

10^e Salon du livre du Grand Sudbury

5 au 8
mai 2022
À la Place des Arts



Welcome to a place of literary imaginings
and long-awaited gatherings!

The 10th Salon du livre du Grand Sudbury! At the all-new Place des Arts, May 5 to 8!

Salon du livre du Grand Sudbury is excited to announce that the 10th edition of our city's biannual French book fair and literary festival will be held May 5 to 8 at Place des Arts!

This will be the first large event to take place at the new Place des Arts building downtown at the corner of Elgin and Larch. For residents and visitors to our city, it will be an opportunity to experience and appreciate a beautiful new building which will now serve as a home for arts and culture in Sudbury!

It will also be a welcome return to reality after two years of virtual gatherings. In May 2020, the 9th edition of the Salon du livre had to transform into an entirely virtual event very quickly and accomplished that feat quite impressively. On the strength of that experience, this year's edition will ably include some virtual elements, but live onsite events will be the mainstay of the programming.

Emerging from hibernation, the springtime of imagination!

Imagination is at the heart of this year's theme statement: "Place à l'imaginaire!" Acknowledging two years of social distancing, the Salon's poster features two charming figures: a bear emerging from hibernation with a candle on its head (to read at night) and a newly sprouted little flower wearing ballerina slippers (to jump for springtime joy).

With Tomson Highway as honorary president!

The honorary president of this year's Salon du livre is **Tomson Highway**, the acclaimed Cree and Francophile author who has recently published fascinating memoirs entitled *Permanent Astonishment*, which will soon appear in French translation. Mr. Highway is also well known as a pianist and composer and with his musician friends, he will add a wonderful concert event in our festival's programming. Stay tuned for details!

With special guest authors!

There will be dozens of authors to discover at the 10th edition of the Salon du livre du Grand Sudbury. For the time being, we present these two special guests.

Edem Awumey, originally from Togo, nowadays from Canada, resided for a time in France, where he published novels that have enjoyed a wide international following in French and in translation, including *Les pieds sales* (finalist for the 2009 prix Goncourt) and *Rose déluge. Descent into Night*, the translation of his novel *Explication de la nuit*, won the Governor General's Award for literary translation. In January 2022, he published his novel *Noces de coton*, a story of peasant revolt, the Cotton Road and slavery past and present.

Chloé Laduchesse is a force of nature in Sudbury's literary scene, with her two books of poetry (one of which was a finalist for the GG's literary awards), her work as an editor with Sudbury's *Prise de parole* publishing house, her two years as the City of Greater Sudbury's Poet Laureate, her community radio show "Poésie Station" and *Expozine*, a wide-ranging zine festival that she founded. And now, she adds the title of novelist to her accomplishments with *L'incendiaire de Sudbury*, a noir yet sometimes humorous novel about a police investigation into mysterious disappearances.

More special guests and a wide roster of authors and artists included in this year's programming will soon be announced.

And an invigorating program of events!

Festival-goers will have opportunities to meet these authors and no less than sixty others in a wide variety of stimulating programming: evening performances, literary luncheons, literary teas, literary happy hours, talks, round tables, interviews, artistic events and more. As always, the Salon du livre also features a huge collection of books from many Canadian and international publishers and distributors to purchase on site.

Further details about this programming will be unveiled over the coming weeks at www.lesalondulivre.ca, in the Salon's [newsletter](#) and social media at facebook.com/salondulivredugrandsudbury and twitter.com/LeSalonduLivre

Save the date in your cultural calendar for the 10th edition of the Salon du livre du Grand Sudbury, May 5 to 8 at Place des Arts du Grand Sudbury!

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