

## lahore literary festival



#### FRIDAY, FEB. 22, #LLF2019 / ALHAMRA ARTS CENTER, MALL ROAD





HALL 1 HALL 2 HALL 3 HALL 4 HALL 5

3 - 4:30 p.m.

Opening Ceremony followed by

Keynote Address on the life and legacy of

by Zehra Nigah, with introduction by Nasreen Rehman

5 - 6 p.m.

Populism and the Future of Global Democracy

Historian Ayesha Jalal, author Christopher Merrill, political commentator Afshin Shahi and historian Eugene Rogan

Moderated by acclaimed-journalist and author **Ahmed Rashid** 

Securing Pakistan's Water Future

Water law and policy expert Erum Sattar and technocrat Shamsul Mulk

Moderated by Rina Saeed Khan

تین اردوادب اور شاعری کی بلند شخصت

Fahmida Riaz, Altaf Fatima and Khalida Hussain

Asghar Nadeem Syed, Masood Asher and Yasmeen Hameed Digital History: The Balochistan Archives

Digitizing our past to preserve our heritage

Sindh's **Ravinder L. Jha** and Balochistan's **Hafeez Jamali** 

Moderated by British Library Lead Curator for South Asian Collections **Nur Sobers-Khan**  Book Launches

My Pakistan: The Story of a Bishop

Alexander John Malik

Moderated by Nelofer Bakhtyar

Metro Lahore

A photographic journey along Lahore's Metro Bus

> Faizan Ahmad with Kate Vyborny

<sup>\*</sup>THIS PROGRAM IS TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE. FOR UPDATES, PLEASE VISIT LAHORELITFEST.COM

	HALL 1	HALL 2	HALL 3	HALL 4	HALL 5	HALL 6 (PUPPET THEATRE)
11 a.m 12:00 p.m.	On Equity and Happiness In partnership with UNDP Pakistan  Akhuwat's Amjad Saqib, Erum Sattar, economist Hafiz Pasha and Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa finance minister Taimur Jhagra  Moderated by UNDP's Neil Buhne	Book Discussion  From Kargil to the Coup: Events that Shook Pakistan  Owen Bennett-Jones in conversation with author and journalist Nasim Zehra	Exploring the political and personal in the art of Lahore-based artist Farida Batool, whose installation is on display at the Alhamra  Adeela Suleman, Naazish Ataullah, Ambereen Karamat and Farida Batool  Moderated by Rabeya Jalil	Memorial Stones of Tharparkar  An illustrated talk by Zulfiqar Ali Kalhoro on the art and cultural anthropology of the Memorial Stones in Pakistan's Sindh province followed by a conversation with noted travel writer Salman Rashid	A City in Fiction  Capturing Lahore's stories and streets, violence and revolts, cosmopolitanism and provincialism  Author and critic  Muneeza Shamsie, Roopa Farooki and Osama Siddique  Moderated by Claire Chambers	
12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	Book Launch  A Woman Like Her  Sindh poet and activist  Amar Sindhu, author of The Sensational Life and Death of Qandeel Baloch Sanam Maher, and Divisional Police Officer, Bahwalnagar Ammara Athar  Moderated by noted activist and artist Salima Hashmi	Channeling Nostalgia The Ottomans, the Great War and Turkey Today  Oxford University historian specialising in the Middle East Eugene Rogan with acclaimed-journalist and writer Ahmed Rashid	Book Launch  Bella Figura: How to Live, Love and Eat the Italian Way  British-Iranian journalist and author of Bella Figura Kamin Mohammadi, Pakistani-Italian entrepreneur Zahra Khan and author of Feast Anissa Helou  Moderated by Bloomsbury Publishing editor-in-chief Alexandra Pringle	The University of Punjab's Nabila Rehman and Ayesha Ali Moderated by Faiza Rana	In recognition of Hamza Shinwari Literature and Sufism in Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa Dr. Shahida Shah, Neelum Afridi, Kainat Khan, Akbar Hoti and Ibrar Ghar Moderated by Shahbaz Khan	
1:15 - 2:15			LUNCH			
2:15 - 3:15	Exploring the Political and Social Consciousness in Urdu Fiction and Poetry  Ameena Saiyid, Nasir Abbas Nayyar, Harris Khalique and Amar Sindhu  Moderated by Asif Farrukhi	War Writing  Syria: Unraveling of a Cultural Haven in the Middle East  Award-winning journalist Rania Abouzeid, photojournalist Lalage Snow and broadcast journalist Osama bin Javaid  Moderated by BBC Pakistan Correspondent Secunder Kermani	Book Launch  Mosaic of Food from the Islamic World  Aliya Naqvi in conversation with Anissa Helou, celebrated cookbook author of Feast	Book Launches  A Line in the River: Khartoum, City of Memory  Author Jamal Mahjoub in conversation with Amna Rizvan Ali  Beyond that Last Blue Mountain: My Silk Road  Khaled Ahmed in conversation with Harriet Sandys	Book Discussion  Iran: Legends of Emperors and Kings  Author Iftikhar Salahuddin with an introduction by Zehra Nigah	Performance (From 2 - 4 p.m)  A rendition of Punjabi folklore character Heer, penned by literary giant Waris Shah during the Eighteenth Century  Directed by Huma Safdar

	HALL 1	HALL 2	HALL 3	HALL 4	HALL 5	HALL 6 (PUPPET THEATRE)
3:30 - 4:30	Decoding Iran  Iran remains a culturally-disconnected land from Pakistan: a discussion of its vibrant youth and its expressions in activism, art, literature and other realms  Middle East commentator Afshin Shahi, Iranian artist and curator Vali Mahlouji, and British-Iranian author Kamin Mohammadi  Moderated by Shahrbanou Tadjbakhsh	Charactising Women in South Asian Media  Actor and filmmaker Atiqa Odho with actor Iqra Aziz  Moderated by Fifi Haroon	Oral History  My Lahore  A journey through the past and present of the cultural capital of Pakistan  Parveen Kennedy in conversation with Nayyar Ali Dada	Book Discussion  Empire of Enchantment  Jadoowallahs, Jugglers and Jinns; exploring indigenous forms of magic  Osama Siddique in conversation with author John Zubrzycki	Book Launch  Tell Her Everything  Zarrar Said in conversation with award-winning novelist Mirza Waheed	Performance (From 2 - 4 p.m)  A rendition of Punjabi folklore character Heer, penned by literary giant Waris Shah during the Eighteenth Century  Directed by Huma Safdar
4:45 - 5:45	TBD	A Quiet Line of Resistance: Pakistan's Theatre Movements  Celebrating our indigenous street and stage theatre  Social activist and theatre director Sheema Kermani, playwright Shahid Nadeem, Rafi Peer Theatre's Saadan Peerzada and theatre activist Huma Safdar  Moderated by Harris Khalique	The Padshanama: A Mughal masterpiece  The Royal Library's magnificent Padshahnama manuscript contains some of the most famous Mughal paintings ever created. Its curator explores these fascinating works of art depicting the life and court of Mughal Emperor Shah-Jahan  Royal Library Curator Emily Hannam with noted literary historian working primarily with Urdu materials Francesca Orsini	PAKISTAN'S NEW ENGLISH FICTION  Book Launches  Hijabistan  Author Sabyn Javeri in conversation with Maha Khan Phillips  Unmarriageable Pride and Prejudice in Pakistan  Syima Aslam in conversation with author Soniah Kamal	جدید شاعری کے افق Showcasing the talent from Urdu's contemporary poetry Abbas Tabish, Ahmad Ata and Adnan Baig Moderated by poet Shakeel Jazib	
6-7	Book Discussion  Back to the Future  Award-winning essayist and novelist Pankaj Mishra with Mohsin Hamid	Kashmir's Scars Ayesha Jalal, Anam Zakaria and Mirza Waheed  Moderated by Victoria Schofield	Book Launch  The Selected Works of Abdullah the Cossack  Author H. M. Naqvi and Christopher Merrill  Moderated by Nasreen Rehman	Music and the Mughal Twilight, from Aurangzeb to Bahadur Shah Zafar Historian of Mughal Indian music Katherine Schofield With musician Rakae Jamil	Book Launch  Bird Summons  Sudanese-British author Leila Aboulela, Muneeza Shamsie and Sadia Zulfiqar  Moderated by Afia Aslam	
7:30 - 9	The Triumphant Guitar In partnership with the Embassy of Spain in Islamabad Performance by Raul Viela, who has performed at Zarautz Guitar Festival in San Sebastian and Bilkent University in Ankara, among others		Film Screening  Some Lover to Some Beloved  100-minute documentary that will be preceded by an introduction from Director Umar Riaz			

#### SUNDAY, FEB. 24, #LLF2019 / ALHAMRA ARTS CENTER, MALL ROAD

	HALL 1	HALL 2	HALL 3	HALL 4	HALL 5
11 a.m 12:00 p.m.	Our Neighbors to the West  The triumphs and setbacks of democracy and diplomacy in the Middle East  Author of The Arabs: A History, Eugene Rogan, with Shahrbanou Tadjbakhsh  Moderated by Khaled Ahmed	Creating New Post-Colonial Narratives How have we challenged the Colonial narrative?  Jamal Mahjoub, Rajesh Parameswaran and Maha Khan Phillips  Moderated by Claire Chambers	Sarmad Khoosat in conversation with Asghar Nadeem Syed	Lonely Courage and the Extraordinary life of Noor Inayat Khan, Spy Princess In conversation with historian Rick Stroud	PAKISTAN'S NEW ENGLISH FICTION  Book Launches  You Can't Go Home Tonight  Maarya Rehman in conversation with author Sarvat Hasin  Pureland  Jahanzeb Aslam in conversation with author Zarrar Said
12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	TBD	Women Past Categorisation  Women authors cannot be defined by their gender alone  Leila Aboulela, Roopa Farooki, Alexandra Pringle and Maha Khan Phillips  Moderated by British Council, Country Director Rosemary Hilhorst	Book Launch  Paperjewels Postcards from the Raj  A 518 Vintage Postcard Tour of India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka, Paper Jewels is the story of postcards during the Raj and the first book on the subject  F. S. Aijazuddin in conversation with the author Omar Khan	Book Launch  Ghazal Cosmopolitan  A collection of lyrical essays, critical essays, original ghazals and qasidas including Ghazal's influence on the Spanish poet Federico Garcia Lorca)  Shadab Zeesht Hashmi  Moderator: Amra Raza, chair of the English Department, Punjab University	Reading in Multilingual Societies  Urdu literature is not bound by the artificial constraints of language  Sabyn Javeri in conversation with Francesca Orsini, noted literary historian working primarily with Urdu materials
1:15 - 2:15			LUNCH		
2:15 - 3:15	Us versus Them  Whose right it is anyway to migrate?  Becca Heller, Mohsin Hamid and Leila Aboulela  Moderated by Suzy Hansen	Asma Lives!  A celebration of a Pakistani icon whose legacy has helped shape human rights and activism in Pakistan  Nida Ali, I. A. Rehman, Seema Iftikhar and Gul Rukh Rahman  Moderated by Farida Shaheed	Doxiades's Ekistics in Pakistan: from the 1960s to today  Greek Architect Constantinos Doxiades designed the masterplan for the Korangi Township, Karachi and Islamabad (Federal Capital); we look at Doxiades's legacy and town planning today  Harvard University Prof. Spiro Pollalis with Shahid Zahid	Book Launches  Musings of a Nomad  Fifi Haroon in conversation with Aisha Farooqui  Beyond the Fields  Huma Ijaz in conversation with first-time author Ayesha Baqir	War Gardens  Author, journalist, and filmmaker Lalage Snow takes us on a journey through gardens in Afghanistan, Syria, Gaza, the West Bank which are tended to by civilians caught up in war landscapes  Moderated by Aysha Raja

### SUNDAY, FEB. 24, #LLF2019 / ALHAMRA ARTS CENTER, MALL ROAD

3:30 - 4:30	Manto and the Recovery of Historical Imagination Ayesha Jalal, Khaled Ahmed and Salima Hashmi  Moderated by Osama Siddique	The Country Without A Post Office  Kashmir through the Poetry of Agha Shahid Ali Introduction by Rachel Cooper  Christopher Merrill, Shadab Zeesht Hashmi, Mirza Waheed and Shaista Sirajuddin	Book Launch  Travels in a Derwish Cloak; Adventures in Pakistan  Journalist Isambard Wilkinson launches his book on travels through Pakistan, moderated by Victoria Schofield.  Panel: Isambard Wilkinson, Tahir Jahangir and Harriet Sandys	Modern Pasts, Connected Futures: Exploring the Progressive Artists of South Asia  Zehra Jumabhoy of the Courtauld Institute of Art, London, artist Taimur Hassan and Conor Macklin of the Grosvenor Gallery, London  Moderated by Samina Iqbal	Music, Literature and Performance in North India  Francesca Orsini and historian of Mughal Indian music Katherine Schofield  Moderated by Nasreen Rehman
4:45 - 5:45	Celebrating folk songs and ghazals from Multan and Southern Punjab with the Sitara-i-Imtiaz-decorated Suraiya Multanikar  Suraiya Multanikar and Rahat Multanikar  Moderated by Nasrullah Nasir	Reportage  Exploring non-fiction narratives  Ahmed Rashid, Suzy Hansen, and Rania Abouzeid  Moderated by Isambard Wilkinson	Eastern Encounters  Curating the Splendours of the Subcontinent  Summer 2018 saw the first exhibition at the Queen's Gallery, Buckingham Palace, dedicated to South Asian art in the Royal Collection. Curator Emily Hannam discusses the exhibition and the challenges and opportunities it presented.  Emily Hannam with F. S. Aijazuddin	Book Launches  The Mercurial Mr. Bhutto and other stories  Benazir Shah in conversation with Maheen Usmani  No Fortunes to Tell  Harris Khalique and Dr. Tariq Rahman  Moderated by Bilal Zahoor	Book Launch  The Women's Movement in Pakistan: Activism, Islam and Democracy  Ayesha Khan, Fareeda Shaheed and Kamran Asdar Ali  Moderated by Fauzia Vigar
6-7	Global Strongmen Globally, strongmen are assuming positions of power; a discussion of experiences of this phenomenon from USA, Sudan and the Middle East  Becca Heller, Rick Stroud Jamal Mahjoub and Zahid Hussain  Moderated by Owen Bennett-Jones	Air Quality, Climate Change and the Energy Challenge  A presentation by Michael Greenstone, an economist and the Milton Friedman Professor in Economics at the University of Chicago.	پنجا بی لوک گیت Ayesha Nadir Ali and Shafqat Hussain	Cities of Literature  UNESCO's Cities of Literature program and how its Heidelberg, Germany operations can be replicated in Lahore  In partnership with Goethe-Institut  Dr. Andrea Edel  Delivering Knowledge  How investing in technology can drive economic and societal development  University of Bradford Vice-Chancellor Brian Cantor	Swat: The Italian Connection  Amb. Stefano Pontecorvo in conversation with Prof. Ashraf Khan of the Quaid-i-Azam University

Introduction by Fahd Ali Asif

#### SUNDAY, FEB. 24, #LLF2019 / ALHAMRA ARTS CENTER, MALL ROAD



<sup>\*</sup>THIS PROGRAM IS TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE. FOR UPDATES, PLEASE VISIT LAHORELITFEST.COM



# lahore literary festival







