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 **[NAME] to Participate in 1455 Summer Festival**

***Free Virtual Event Convenes July 14-16, 2022***

Winchester, Va. – July [day], 2022 – 1455 Literary Arts has announced that [NAME], author [or other descriptor such as artist or journalist] of [BOOK NAMES], will speak at the 1455 Summer Festival, the organization’s free and accessible virtual event, as part of a session entitled [SESSION NAME] on [DATE] at [TIME EDT]. Now in its third year, the 1455 Summer Festival is one of the most comprehensive storytelling experiences in the world, dedicated to cultivating creativity and building community, bringing together artists, writers, performers, musicians and poets of all ages to share in the creative process and to celebrate the art of storytelling.

“The 1455 Summer Festival is, by design, unique and inclusive, and stands apart from strictly literary events as a free and dynamic experience; anyone can find a topic of interest and drop in on intimate conversations among some of today’s hottest creative thinkers and powerful storytellers on the rise,” said Sean Murphy, Executive Director of 1455 Literary Arts. “We constantly seek out diverse talent and our goal is to facilitate meaningful connections and insight into what storytelling means. The conversations will focus on the craft of telling stories, how they do it, why they do it, the struggles and triumphs, and everything in between.”

Artist/Author/Musician (pick one) of [BOOK], [NAME] is [insert short bio, including information about past books, awards, accolades, etc.]. [insert short summary of book/project].

According to [NAME], “[Quote from a review, interview, etc. about your work of art, book, performance.]”

[NAME] will participate in the panel entitled “[SESSION NAME]”, which will discuss [insert description]. [NAME] will be joined by [names of other authors included in the program, if any]. Specific information about the 1455 Summer Festival, including extensive information on all the programming and participating authors and a registration link can be found at [1455litarts.org/summerfest](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2F1455litarts.org%2Fsummerfest&data=04%7C01%7C%7Cdfbacac2d96f4899d5c708d935b74a91%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637599883619561169%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=n3%2F7fY6%2BBB6d%2FpZwBuFfEM%2Bul9Cx1SFmT3TF39Aoic4%3D&reserved=0).

**About The 1455 Summer Festival**

The 1455 Summer Festival is one of the most comprehensive storytelling experiences in the world. The event is, by design, a no-cost, accessible, and inclusive forum for literary and creative arts enthusiasts to enjoy a broad spectrum of content presented by acclaimed writers and other craftspeople in the literary arts. Taking place virtually from July 14-16, 2022, the 1455 Summer Festival offers storytelling experiences, interviews, conversations, and deep dives into craft across fiction, non-fiction, poetry, and multimedia. The 1455 Summer Festival, now in its third year, is presented by 1455 Literary Arts, an independent nonprofit organization whose mission is to advance the art and craft of storytelling to build a dynamic, innovative community. For more information, visit: [https://1455litarts.org/](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.globenewswire.com%2FTracker%3Fdata%3D68cFOLE6uK-KtrGAa4gpPnFBfYvpwSz_dn5EIodwNSHIfY4vIcSADgCBZi4fteatwzD57Ot41klJIKVadD-M4VIMFku30icYNvg0HoaGz28%3D&data=04%7C01%7C%7C60814e22d3054468dc5e08d9380cfde4%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637602450714699072%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=jmneUykbqERiNtQmRExKBUZ6HjGaeDAELnLVRZPqrz0%3D&reserved=0) [Facebook;](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.globenewswire.com%2FTracker%3Fdata%3DEPllLdJN0YP9kximE95QQst4vAeHDqSoGOhp9NxCJ7NXBetk6wBm7l929t2b_Y3z2mhncgGBWWQ08pa3XTjQ4E2f8cNNnEl5qGFqa9HxBYs%3D&data=04%7C01%7C%7C60814e22d3054468dc5e08d9380cfde4%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637602450714709028%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=AaGBYVnCO68JPSODSYALrZAWL8bBms2plEQ4OkYBfUc%3D&reserved=0) [Twitter](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.globenewswire.com%2FTracker%3Fdata%3D5JkzaGi-8ZLW0DTYN6IMkATVXGdSwLbnow9Ap1fCfarwHMCZq7nZiu7qDL9FZQXmeWPi7IM-_ippUrWQ1ledlg%3D%3D&data=04%7C01%7C%7C60814e22d3054468dc5e08d9380cfde4%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637602450714718986%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=6lAoTjINoPGtlnBxkaSuc3LP7zbgNI59KxxFtCCrTZk%3D&reserved=0); [Instagram](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.globenewswire.com%2FTracker%3Fdata%3D5EH16TMecWRkLu6fTRKdf9mniLYUhW7yOmmwUgyY28GZVwps5yZYCtMfTxoy5x6rYl1wU17-uQ1AraFboUYG06ZIWW8j-VN3ih9npI3CrnQ%3D&data=04%7C01%7C%7C60814e22d3054468dc5e08d9380cfde4%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637602450714718986%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=aV2k1ZEG5GnE6mjT7ZAaZpRkmVs%2BmNixEp%2FDv6Ms6PE%3D&reserved=0); [YouTube](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.globenewswire.com%2FTracker%3Fdata%3Dj1N0E89O6nou6pI1_ty6QY71jlcqMr_CUwQXffBtbBMAnMeZyltMd9noUXBCcelkEbGcQxXGmbf92eRc1D7M8PTb7Kz8JC_ipRBqzKmvBsYARhTGU4mAREfZpD2fvSEd&data=04%7C01%7C%7C60814e22d3054468dc5e08d9380cfde4%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637602450714728941%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=1458PIBEZIDvqWNP%2FQTV7xg82FVIzjjNZ%2FREXZOj42g%3D&reserved=0).

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