

2023 Venice Book Fair and Writer's Festival Newsletter November 2022

We are happy to announce that we have been granted permission by the City of Venice to use Blalock Park for the 11th annual Venice Book Fair. The Venice Book fair will

take place on Saturday, March 25, 2023. We can accommodate 60 authors on a first come first served basis.

We are offering early registration to last year's participants starting now. Registration form attached. Registration will open to the public after December 31, 2022. Tents reserved before January 31, 2022 will cost \$150.00. Tents reserved February 1, 2023 and later will cost \$175.00 if available. Refunds will be made for cancellations prior to February 28, 2023 subject to an admin fee of \$25.00.

Each 10 X 10 foot tent may be used by 1-2 authors and will include an 8 foot table and 2 chairs. Authors must provide their own table coverings and booth identification.

For your convenience, we will provide food trucks, picnic tables, and portable restrooms on site.

Additionally, this year we are hoping to have story time throughout the day by our registered Children's authors, face painting, and perhaps a clown making balloon animals. A fun day is planned and increased advertising will be done. There is plenty of parking east of Nassau Street in lots north and south of the Venice Museum in East Blalock Bark. As in past years, we will have students to assist you with transporting books to and from your car.

The Writer's Festival will be held on Friday, March 24, 2023 at the William H. Jervey Jr. Venice Public Library on 300 S. Nokomis Ave. from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Register to attend at Venicebookfair.com website. We can accommodate up to 130 participants. Cost is \$20.00 for the entire day. Plans are underway for a wonderful panel of presenters. More information will follow.

Mission Statement: To present a sustainable cultural event in Venice, with the net proceeds going to Venice Heritage Inc.

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Proceeds from the fair accrue to Venice Heritage, Inc, the 501(C)3 fundraising organization that supports the Venice Museum & Archives and the restoration of the Lord-Higel House, the oldest existing home in Venice, as an early settler museum.

The book fair website will also carry event details at www.venicebookfair.com

We look forward to seeing your talents once again at the Venice Book Fair in March 2023! Please register early to ensure your spot.

We welcome all volunteers willing to help with the Writer's Festival & Book Fair. I am happy to answer any questions at

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