

2026 Festival Schedule of Events

Symbol Key: § Tell Your Story, ± Additional Cost

Yellow Highlights = Free Admission

Green Highlights = Listener's Pass

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2026

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| 4:00 - 5:00 | Meet the Tellers Welcome Reception — Alexander Rm |
| 5:00 | Festival Registration & Story Store Open — Concert Tent |
| 7:00 - 7:45 | Opening Welcome — Concert Tent Emcee Kaye Byrnes |
| 8:00 - 10:00 | Member Showcase Tonya Oxendine, Cora Newcomb, Katie Green |
| | Featured Tellers Concert — Concert Tent Megan Wells, Janel Woodland, George Otieno, Mij Byram, Michael Reno Harrell |
| 10:15 | § Ghost Stories Swap — Alexander Room Open Mic Story Swap — Emcee Walt Belcher |

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 2026

| | Alexander Room | Grandview Room | Donnelly Room | Concert Tent | Front Porch |
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| 9:00 - 10:30 | NSA Workshop: Ozols— Golden Moments | Workshop: Wells— Story Train! | Tell & Talk — Otieno, Byram, Woodland | 10—11:30 School Field Trip: K-5 | 10am— 1pm Front Porch Tellers |
| 1:00 - 2:30 | NSA Workshop: Marter— Monetize Your Message | Workshop: Harrell— Scary Ghost Stories | Workshop: Otieno — Song & Repetition in Story | | |
| 3:00 - 4:00 | § Tall Tales Liars Contest —Concert Tent, Emcee Pat Nease | | | | |
| 4:00 - 5:30 | § Swapping Grounds — Concert Tent, Emcee Walt Belcher | | | | |
| 7:00 - 9:00 | Featured Tellers Concert — Concert Tent Emcee Carrie Sue Ayvar Janel Woodland, Michael Reno Harrell, Mij Byram, George Otieno, Megan Wells | | | | |
| 9:15 - 10:00 | Florida Fringe Program | | | | |
| | Alexander Room Amanda Lawrence | Grandview Room Lona Bartlett | Donnelly Room Cora Newcomb | | |
| 10:15 | § Adult Story Swap (18+) — Alexander Rm, Emcee Bobby Wesley | | | | |

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 2026

| | Alexander Room | Grandview Room | Donnelly Room | Concert Tent | Front Porch |
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| 7:00 - 8:30 | ± On Your Own / Breakfast Social — Beauclaire Dining Rm | | | | |
| 9:00 - 10:30 | Workshop: Harrell— Humor in Family Stories | Workshop: Byram— The Youngest Listeners | | 9am—10am Showcase: Wells, Woodland, Otieno | 10am— 1pm Front Porch Tellers |
| 11:00 - Noon | § Story Social Circle — Alexander Rm | | | | |
| 1:00 - 2:30 | Workshop: Wells— Game On!!! | Workshop: Woodland —Table to Stage | Workshop for Youthful Voices | 1pm—2pm Showcase: Otieno, Byram, Harrell | |
| 3:00—4:00 | Awards & Membership Meeting — Concert Tent | | | | |
| 4:00 - 5:30 | § Swapping Grounds — Concert Tent, Emcee Walt Belcher | | | | |
| 7:00 - 7:45 | Youthful Voices Concert — Concert Tent Emcee Andy Russell Lilly Baldwin, Payton Kuhn, Marlee Porter, Mitchell Yancey, Ahaana Tewari, Maddie Valenta | | | | |
| 8:00 - 10:00 | Family Night, Featured Tellers Concert — Concert Tent Michael Reno Harrell, Mij Byram, Megan Wells, George Otieno, Janel Woodland | | | | |
| 10:15 - 11:30 | § Florida Story Slam — Alexander Room Theme "I hate to say this..." - Emcee Wanda Violet | | | | |

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026

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| 9:00 - 11:30 | Stories from the Heart Concert — Concert Tent Emcee Cathy Fyock Member Showcase Megan Markham, JD Adler, Judi Tarowsky Featured Tellers George Otieno, Megan Wells, Janel Woodland, Michael Reno Harrell, Mij Byram |
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