

Annex B: SWF 2016 at a glance

Total No. of Authors/Presenters/Performers	312
Singapore	233
International	79
Total No. of Programmes	352
Total No. of Festival Pass Programmes	140
Panel Discussions	102
Conference	1
Performances	4
Film Screenings	3
Meet-the-Authors	13
Literary Pioneer Events	1
Total No. of Ticketed Events	32
SWF Stage	12
SWF ³	5
SWF Class	11
SWF Beyond	7
Tours	2
Theatrical and Music performances	6
Total No. of Free Events	147
SWF Stage	1
SWF POP (including Secret Sayang sessions)	29
SWF ³	68
Book launches and Readings	49
Panel	7
Exhibitions	3

About Singapore Writers Festival

The Singapore Writers Festival, one of Asia's premier literary events, started in 1986 as a biennial festival. Now held yearly, the festival is a much anticipated event on the cultural calendar, presenting the world's major literary talents to Singaporeans while shining a spotlight on home grown creative talents.

The Singapore Writers Festival is one of the few multi-lingual literary festivals in the world, celebrating the written and spoken word in Singapore's official languages – English, Malay, Chinese and Tamil. Today the heart of the Festival District is located at the Civic District (Empress Place area) in The Arts House; and in other venues including Asian Civilisations Museum, National Gallery Singapore, Timbre Music Academy, Victoria Theatre and Concert Hall, National Library Building, Suntec Singapore Convention and Exhibition Centre, University Cultural Centre, Esplanade – Theatres on the Bay, Indian Heritage Centre, the National Museum of Singapore, the Singapore Art Museum and The National Library.

For more information, please visit www.singaporewritersfestival.com

About National Arts Council

The National Arts Council champions the arts in Singapore. By nurturing creative excellence and supporting broad audience engagement, we want to develop a distinctive global city for the arts. With a nod to tradition and an eye to the future, we cultivate accomplished artists and vibrant companies. Our support for the arts is comprehensive – from grants and partnerships to industry facilitation and arts housing. The Council welcomes greater private and corporate giving to and through the arts so that together we can make the arts an integral part of everyone's lives. For more information on the Council's mission and plans, please visit www.nac.gov.sg.

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