

# WORDS ALOUD SPOKEN WORD & STORYTELLING FESTIVAL 2017



## SCHEDULE AND THUMBNAIL DESCRIPTIONS OF EVENTS

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### Thursday, November 2nd

#### Owen Sound Library 7:30 pm

- *Speaking of Home: Two Perspectives* Indigenous writer **Janet Rogers** and Argentinian-Canadian storyteller **Marta Singh** reflect on identity, belonging, autonomy, difference and commonality.
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### Friday, November 3rd

#### M'WIKwedong Native Cultural Resource Centre, Owen Sound, 5:00 pm

- Mohawk/Tuscarora poet, spoken word artist and radio host **Janet Rogers** chats about how her work contributes to her outlook, well-being and relationship with her community.

#### Durham Art Gallery 7:30 pm

- [MAIN STAGE] **Angeline Schellenberg** and **Kate Cayley**, two important emerging literary voices, and well-known spoken word artist **Brendan McLeod**, present thoughtful, invigorating and often humorous work on subjects as diverse as autism spectrum disorder, the cautionary tale, and living on the cognitive edge.
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### Saturday, November 4th

#### Durham Town Hall 9:00 am

- *Strictly Solo* [WORKSHOP] – **Aaron Bushkowsky** guides participants in the creation of memorable characters.

#### Durham Library 11:15 am

- “Wondertales” Children’s Storytelling with Argentinian-Canadian storyteller **Marta Singh**.

#### Durham Town Hall 1:00 pm

- [WORKSHOP] *Said the Albatross to the Ant* – **Jillian Christmas** will encourage participants to situate themselves in an unfamiliar perspective, asking you to stretch and shift what you think you know about personal story and public knowledge.

#### Durham Town Hall 4:30 pm

- Spoken Word with the award-winning **Peterborough Poetry Collective** and spoken word master **Brendan McLeod**.

#### Durham Art Gallery 7:30 pm

- [MAIN STAGE] **Janet Rogers**, **Bruce Meyer**, **Carolyn Smart**—three of Canada’s most respected poetry and spoken word practitioners dazzle with dynamic word play, breadth of literary expression, and arresting subject matter.
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### Sunday, November 5th

#### Durham Town Hall 9:00 am

- [WORKSHOP] *Hea(r)t Seeking* – **Angeline Schellenberg** works to de-mystify and reduce anxiety around the self-editing/revision process. Participants are asked to send one piece of writing in prior to festival weekend.

#### Durham Art Gallery 2:00 pm

- [MAIN STAGE] **Jillian Christmas**, **Sue Sinclair**, and **Aaron Bushkowsky** bring a potent mix of activist spoken word, lyrical wordplay, and a talent for drama and comedy to Words Aloud’s final event of the weekend.