Knowles, Alwin Bully

Facilitator: Alscess Lewis-Brown, Editor, *The Caribbean Writer*

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Children’s Corner

(Under the Big Tent)

Presenters: Janice “Aunty Janice” Tutein,
Folklorist/ Storyteller
Wayne “Bully” Petersen, Author/Storyteller/
Musician

Remake of Classical Bed-Time Stories by students
of the University Bound (UB) Program

Facilitator: Michelle Albany-Crispin, Assistant
Director, UVI

10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

An Interactive Project Exploring the Modern
Caribbean Experience Through Our Own Story-
telling (Under the Big Tent)
Facilitator: Lauren Bacchus

Department of Planning and Natural Resources: Virgin Islands Public Library--- Book Mobile, Campus Parking Lot

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Approaches to Plot Construction and Characterization in Caribbean Fiction** (EVC 308)



Presenter: Earl Lovelace, Author and Professor
Facilitator: Dr. Emily Williams,
Dean of CLASS-- UVI

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. **The Challenges of Adapting Caribbean Literature to Film**
(EVC 408)

Panellists: Howard Allen, Film Director; Asha Lovelace, Film Director/ Producer; Edward La Borde, Film Director and Ida Does, Film Director
Facilitator: Mitzi Allen, Film Producer, HAMA Productions

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **Diversity in Children's Publishing: Realities, Expectations and Vision** (UVI Great Hall)

Presenter: Yona Deshommes
Facilitator: Alscess Lewis-Brown

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **Interpreting and Translating Chinese without Knowing Chinese** (REC 139)

Presenter: David Gould
Facilitator: TBA

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **Global economy, U.S. Trade and Implications for the VI Caribbean** (EVC 302)

Presenter: Rosalind Kilkenny McLymont
Facilitator: Cardinal Mills

LUNCH BREAK

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **Writing and Revising Your Work---Workshop**



(EVC 308) Presenter: Velma Pollard, Author
Facilitator: Valerie Combie, UVI Professor

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Three Perspectives: Women in Revolution**
(EVC 408)

“Empowerment of Women in the Grenada

Revolution, 1979-1983"—Nicole Phillip-Dowe; A Reflection on the Role of Women in Tiphonie Yanique's: *Land of Love and Drowning*— Ellen Foster Firebun St. Croix — Elizabeth Rezende
Facilitator: Dr. Chenzira Davis-Kahina,
UVI Professor

2:35 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Creating Documentary Films

(UVI Great Hall)

Screening and Discussion of *Poetry is an Island*

Presenter: Ida Does, Film Director

Facilitator: David Edgecombe

6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Meet & Greet Reception (Government House)

Coordinators: Maria Friday and Ann-Merrie Hendrickson

Readings from authors and poets

Dance interpretations by Caribbean Dance Company

Music by UVI's Jazz Ensemble

Screening of the movie, *Timeless*

Master of Ceremony: Dr. Simon Jones Hendrickson

Friday, April 22

8:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

Registration - UVI A. Sheen Campus Great Hall

8:45 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

PLENARY SESSION

Master of Ceremony: Dr. Simon Jones-Hendrickson

SPEAKERS

Commissioner of Education Sharon McCollum

Tourism Commissioner Beverly Nicholson-Doty

Dean of CLASS Emily A. Williams

UVI President Dr. David Hall

Governor of the Virgin Islands Kenneth E. Mapp

9:35 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Keynote Conversation with

Sir Salman Rushdie

(UVI Great Hall)

Discussants: Dr. Hugo Ríos-Cordero, Miami University, Ohio; Dr. Vincent Cooper, UVI

Introduction of Sir Salman Rushdie: Alscess
Lewis-Brown

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

- 10:35 a.m. - 12:35 p.m. **Fiction and Memoir Writing (Part I)**
(UVI Great Hall)
✍ Presenter: Dr. Elizabeth Nunez, Author, Professor
Facilitator: Dr. Rosalyn
Rossignol, Humanities Chair, UVI
- 10:35 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **The Dynamics of Writing from Within and
Outside the Caribbean: Conversation with Earl
Lovell and Jamaica Kincaid** (NWW 102)
Panellists: Earl Lovell, Author and
Jamaica Kincaid, Author
Facilitator: Velma Pollard, Author
- 10:35 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **The Spoken Word** (Poetry
Workshop) (Q100)
✍ Presenter: Lasana M. Sekou, Poet/ Author/ Publisher
Facilitator: Chenzira Davis-Kahina
- 10:35 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **The Danish West Indies as a topic in Danish
Literature: From Maria Helleberg to Han
Christian Andersen vs. Pre/Post Fireburn
Perspectives in the Literature and the Narratives
of the Virgin Islands** (EVC 716)
Panellists: Author Maria Helleberg; Lise Bostrup,
Danish Scholar
- 10:35 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **The Middle East and the West: Conflicting
Currents in Literature** (EVC 401)
Panellists: Ambassador Ebrahim Rasool,
Georgetown University Scholar in Residence and Dr.
Hugo Ríos-Cordero, Miami University, Oxford Ohio
Facilitator: Dr. Woody Carter, Author
- 10:35 a.m. -12:00 p.m. **Children's Corner**
(Under the Big Tent)
Presenters: Janice "Aunty Janice"
Tutein, Folklorist/Storyteller;
Wayne "Bully" Petersen, Author/
Storyteller/Musician;

Zenzi Hodge, Author; Charlene Pemberton, Author;
Shanda Ramnarine, Author
Remake of Classical Bed-time Stories - University
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Facilitator: Michelle Albany Crispin, Assistant
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Caribbean Experience Through Our Own Story-
telling (Under the Big Tent)
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**Department of Planning and Natural Resources: Virgin Islands Public
Library---** Book Mobile, Campus Parking Lot

LUNCH BREAK

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

1:05 p.m. - 2:05 p.m. **Short Story Competition: Readings from college-
level authors** (UVI Library)
Facilitator: Dr. Patricia Harkins-Pierre/ Dr. Emily
Foster

1:05 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **The Writer's Challenge of Using a Common
History and Heritage to Shape a Vision for the
Future of Caribbean Society** (NWW 102 & 103)
Panellists: Sir Keithlyn B. Smith, Author; Mario
Moorhead, Author/ Talk Show Host and George
Tyson, Historian
Facilitator: Dr. Dion Phillip, Professor, UVI

1:05 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **Copyright and Intellectual Property Rights**
(UVI Great Hall)
Presenter: Carol A. Newman, Jamaica Office of
Copyright
Facilitator: Judith Rogers, Director of Libraries

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. **Fiction and Memoir Writing Workshop**
(Continued--Part II)
(EVC 207)
Presenter: Dr. Elizabeth Nunez, Author
Facilitator: Dr. Rosalyn Rossignol

EVENING PROGRAM

5 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Book Bacchanal (Coordinator: Janis Valmond, Professor, UVI) Sponsor: Caribbean Museum Center for the Arts (CMCA)

Welcome: TBA

Launch - *Even in Paradise* by Dr. Elizabeth Nunez

Reading: *Two Years Eight Months and Twenty-Eight Nights* by Sir Salman Rushdie

Open Mic Poetry

Art Exhibit & Talk: Invisible Heritage: Identity, Memory and Our Town

Panellists: Artist LaVaughn Belle; Artist Gerville Larsen; Historian George Tyson; Community Activist Frandelle Gerard; Curator and facilitator: Monica Marin

Readings and Insights on Compelling Themes from Dr. Gloria Joseph, Dr. Rosalyn Rossignol, and Dr. Frank Mills

Facilitator: Dr. Patricia Harkins-Pierre

Local Vendors, Book Sales,

Music by Stanley and the Ten Sleepless Nights

Vendor Coordinator: Kye Martin, Retired Librarian

Saturday, April 23

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Registration—UVI Albert A.

Sheen Campus Great Hall

8:00 a.m. - 9:25 a.m.

Bush Tea Morning Social:

Musical Performances: Extemporaneous singing, King Derby, Kevin Williams, Jr., Steelpan Prodigy; Pressure Busspipe and Ronnie Benjamin
Master of Ceremonies: Dr. Frank Mills

PLENARY

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

So You Want to Publish Your

Work (Digital and Print)?




(UVI Great Hall) Panellists:

Publisher, Carol Mitchell, Caribbean Reads,

Publisher; Lasana M. Sekou, House of Nehesi

(HNP); Yona Deshommes, Simon and Schuster
Facilitator: Dr. Simon Jones- Hendrickson, Chair,
VI Lit Fest

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

- 10:35 a.m. - 12 p.m.  **The Moving Narrative: Using Cell Phones to Create Movies** (UVI Great Hall)
Presenters: Film Directors Ed La Borde and Ida Does
Facilitator: David Edgecombe,
Professor and Playwright in
Residence at UVI
- 10:35 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  **Science Fiction** (EVC 408)
Speculative Fiction: A Futuristic Caribbean
Presenter: Tobias S. Buckell, *New York Times* Bestselling Author
Facilitator: Dr. Patricia Harkins-
Pierre, Professor, UVI
- 10:35 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  **Using Magical Realism as a Writing Strategy** (EVC 401)
Presenter: Sir Salman Rushdie, Author
Facilitator: Alscess Lewis-Brown, Editor,
The Caribbean Writer
- 10:35 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Linguistics: Myths, Metaphors, and Idioms and the Challenges of Translations** (EVC 716)
Panellists: Korah Belgrave, Professor, UWI;
Ian Robertson, Professor, UWI;
Lise Bostrup, Danish Scholar
Facilitator: Dr. Vincent Cooper, UVI
Professor
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1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Playwriting in a Contemporary Caribbean
Setting** (UVI Great Hall)
Presenters: David Edgcombe, Playwright;
Alwin Bully, Theatre and Arts
Facilitator: Sayeeda Carter

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **Film a Vehicle for Imagery: Emigration and
Parental Separation in the Caribbean Context**
(EVC 401)
Panellists: Romola Lucas, Film Director,
Caribbean Film
Academy and Lisa Harewood, Film Producer
Facilitator: Asha Lovelace, Film Director

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **What's in a Biography?**
(EVC 408)
Presenter: Jamaica Kincaid, Author and Professor
Facilitator: Carrie Jo Coaplen, Professor UVI

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **The Collective Responsibility for Raising the
Caribbean Child as Portrayed in Caribbean
Literature** (EVC 505)
Panellists: Dr. Gentian Miller, University of
Guyana; Carol Ottley-Mitchell, Publisher;
Rosalind Kilkenny Mclymont, Author Facilitator:
Dr. Sarah Mahurt, Educational Consultant

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **Song Lyrics/Poetry as a Vehicle
for Social Change** (EVC 716)

Panellists: Vocalist and Performer **Pressure Busspipe**, Calypsonian **King Derby**, Musician and Band Leader **Ronnie Benjamin, Jr.**
Facilitator: Dimitri Copemann, Musician and Talk Show Host

EVENING PROGRAM

7:00 p.m.

Heaven, a play by David Edgecombe, James C. Savage
Theatre on the old Good Hope Campus

Announcement of Winners: Student Writing Competition

Facilitators: Valrica Bryson,
Coordinator Division of Cultural Education, VIDE;
Asha Coliani, Owner Blue Mutt

Announcement of Winners: Art Exhibit and Visual Art Literary Themes Competition -

Coordinator: Lucien Downes, Artist and Curator;
Niarus Benjamin Walker, Artist and Curator
Danica David, Artisit

THE AFTER-PARTY SUNDAY, April 24, 2016

6:00 a.m. – 7:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning After-Festival Hike Party

Facilitator: Director of Libraries Judith Rogers and Retired Librarian,
V.I. Pace Runner Wallace Williams

Be prepared to start at 6:00 a.m. sharp from the start/finish point at Arawak Bay...The Inn At Salt River (ABSR). Support and direction for the hike is generously provided by VI Pace Runners and Arawak Bay Inn. Please register online: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/litfesthike>

11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

A Humanities Conversation with *Timeless*, a film by Edward La Borde—EVC 401
Facilitated by Dean Emily A. Williams
Dean of College Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CLASS)

7:00 p.m.

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